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## Heroic carrier pigeons!

During the First and Second World Wars, trained pigeons played a vital role. They carried important messages in little canisters attached to their legs. Often these messages contained calls for help when soldiers were injured, so speed was very important! Luckily, pigeons can cover vast distances very quickly. The pigeons were well looked after and many soldiers became fond of their feathery friends. Some were even awarded the Dickin medal, a military honour for animals.



Coo, What brave birds!

### Treat your feathered friends to a yummy seedy snack

What you need:

- 1 toilet roll inner tube
- A length of string
- A stick
- Peanut butter
- Mixed bird seed



Carefully, cut or poke holes in the sides of the tube. This is to attach the string and stick. Smear the outside of the tube in peanut butter then sprinkle on the mixed seeds.

Hang your bird feeder in the garden or your local park or woodland.

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