



Make your own Pinecone Pals



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You will need:

- *Pine cones*
- *String*
- *Felt*
- *Googly eyes*
- *Sponge*
- *Scissors*
- *Glue*
- *Leaves*



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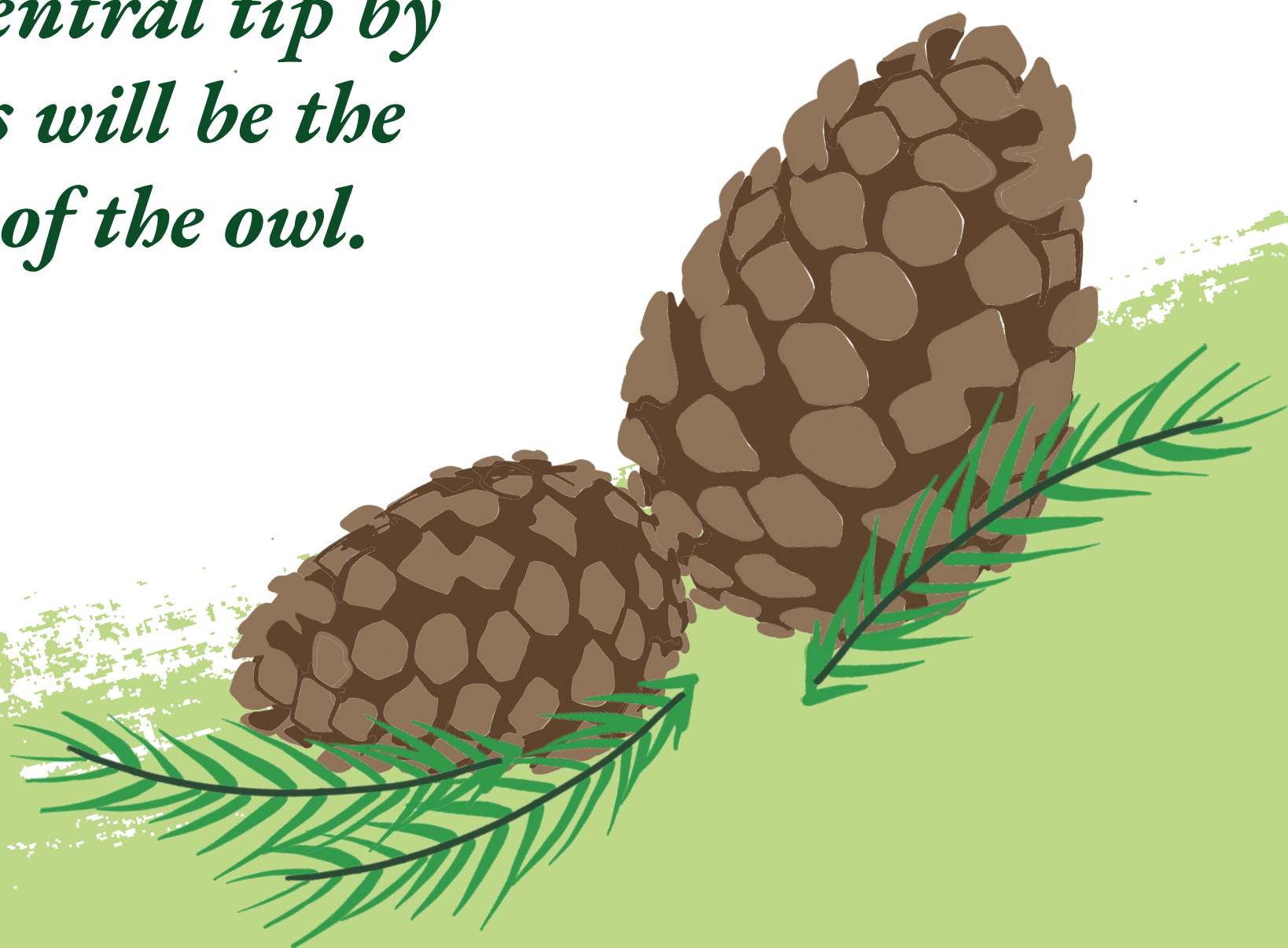
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Step 1:

Find a pinecone, bend and flatten the tips of the cone over at about a third of the way up. Discard the woody central tip by snapping it off. This will be the feathers at the head of the owl.





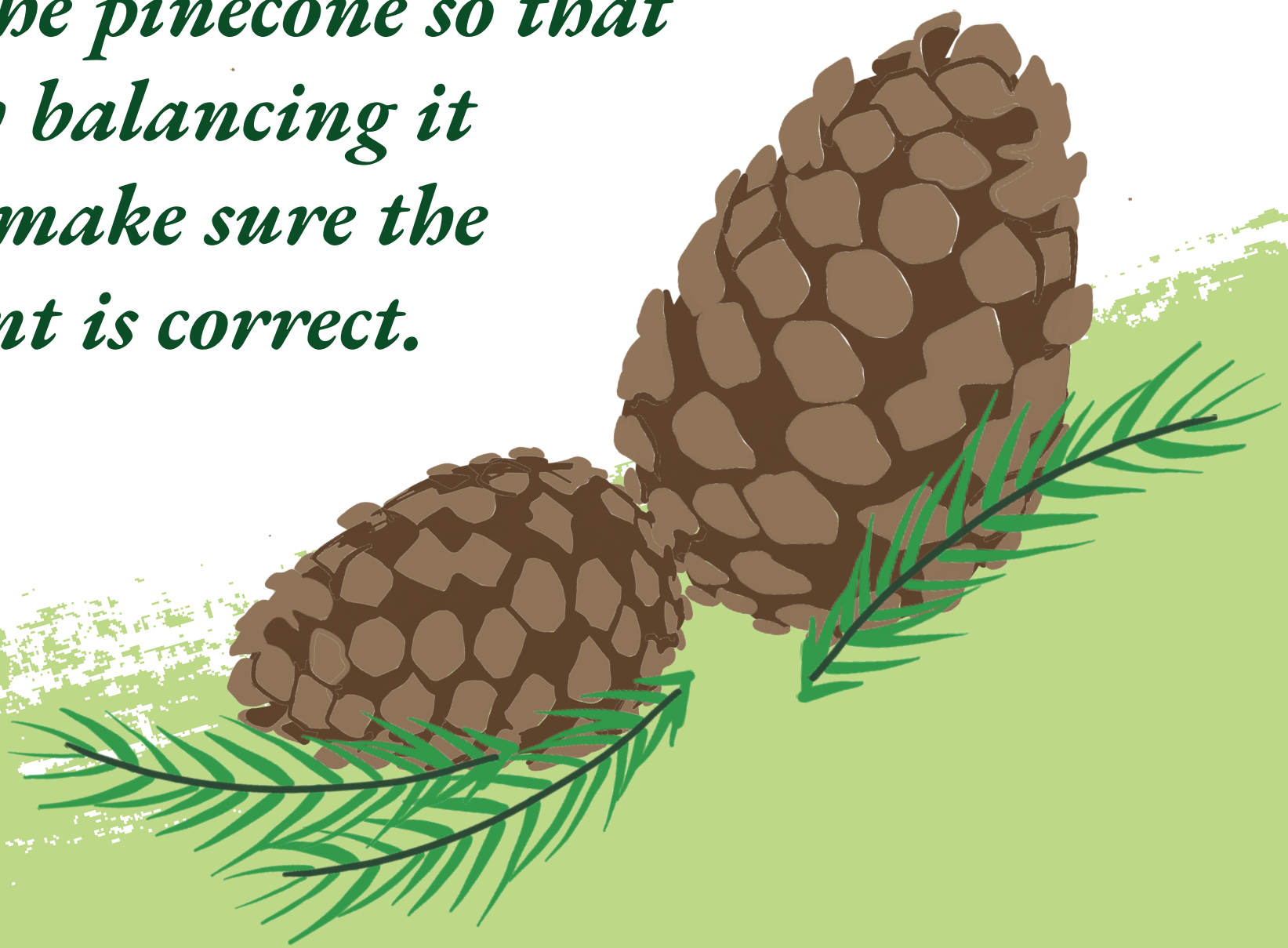
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Step 2:

If you want to hang your owl as a decoration, tie a piece of string or ribbon from either side about half-way up the pinecone so that it creates a loop. Try balancing it from your finger to make sure the weight and placement is correct.





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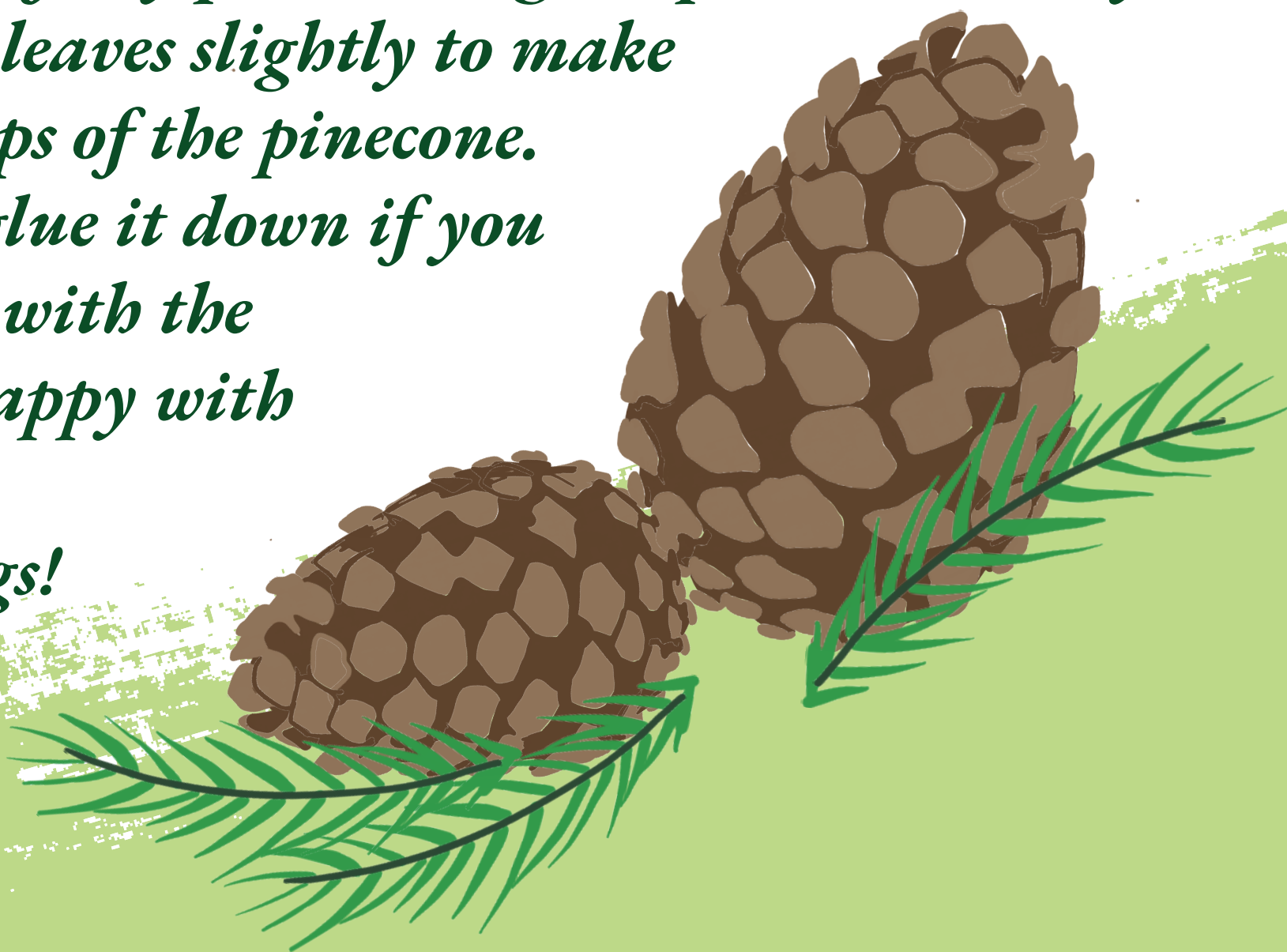
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Step 3:

Find two fallen leaves in autumnal colours and cut them about half-way, discarding the ends with the stem. Insert the leaves at the cut-end into the pinecone just in front of the string or ribbon, or just either side of the halfway point along the pinecone's body. You may need to bend the leaves slightly to make them work through the gaps of the pinecone. Make sure it feels secure, glue it down if you feel it's too loose, but play with the positioning until you're happy with the character.

They should look like wings!





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Step 4 & 5:

Add two discs of felt next to each other in the centre of the cone, between the two wings. If you don't have a disc already, just cut a larger piece of felt to the size and shape you want. Glue the discs down. Cream coloured felt is best but play around with natural colours.

Step 5: Glue two googly eyes to the felt!





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Step 6 & 7:

Cut the tip of a yellow sponge and glue it just underneath and between the meeting point of the two felt discs. Try to squeeze the sponge together to give it more shape when you glue it down. This will be the beak.

Step 7: Wait for the glue to dry and hang the decoration from your tree!

