

MUDPIES & Tiaras

GOOD OLD FASHIONED FUN WITH GUILLOW'S TOY AIRPLANES *GIVEAWAY* (US) 5/11



There's nothing like Springtime to make you want to get outside. I love it when the weather warms up and my kids can get out and get some fresh air. It also provides a much needed break from video games, tv, and other electronics. I enjoy giving my kids toys that don't require batteries and electricity. Often times, simple, old fashioned toys can provide the most fun. [Guillow's toy airplanes](#) do just that. These easy to assemble airplanes are perfect for an afternoon of fun in the backyard or at the park. I received a variety of the build-it-yourself kits to try out with our boys.

We tried out the Space Shuttle foam plane first. My 13 year old had it ready to go in just a couple of minutes. It had a rubber band launcher that allowed it to fly really far.



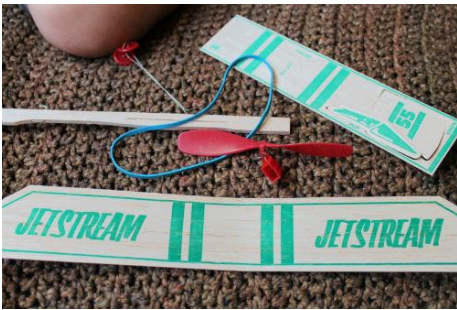
The boys had a lot of fun seeing who could launch it the farthest.

The Sky Raider foam plane also flew pretty far although it doesn't have the rubber band launcher. It has a 2-foot wingspan and can even do loops.

The smaller foam planes were great for my younger boys since they didn't require any assembly other than attaching the included stickers.



The Balsa Wood Gliders required a little more assembly. The sections are made from very thin pieces of wood so you need to be a little careful when you're putting them together. The kits are recommended for kids 8 and up and I definitely agree with this at least when it comes to assembly. My 5-year old tried to put one together when I wasn't watching and broke one of the pieces. All of the boys had fun flying them though. The Jetstream plane was their favorite. It's powered by a rubber band that you tighten by twisting the propeller.



When you release the propeller, the plan takes off and soars!

The Jetfire and Eagle planes both have metal pieces on the nose of the aircraft to help them fly farther and prevent breakage when they land.

My kids had a fantastic time with their planes! We really enjoyed watching them have fun with simple, non-electronic toys. My hubby had just as much fun as the kids and said it brought back memories from his childhood.

You can find Guillow's wide range of build-it-yourself kits at hobby shops and online at sites like [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). Prices start at just \$1.79!

