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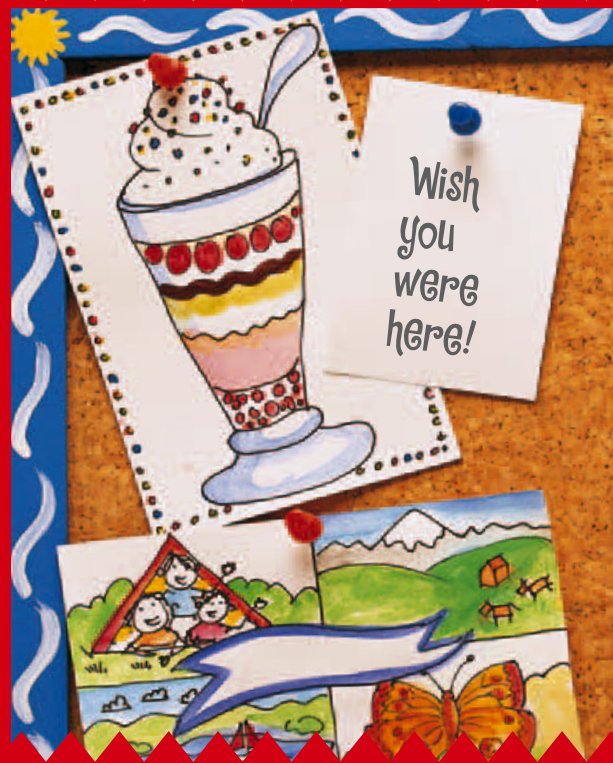
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# Your holiday activity kit



Pack up your pens! Be prepared for some creative fun on your holiday – make your own kit.



## What's in the kit?

Here are a few essentials you could pack for lots of creative fun.



Mini paints and pencils can save space.

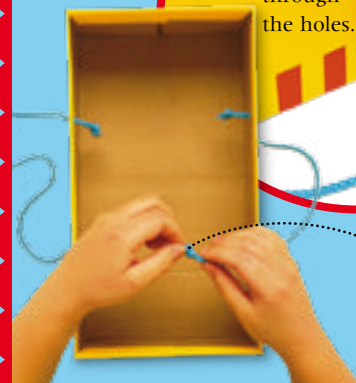
## Make a kit box

YOU WILL NEED:

A box (a shoe box is ideal), coloured paper, thin card, and cord.



## Add handles



The larger pads of paper will fit on the top.



### Cover up

Wrap your box in paper – wrapping paper works well.

You could stick on pictures from magazines or paint the box instead.



### Decorate

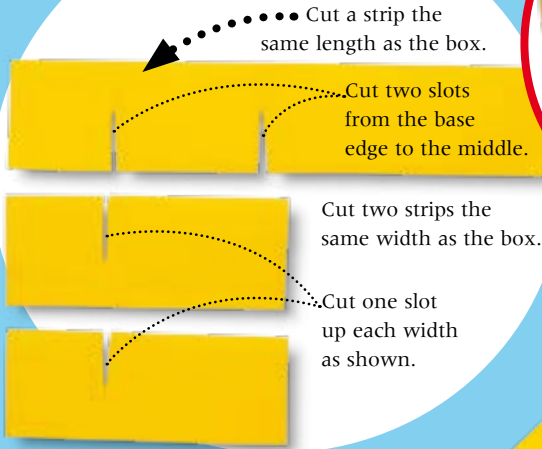
Use coloured paper to make some patterns.

Design a pattern for the lid, draw it on paper, and glue it in place.



### Add some dividers

Use thin card to make dividers.



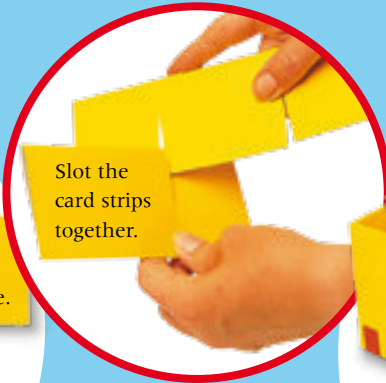
Cut a strip the same length as the box.

Cut two slots from the base edge to the middle.

Cut two strips the same width as the box.

Cut one slot up each width as shown.

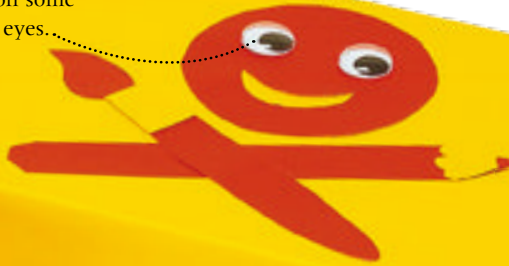
Slot the card strips together.



Slide the dividers into position.

### Pack and go!

Stick on some shaky eyes.



If you can't find cord, use some shoe laces.

Have a good trip!



# Fold-away game mats

Anywhere and everywhere – make a game mat that folds up neatly in your box.



Your mat will need to fold up small enough to fit in your box.



You can use anything as counters, even your snacks!

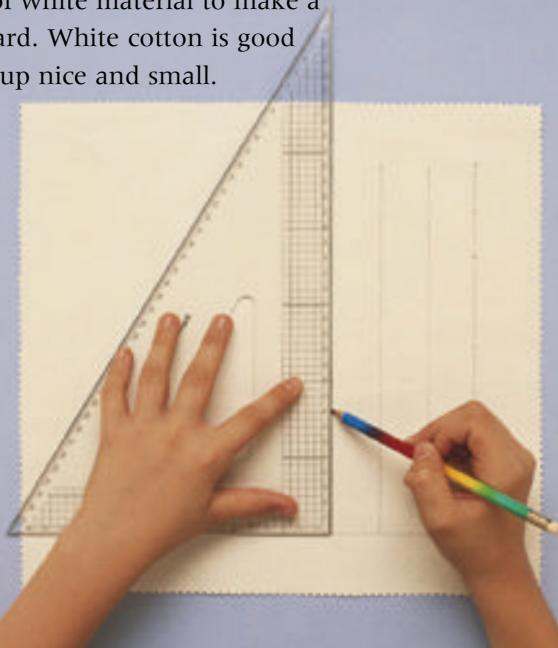


## Fold-up game board

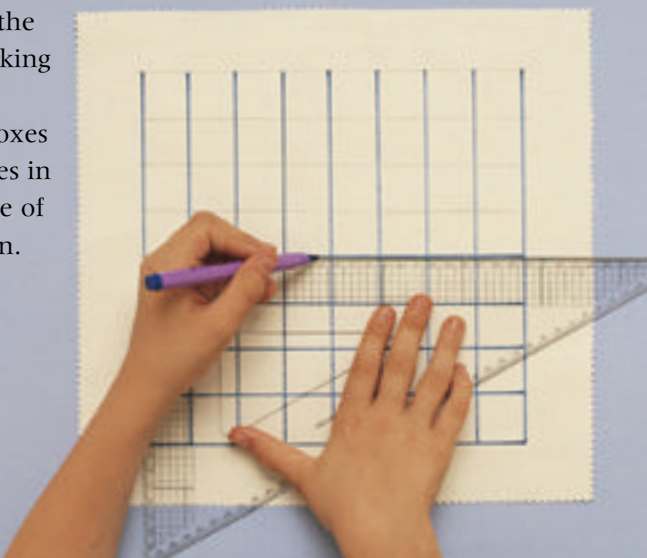
Find a piece of white material to make a fold-away board. White cotton is good as it will fold up nice and small.

Cut out a piece of white cotton, 30 cm by 30 cm (12 in by 12 in).

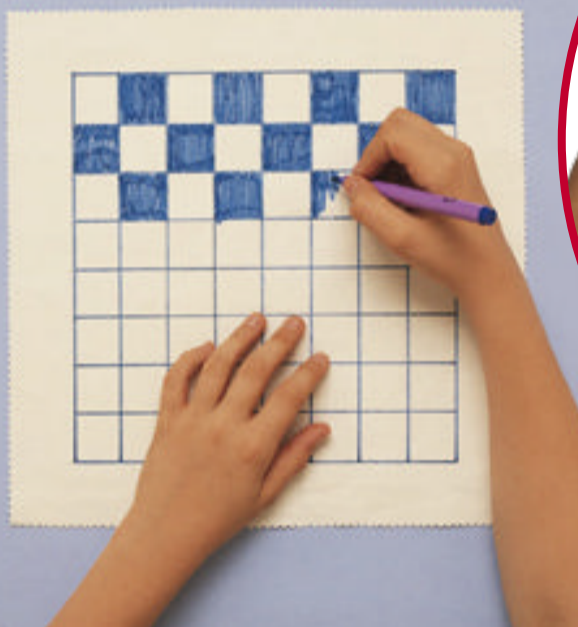
With a ruler mark out every 2.5 cm (1 in) across and down.



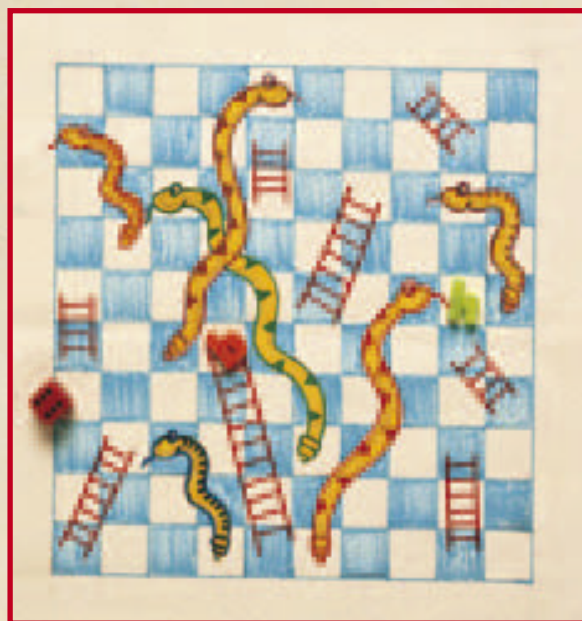
Draw in the lines, making sure you have 8 boxes by 8 boxes in the centre of the cotton.



Colour in every other square. No coloured square should be next to another coloured square.



## Snakes and ladders

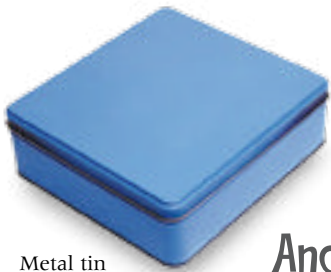


Your board can be adapted to snakes and ladders, draughts, chess, or any other board game. Just cut out felt shapes to suit your game.

## Ready to play?

Make sure you learn the rules of the game you choose to play, then unfold the mat and play away!





Metal tin

# Sticky play tin

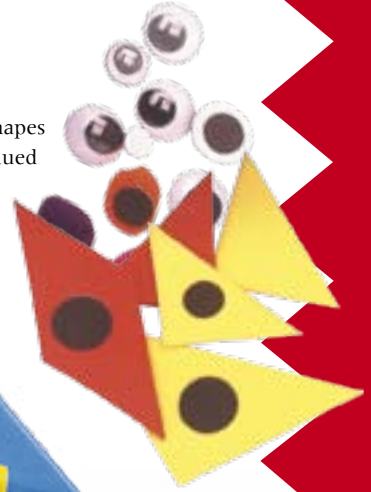
Another portable game box – this time full of sticky games that will stay in place when you're on the move. Pack up your tin, get sticky, and get playing!

## Why use a tin container?

Magnets will stick to the lid of a metal tin, such as an old biscuit tin. You can make pictures and write messages and they won't slide around.

Fridge magnet letters and numbers

Foam or card shapes with magnets glued to the back.

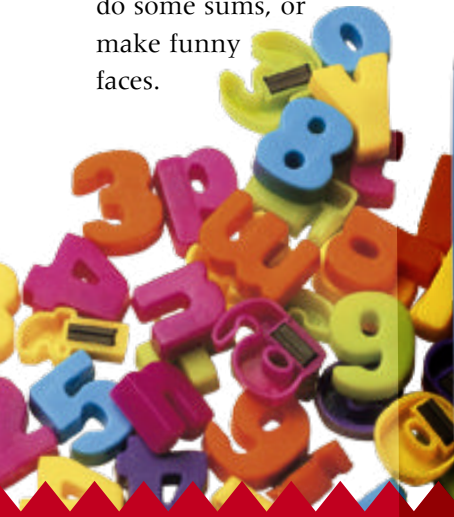




What's in the tin?

### Letter and number magnets

Write a message, play a word game, do some sums, or make funny faces.



### Felt shapes

Furry felt shapes are great for making pictures. Turn over the page for some shape ideas.

### Inside the tin lid

Glue a piece of felt to the inside of the tin lid. You can then make pictures out of felt pieces.



### Lap top

Open your tin when you're on the move or on the beach!

## It's full of bits in boxes

Keep your bits and bobs together by finding small boxes that will fit neatly into your tin. They'll keep your tin neat and tidy.



### Fold-away game mat

Here's the perfect place to store your game mat.



# Sticky Furry Felts



Felt sticks really well to felt so you can make felt pictures without them sliding away – perfect for moving vehicles.



Dab glue in each corner.



Your felt shapes will stick to this surface.

## 1 Inside the tin lid

Cut a piece of felt to fit inside your tin lid and glue in place.

## 2 Glue it flat

Now you have a non-slip surface to place your shapes on.



Cut circles, squares, flowers, leaves, and any other shapes you can think of.

## 3 Cut out shapes

Now all you need to do is cut out lots and lots of felt shapes.



Keep the shapes in a box and store it in your tin.



# Now make a picture

## Cut out a tangram

Use the template opposite to cut out your tangram shapes.



Felt squares

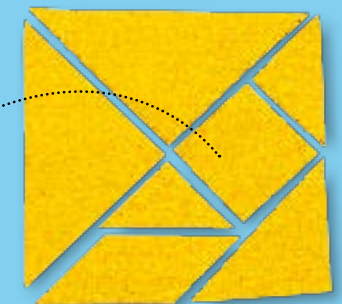
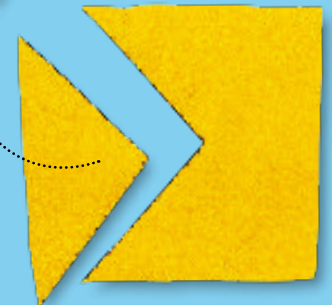
Draw the lines of the template onto a square of thin card.

Cut along all of the lines.

Now put each shape on a square of felt and draw around it.

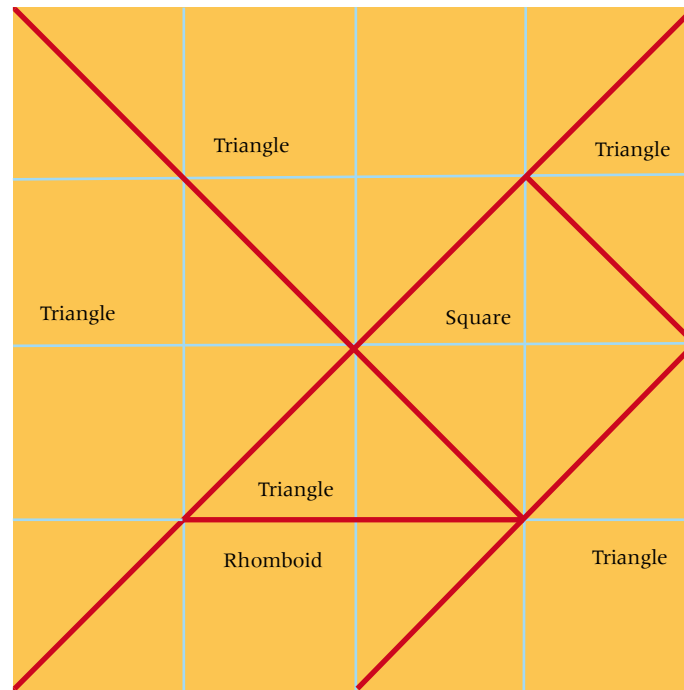
Cut the shape out.

Repeat with all the shapes.



# Tangrams

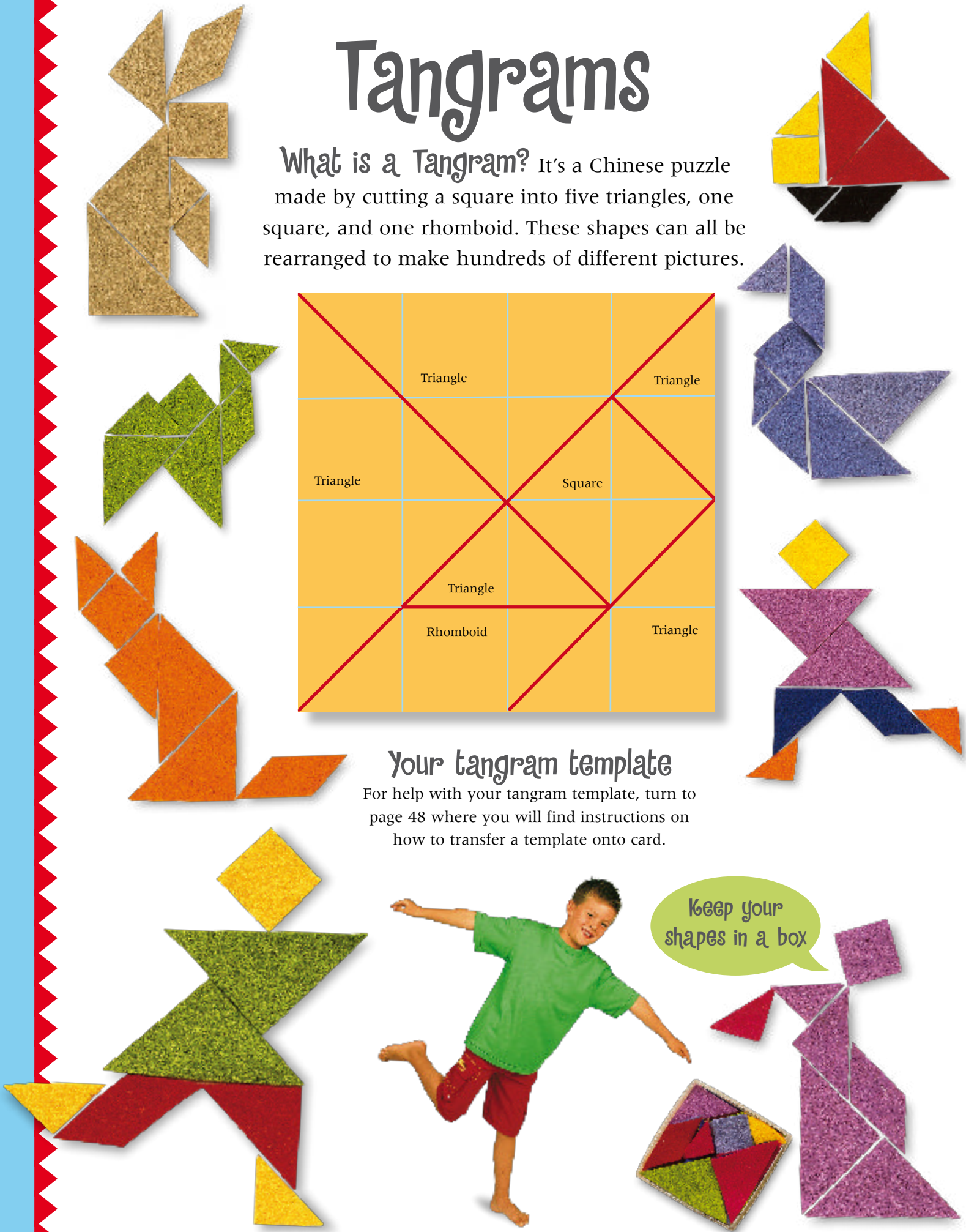
**What is a Tangram?** It's a Chinese puzzle made by cutting a square into five triangles, one square, and one rhomboid. These shapes can all be rearranged to make hundreds of different pictures.



## Your tangram template

For help with your tangram template, turn to page 48 where you will find instructions on how to transfer a template onto card.

Keep your shapes in a box



# Food on the *move*...

Pack-up some fast food for a long journey. Bite-sized snacks like grapes, nuts, and vegetable sticks all boxed up in airtight tubs are just right when you're peckish.

## Foody travel tips

- Don't take too much sugary or salty food.
- Fresh vegetables and fruit are more refreshing.
- Feeling travel sick? Try ginger – it's good for your digestion and may settle your stomach.

*Crumbs!*  
*We're on our way!!*





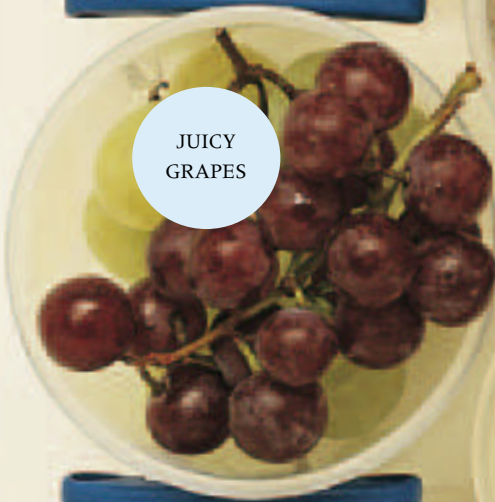
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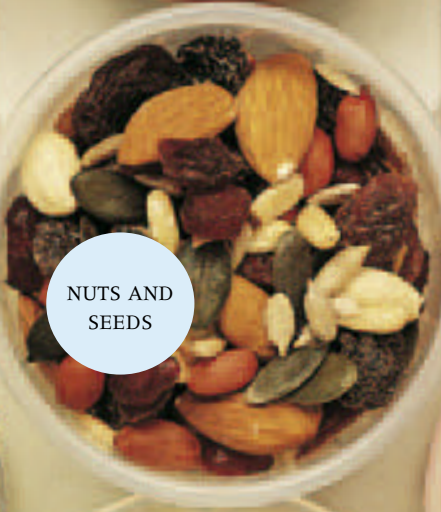
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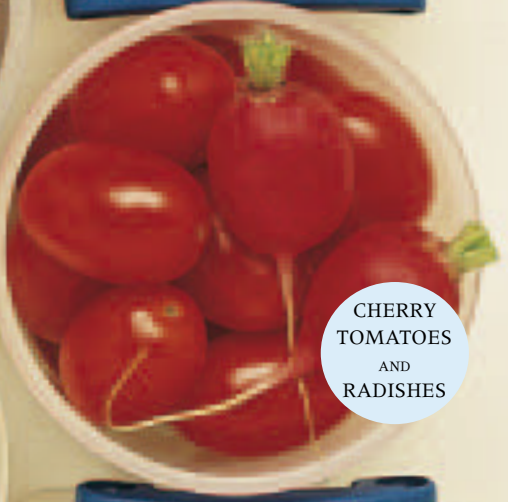
ROUGH TRACK OAT BARS



JUICY GRAPES



NUTS AND SEEDS



CHERRY TOMATOES AND RADISHES

**Bite-sized**  
Small pieces of food are sometimes all you need to keep you going on a long journey. After all, if you're cooped-up in a car you won't need lots of extra energy.

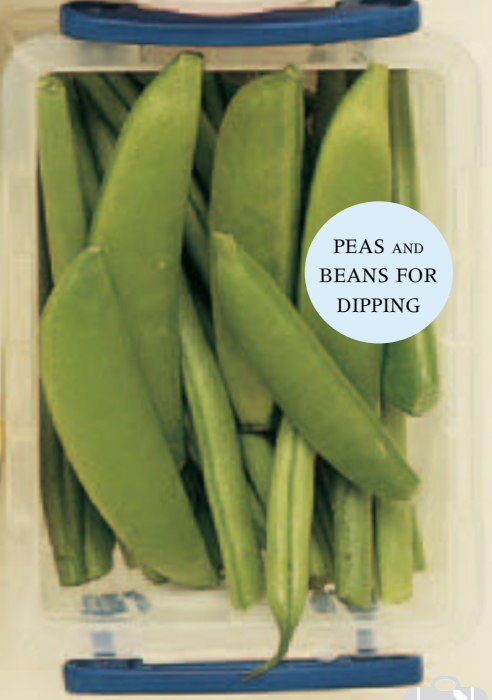
SAVOURY CHEESE DIPS



CARROT AND CUCUMBER STICKS




PRETZELS AND CORN SNACKS



PEAS AND BEANS FOR DIPPING

# Gingersnaps

 Makes 16 biscuits

## Into a bowl goes:

- 100 g (4 oz) self-raising flour
- 40 g (1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> oz) granulated sugar
- 1 tsp ground ginger
- 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 50 g (2 oz) butter

Put all the ingredients into a mixing bowl.

Rub it together using your fingertips.

2 tablespoons golden syrup

Use your hands to squeeze the mixture into a ball.

Set the oven to  
190°C, 375°F,  
Gas mark 5

**1 Rub it together** then add the syrup **2 Make a big ball**

# Travel tubs

**Air-tight** containers will keep your food fresh throughout a journey and will stop anything from spilling out.



# Rough track oat bars

 Makes 24 bars

## Into a saucepan goes:

- 50 g (2 oz) soft brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons golden syrup
- 75 g (3 oz) butter

Put the sugar, syrup, and butter into a saucepan.

Heat the pan and mix together as the butter melts.

200 g (8 oz) rolled oats

Add the oats.

Ask an adult to help with the hot pan.

Keep stirring until the oats are mixed in.

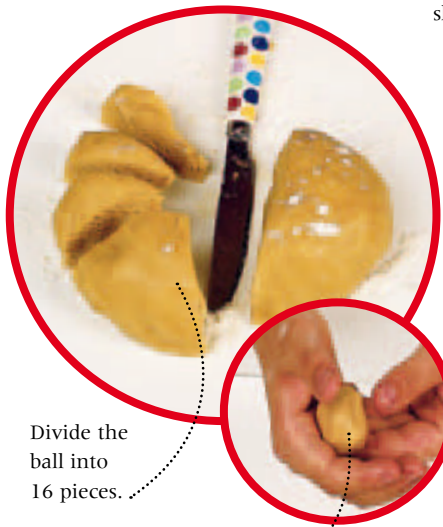
Set the oven to  
190°C, 375°F,  
Gas mark 5

**TURN OFF THE HEAT!**

**1 Melt it down**

**2 Add the oats**





Divide the ball into 16 pieces.

Roll each piece into a ball.

Non-stick baking sheet.



Place the balls on the baking sheet and press them down with a fork.

Ask an adult to help with the oven.

Bake for 10–15 minutes  
You may need to cook them in two batches. When they are done let them cool down on a rack.

### 3 Make into small balls

### 4 Squash them

### 5 Bake them



Load up the beans, we're off!



Pour into a non-stick baking tin – about 20 x 30 cm (8 x 12 in).



Press the mixture down and out to the edges.

Use the back of the spoon.



Cut into bars while still slightly warm.

When they have cooled, remove the oat bars.

Ask an adult to help with the oven.

Bake for 20 minutes.

### 3 Tip into a pan

### 4 Press it down

### 5 Bake and cut

# Crunchy holiday postcards

## Cookie postcard

Bake some yummy shortbread cookies, have fun painting your holiday scenes on them, and give them to a friend.

## Ink you can eat!

Use food colouring just like ink to paint your pictures onto your cookies.



Red...



yellow...



green...



blue.

# Making the cookies

Makes 8–10 cookies



150 g  
(6 oz)  
plain  
flour

Set the oven  
to 170°C,  
325°F,  
Gas mark 3



100 g  
(4 oz)  
butter



50 g  
(2 oz)  
caster  
sugar



## 1 Rub it together

Put all the ingredients in the bowl and rub them together with your fingers until the mixture is crumbly.



Sprinkle flour onto the surface to stop it sticking.

## 2 Roll it out

Squeeze the mixture into a ball. Sprinkle flour on the table and roll out the dough to 5 mm (1/4 in) thick.



## 3 Cut into rectangles

Use a knife to cut the dough into rectangles. Collect up the leftovers and roll them out again.



## 4 Place on the tray

Grease a baking sheet then carefully transfer the dough onto it. The cookies are now ready for the oven.



## 5 Bake then cool down

Bake in the oven for 10–15 minutes.

Ask an adult to help with the oven.

Let the cookies cool on a wire rack.

## Paint your cookies

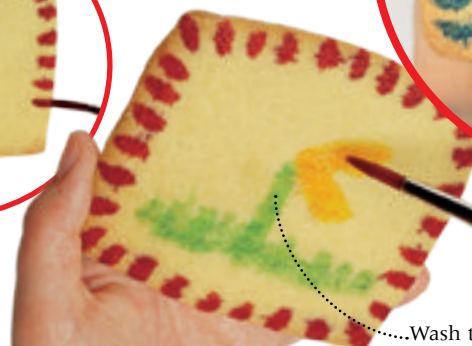
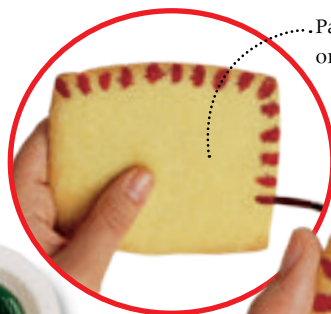
When the cookies have cooled down they are ready for painting. Remember to keep your brush clean.

Paint directly onto the cookie.

Pour drops of food colouring into a palette.

Wash the brush with water each time you change colour.

Wish you were here!



Pour some fruit juice into an empty pot.



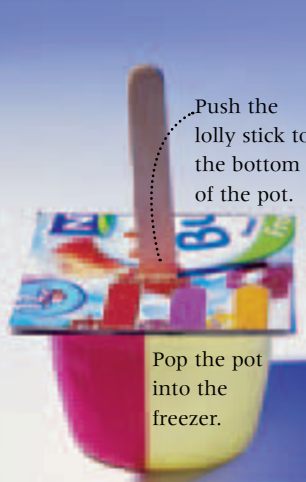
Reuse small dessert pots.

Push a lolly stick through a piece of card.



The card will keep the stick upright.

Push the lolly stick to the bottom of the pot.



Pop the pot into the freezer.



Try making lots of different flavours.

## Drink on a stick

Squeeze and freeze! Buy some fruit juice or squeeze your own, then freeze it into refreshing lollies.

Be patient, it will take at least six hours to freeze. If you can, leave it overnight.

Take the cardboard off and pull it out of the pot – a delicious lolly.

# Keeping cool

"Phew! It's a hot day, I could do with something delicious to cool me down." Look no further, these icy creations are perfect for a hot day or a long journey.



Blueberries

Black and green grapes

Strawberries

Redcurrants

Lemonade

Plastic spoon

Plastic cup

Put the fruit and a spoon in a plastic cup and fill with lemonade.

## Frozen fizzy fruit cups

Use fresh fruit and lemonade for these fizzy fruit ices.

Cut some thin card to fit the top of the cup.

Push the spoon through a hole in the card.

Carefully put it in to the freezer overnight until it's solid.

Fresh fruit

REMEMBER Keep the card on the pot until you are ready to eat the ice.

Keep the cup so when the lolly melts you can eat the fruit with the spoon.

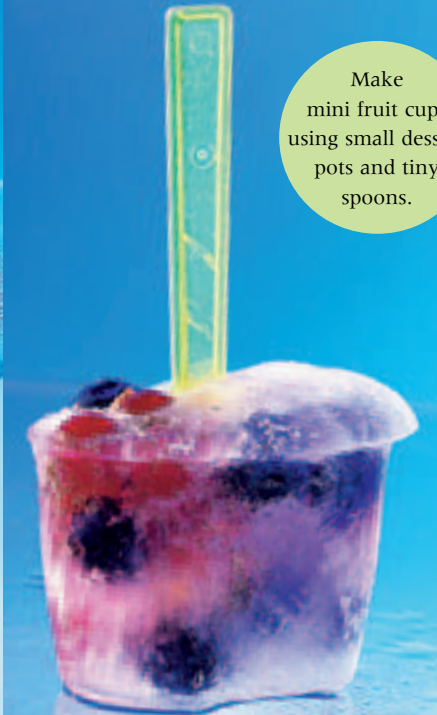


## Cool for long journeys

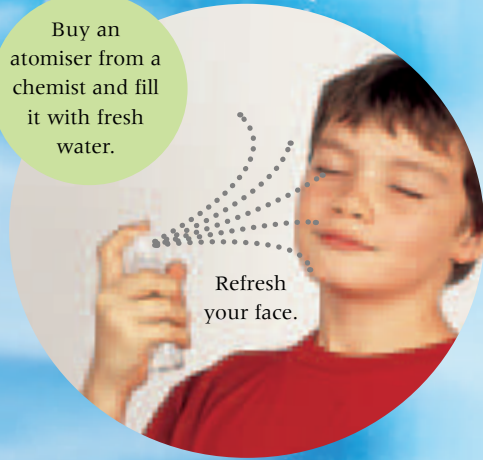
Put a bottle of water or juice in the freezer overnight. Take it out just before your journey and it will keep cool for most of the day.



Make mini fruit cups using small dessert pots and tiny spoons.



Buy an atomiser from a chemist and fill it with fresh water.



Refresh your face.

### Frozen fruit drinks





# Stencil your style

Personalize your stuff.  
Choose a motif, cut out a  
stencil, and print, print,  
print – it's as easy as that!

# Print matching sets



Make large and small stencils.

Holiday kit box

## Stencil everything!

Once you have decided on your design, you can stencil lots and lots of things from notebooks and boxes to bags and caps.

Backpack



Notebook



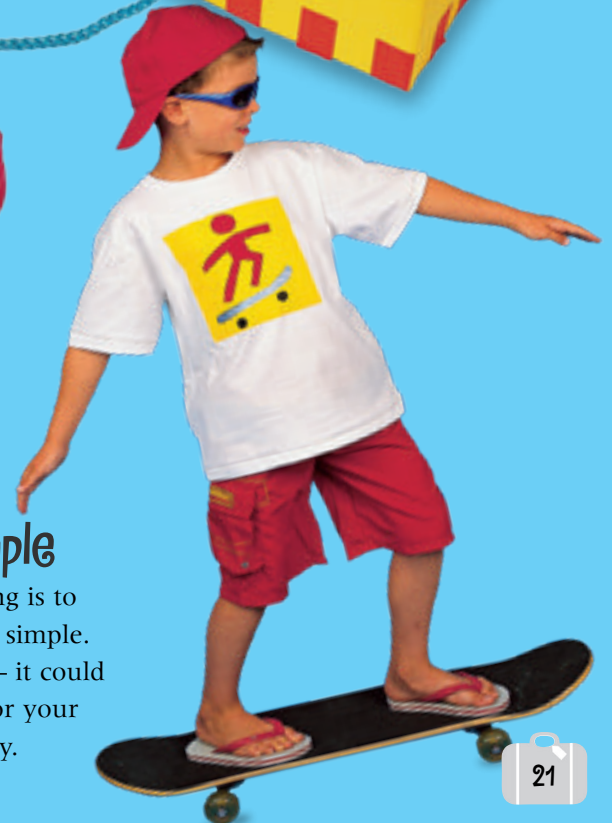
Hat



Use a smaller version of your design.

## Keep it simple

The trick to stencilling is to keep the designs very simple. Create your own logo – it could be a holiday theme or your favourite activity.





## Prepare your shirt

A clean, white shirt will work best because the paint shows up well, but a pale colour will work too.



The material needs to be completely flat to get the best print. Put a piece of thick card inside the shirt to stop it ruffling up.

Use a stiff piece of card that will fit inside your shirt.

Insert the card right up to the neckline.



REMEMBER – whatever you cut away will be where the ink goes through.

Use thin card for the stencil; cereal packet card works well.

## Design your stencil

### Keep the image simple

Use the piece of stencil card to draw on your design. Bold simple shapes work best – they are easier to cut out and paint through.

Stencils look better if you have more than one cutout in the design.

This way you can use more colours too.

## Paint your design

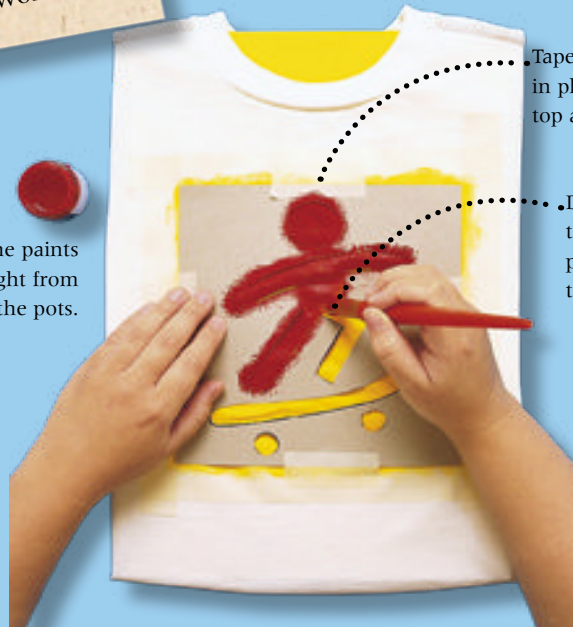
Fabric paints are the best to use – they work like ordinary paints but will not wash out when you clean your clothes. Follow the makers' instructions on the pots.

If you can't get fabric paints, you could use acrylic paints instead.

Use the paints straight from the pots.



Paintbrush with hard bristles



Tape your stencil in place at the top and bottom.

Don't put too much paint on the brush.

## Dab on the paint





Fold the shirt around the card and tape in place.



Cut out another piece of stiff card and use it as a template to mark out the background of the design. Put tape around the edges of the card, then remove it.

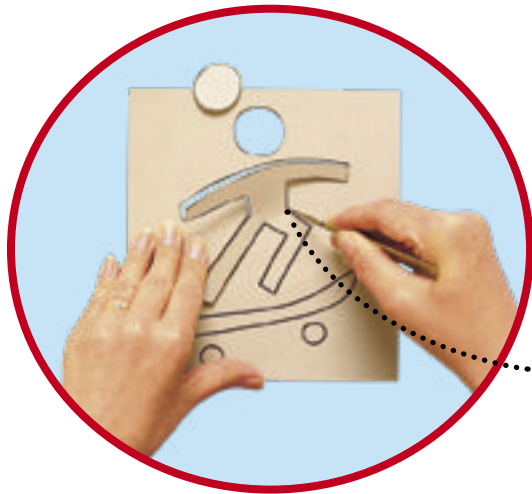
## Make a background



Paint a colour within the tape.

Leave it to dry.

## Add the colour

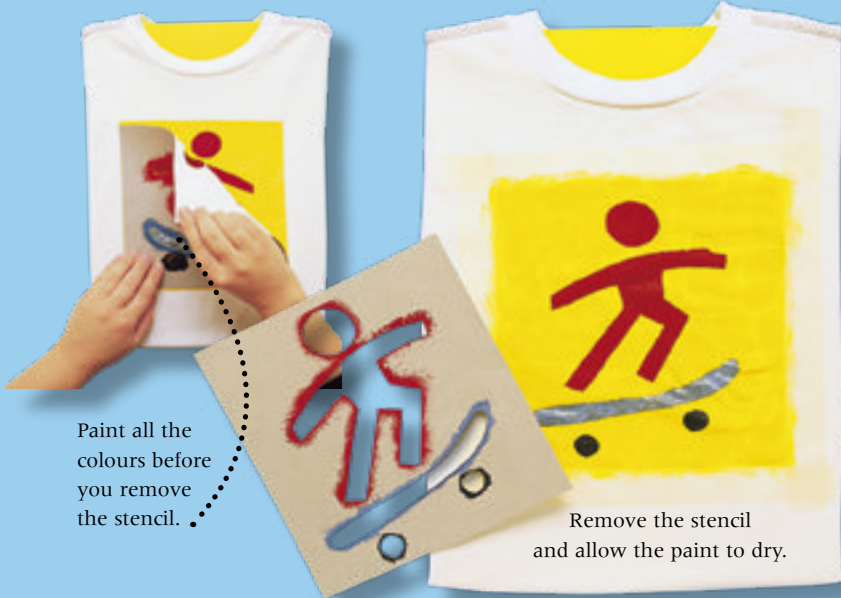


Ask an adult to help you cut out the design.



## Little and large

Make smaller stencils for caps or notebooks.



Paint all the colours before you remove the stencil.

Remove the stencil and allow the paint to dry.

## Peel back the stencil



Iron over the pattern to fix the paint – follow the instructions on the paint pot.

Ask an adult to help with ironing.

## Ready to go!

# Teds on tour

Your favourite toys can take a trip too.  
Set them up with their own holiday kit.



## Ted at the beach

Search through your stuff for things that are Ted's size.



Face flannel

Paper parasol

This tiny toy camera was on a keyring.

Toy boat

Ted's own magazine

Small plastic container for orange juice



## Smile please!

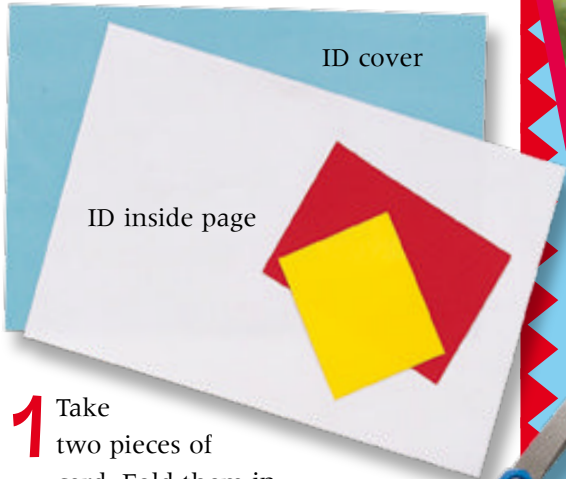
Here is a great way for you to record your trips. Take a photo of a favourite toy enjoying what you are enjoying.



## Ted's passport

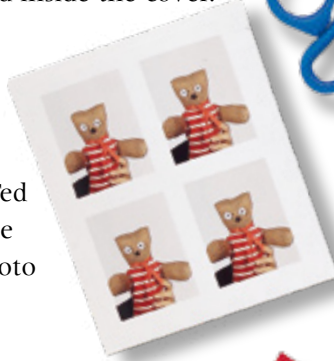
Ted needs a passport to go on holiday. Fill in his personal details and add some pictures to show what he's been up to.

# Ted's ID card



**1** Take two pieces of card. Fold them in half and glue the white card inside the cover.

**2** Take Ted to have his photo taken.



**3** Design a symbol for the front cover and stick it place.



Use coloured paper for the design.

Ted's ID card details and activities page. The activities page includes icons for walking, flying, sailing, swimming, and boating. The details page includes a photo of Ted and the following information:

**OFFICIAL**

NAME ..... Ted  
 PLACE MADE ..... wooltown  
 DATE KNITTED ..... 10.10.06  
 HEIGHT ..... 30 cm  
 SPECIAL FEATURES ..... one slipped stitch

**4** Fill in Ted's details and use stickers or draw where he has been.



Out and about

A day at the beach



A trip to the city

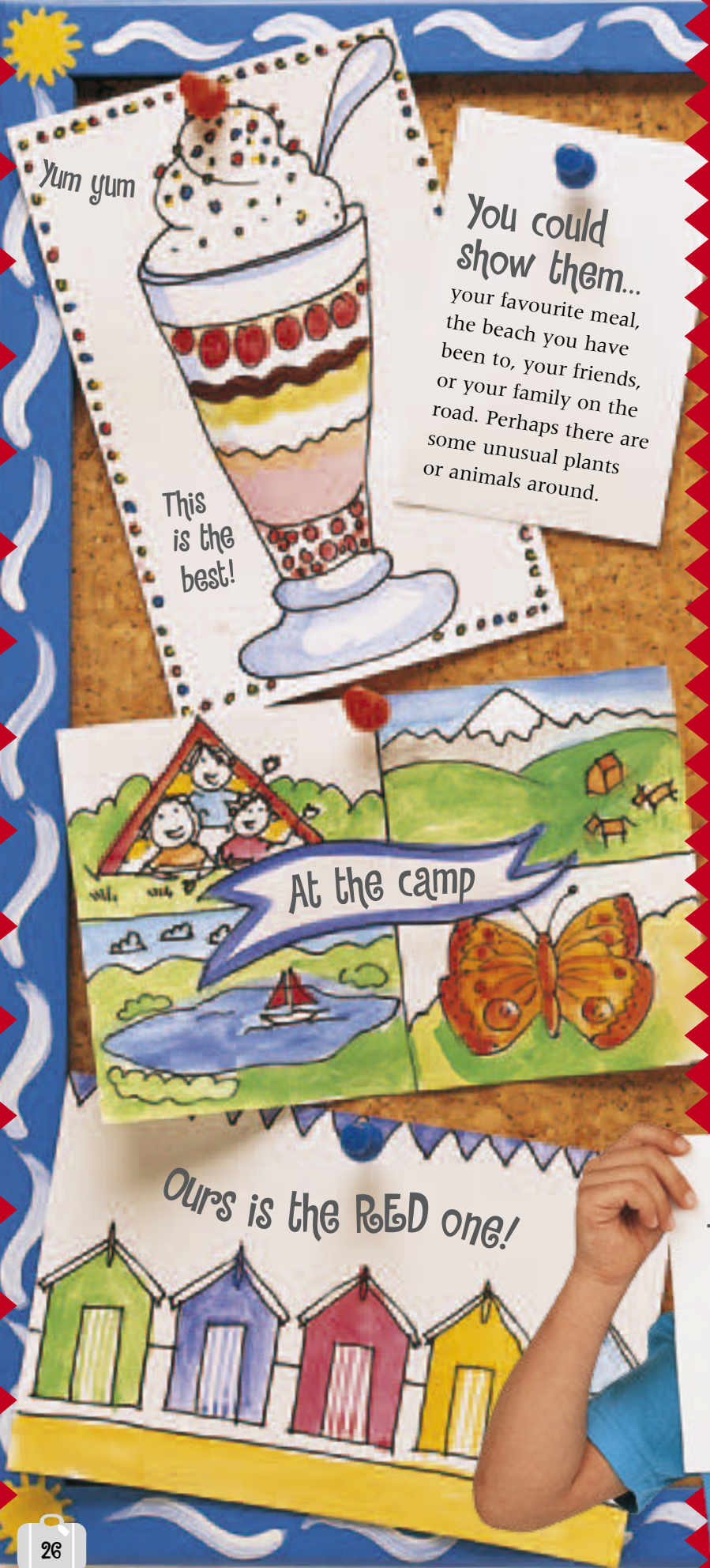
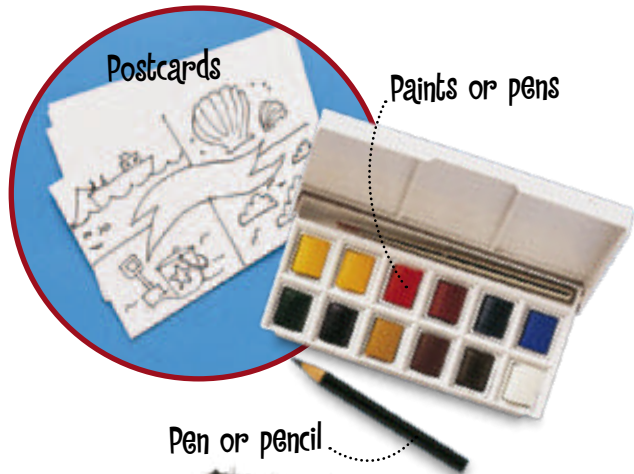


Ted's album

Wherever you are, take a picture of Ted enjoying the scenery, having a meal, relaxing on the beach, or on the road. It's a different way of recording your trip too.

# Wish you were here!

I'm having a great time!  
Make your friends envious  
by sending them a postcard  
you've drawn yourself.



King of the castle

We went here!



Hi!

Hi!

Hi!

Hi!

Hi!



### To make your card

Take a blank postcard from your kit, draw a picture in pen or pencil, then colour it in using paints or crayons.

At the beach



Ouch!



Hello!

We're off on holiday



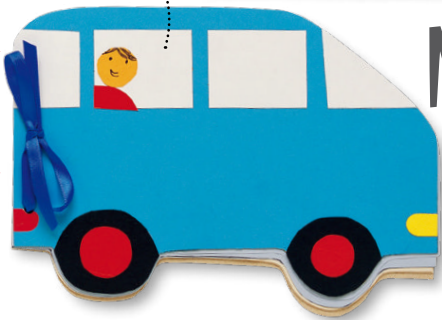


A book for the beach



A book for a road trip

A book for a museum trip



# My holiday book

Pack a suitcase book with all your holiday memories.



## Suitcase diary

This suitcase diary is perfect to store your holiday memories in. You can fill it with photos, tickets, and any other souvenirs.

Cover the pieces of card with coloured paper.

Stick one handle to each piece of card.

To make the covers, cut out two pieces of card from cereal boxes.

Draw two handles on a piece of paper.

Glue the paper to a piece of card and cut them out.

Punch two holes in the bottom of the cards.



## Tickets and tags

Save everything!  
Wherever you go collect your tickets, tags, and any other bits to stick in your book.



Collect leaflets from places you have visited and cut out the pictures.

## Holiday snaps

Take photos of your visits and stick them in. You could create a photo-story of your day.

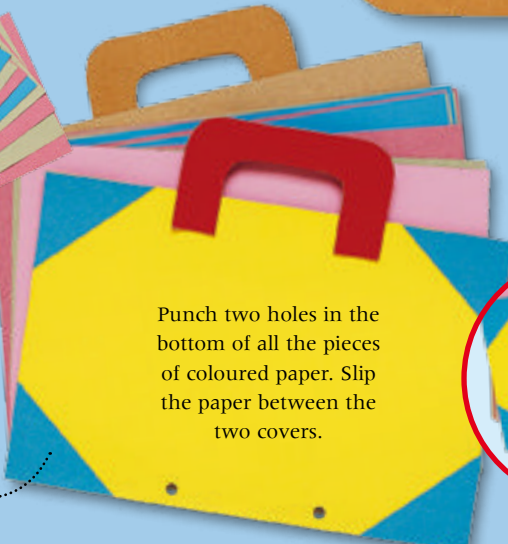


Collect some postcards from your travels.

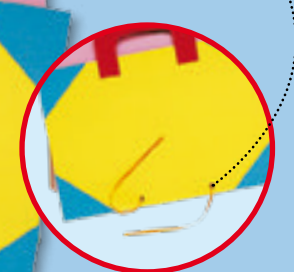


Cut out pieces of coloured paper to the same size as the cover.

Cut triangles of paper to stick to the corners of the book.



Punch two holes in the bottom of all the pieces of coloured paper. Slip the paper between the two covers.



Thread string or ribbon through the holes and tie a bow.



Your suitcase is ready to pack!

Decorate your shell book with glitter and goggle eyes.

My beach holiday

Stick in favourite shells and pebbles.

Save some sand in a bag and stick it in.

Sparkly ribbon

The sand tickled my toes...  
Try writing a poem about the beach or sea. Is the sea shallow or deep? Is it calm or are there waves? Is the beach sandy or pebbly?

Drawing pictures  
Save some of your home-made postcards to stick in your book.

## How to shape a book

A book doesn't have to be book-shaped, it can be any shape you like! Think about what sort of holiday you will have, and design a shape that suits the trip. Use the instructions on page 28 to make the book, but change the shape.

Draw pictures of yourself and your family and put them in the window of your car.

My road trip

## Let's go!

How are you travelling on your holiday? Why not design a car book, a plane book, or a boat book?

Copy the shape of your own car.



# Book-o-saurus

"We went to a dinosaur museum and we saw a..."

Perhaps you are going to make a special trip on your holiday that will give you the shape of your book.

Decorate the cover as a dinosaur face.

Pick up a souvenir pencil...  
...to fill in all the facts!

## My visit to the dinosaurs

Include your ticket, a map, and leaflets from your day.

### Today I saw the...

Write a description of what you see, sketch pictures, and collect some facts and figures along the way.

- biggest .....
- smallest .....
- longest .....
- most ferocious .....
- .....
- .....

Cut out pictures from papers and magazines.

Draw pictures of things you have seen on your journey.

### Dear diary

Why not try writing a diary of your whole holiday? Fill it in at the end of each day. Tell your diary what you have done that day, what you ate, and any exciting events.

Fill in a new page each day.



# Nature walk

Off for a stroll?

Collect as you go! You'll be amazed what you can do with a good nature collection. Keep a look out for leaves, seeds, and a bird's feather or two.

## Superbug collection

Create your very own collection of creepy crawlies. Butterflies with flapping wings and tiny beetles with nutshell wing cases, all held together on clay bodies.

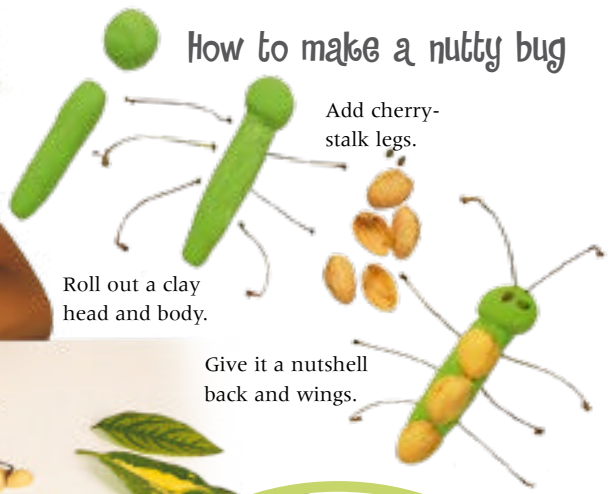


## Nature bugs

Lay out the things you've collected. Are you inspired by any of the shapes?



### How to make a nutty bug



Roll out a clay head and body.

Add cherry-stalk legs.

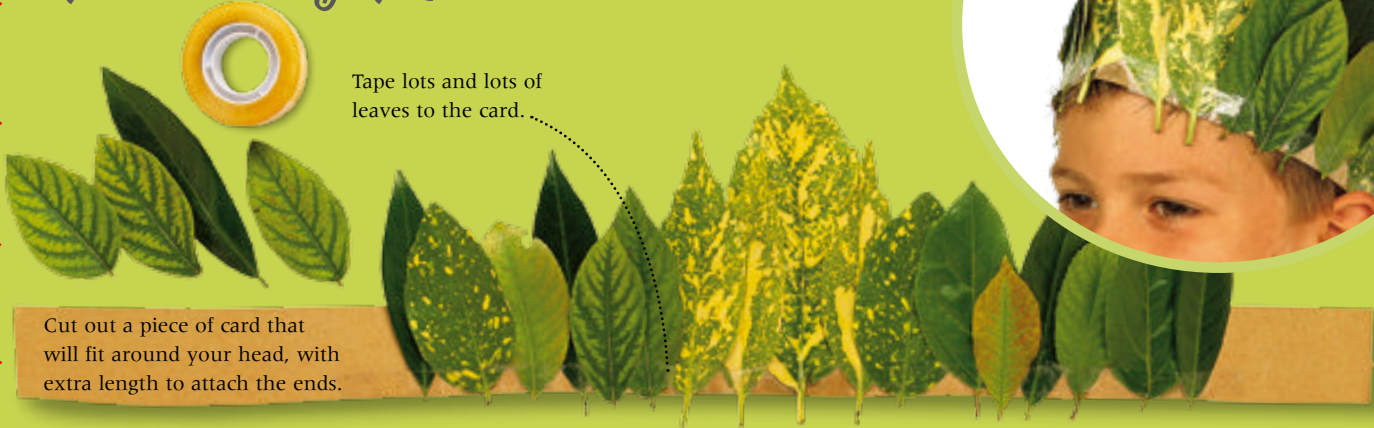
Give it a nutshell back and wings.



Tape the ends together.

## The Green King head-dress

How to make a leafy crown.



Tape lots and lots of leaves to the card.

Cut out a piece of card that will fit around your head, with extra length to attach the ends.

## Wise owl eyes

How to make a leafy mask.



Draw a mask shape onto a piece of thin card, making sure that the eye holes are the same width apart as your eyes.

Nutshells

Smaller leaves make a border.

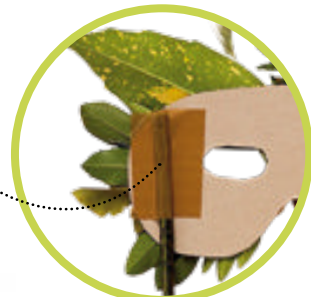
Acorn beak

Cut out the mask.

Use strong glue to stick leaves to the mask shape.

Tape a garden cane to the back of the mask.

The cane will allow you to hold the mask up to your face.





Always remember to take a bag with you on a nature walk to put the collection in.



## A fancy frame

Make a natural frame to show off a painting or photograph.

Cut a frame out of cardboard that has thick enough edges to stick on your nature collection.



Ask an adult to help cut out the frame.

Use strong glue to attach all kinds of leaves, seeds, feathers, twigs, fir cones, and anything else you might find.

## Follow the country code

**Do** respect the countryside.

**Do** keep to the footpaths.

**Do** close gates after you.

**Don't** pick wild flowers.

**Do** try to collect things that have fallen from trees and are on the ground.

**Don't** go out on your own,  
**ALWAYS TAKE AN ADULT.**





### Painted pebbles

Fishy stones and patterned pebbles make great presents.



# Beach art

A visit to the beach gives you plenty of material to play with. Try instant art or gather some beachy bits and make art at home.

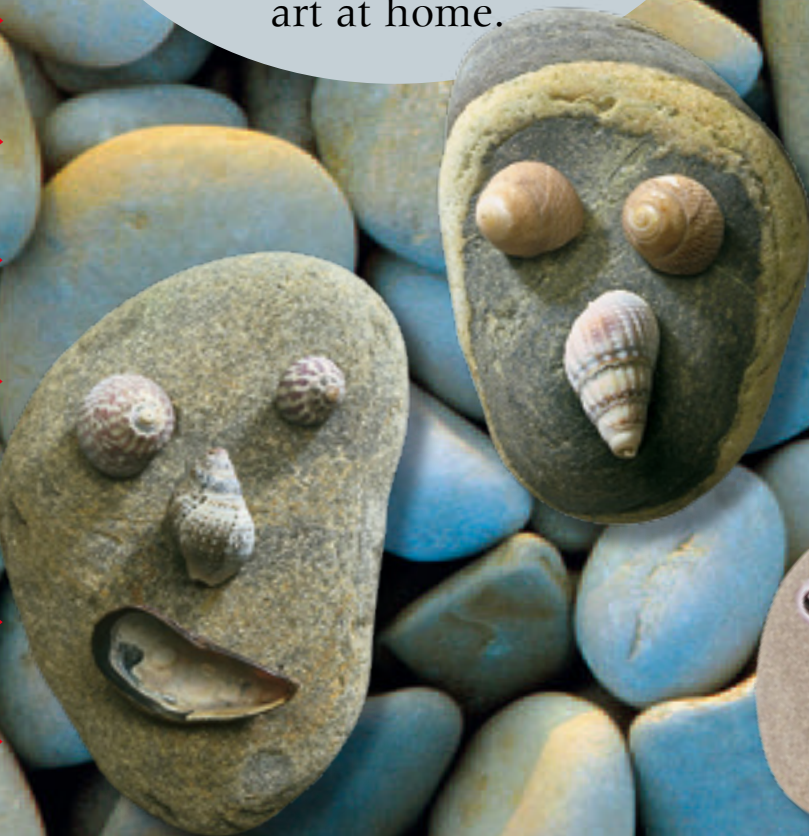
### Standing stones

Instant art on the beach.



### Pebble people

There are lots of pebble faces on the beach, it's up to you to find us.





**Fish tails**  
Put stones together to make different shapes.



**Goggle-eyed**



**Pebble pals**

**Sandman**  
Make faces in the sand and let the sea wash them away.



**Patterns and scenes**



**Vroom!**





You'll need lots of us!

**Pebbles make great art.** Make patterns and faces on the beach, or take them home to play games with and create gifts for friends.

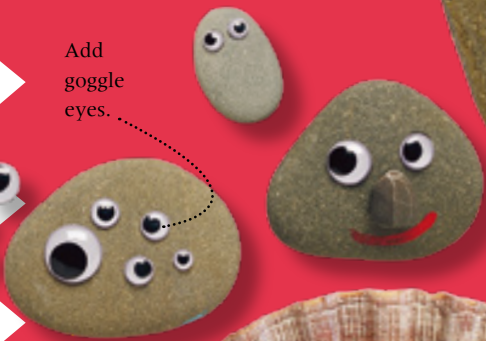
Search for shapes that work best for faces.



### Pebble heads

Practise pebble faces on the beach then take them home and glue the stones together.

Add goggle eyes.



Use a strong glue to fix them together.



### Beachcombing

As you play on the beach, fill up a bucket with bits and bobs that catch your eye. Take it home and start creating.



# Hello sandy face!



Not all pebbles are round, some are odd shapes. This one looks just like a nose. Search them out and make happy, sandy faces.



## Painting pebbles

Acrylic paint is thick and waterproof so it is perfect for painting pebbles. Paint it straight onto the pebble – you may need two coats of paint for a perfect finish.



Apply the first coat and wait for it to dry.

Wash your brush out between colours.



To make the paint less see-through, add some white paint.



Shells for ears and a painted face

## Mini cakes

Make a miniature picnic. Take small stones and paint them to look like delicious creamy cakes.



## Rings and things

Make your pebbles and shells into precious jewellery. You will find ring bases and claws for pendants in local craft shops. Use strong glue to attach them.



Rings

Brooch back

Pendant claws

Add string to make a necklace.

Spread out the claw's prongs and use strong glue to press it to the pebble or shell.



## 3-D scenes in a box



Bag them up and give them away.



# Your souvenir shop

It's fun to buy mementoes on holiday, but it's even more fun to make your own to keep or give away.

## Snow domes



## Mini pet

Dinosaur in a jar

## Plaster pictures



## 3-D picture

Make a scene that reminds you of your holiday.



Set the scene in a wooden cheese box.

## Woodland walk

Collect fir cones, twigs, and nutshells to set in plaster.



Wherever you go and whatever adventures you have, make sure you remember them by turning things you have collected along the way into art. Then let friends know how good your holiday was by giving your art away as presents.

Happy holiday giveaways



Reuse glass jars to make a magical scene.

## Snowstorms



Transform plastic models in glitter and glycerine.

## Mini pets

Give a home to a tiny plastic animal in a jar.



A piece of cloth held on with an elastic band

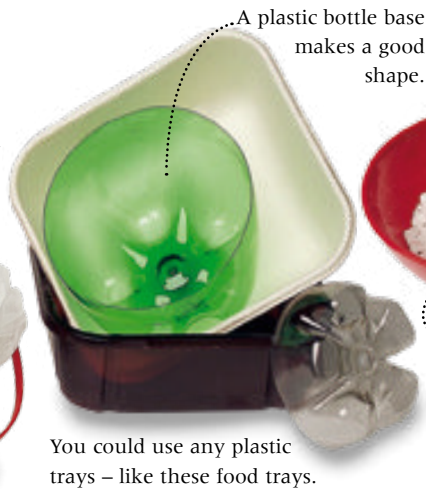
# Plaster plaques

Plaster of Paris is really easy to use but it dries quickly so work fast! You can buy it in local craft shops. Use any old plastic containers you find to make perfect presents or keepsakes.

**MIX THE PLASTER**  
For a small container:  
2 tablespoons plaster  
4 tablespoons water



Plaster of Paris



You could use any plastic trays – like these food trays.



Add some water...

...and stir.

The mixture should be like thick cream – not runny. Add more water or plaster until it's right.

## 1 Stir in the water

# Snowstorms

Mix up a snowstorm to remind you of your holiday. To make it sparkle you need a very clean glass jar with a screw-top lid. Use a strong glue – not a glue that will dissolve in water.



Screw-top glass jar



Glycerine



Strong glue

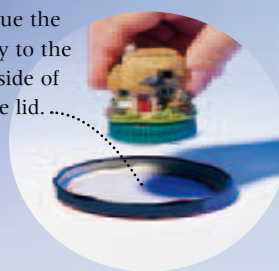
Glycerine can be bought in chemists. It is thick and helps the glitter to move in the water.

Plastic or ceramic toy

Glitter



Glue the toy to the inside of the lid.



Leave the glue to set.



Fill a jar just over halfway up with water.



# 3-D Scenes

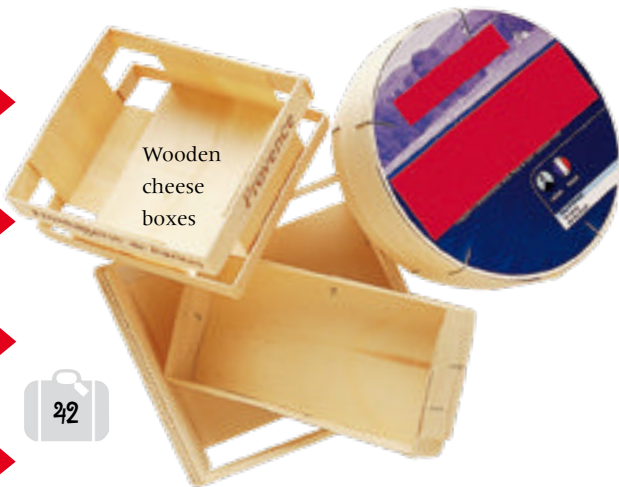
These 3-D pictures are made out of layers of paper, with a wedge stuck between each layer to give the 3-D effect. Collect the light-weight, wooden boxes that come with things such as cheese – they can be transformed into some great art.



Draw around the box to make a template.



Cut out the template and use it to cut out lots of pieces of coloured paper the same size.



Wooden cheese boxes



Scoop the mixture into the tray...



Give the tray a few sharp taps to make the plaster settle.

Press the objects into the plaster.



Collect bits and pieces, such as shells and pebbles from a beach.



Leave it to dry for 30 minutes.

Hold the tray upside-down over your hand.



Let the plaque drop out.

## 2 Fill the mould

## 3 Make your design

## 4 Let it set

## 5 Turn it out

Pour in 2 tablespoons of glycerine.



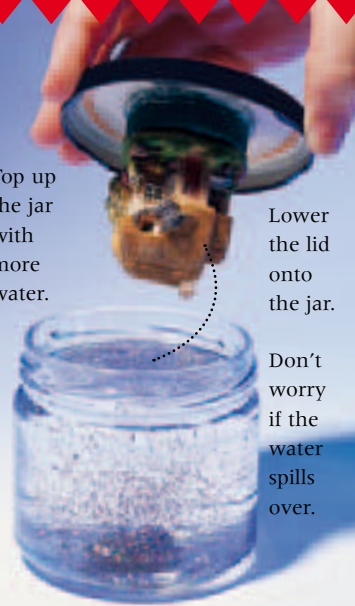
Stir it up.

Add a teaspoon of glitter.



Stir it again.

Top up the jar with more water.



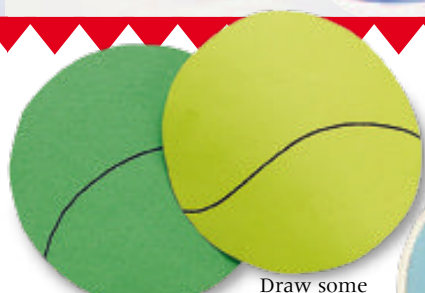
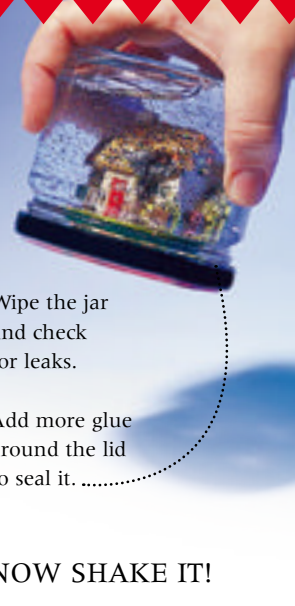
Lower the lid onto the jar.

Don't worry if the water spills over.

Wipe the jar and check for leaks.

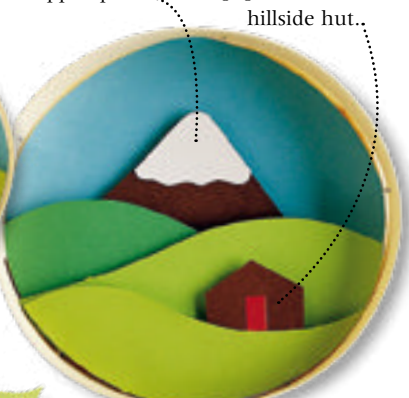
Add more glue around the lid to seal it.

**NOW SHAKE IT!**



Draw some landscape swirls on the circles.

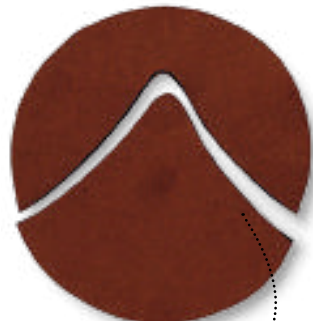
Glue a whole circle to the bottom of the tray.



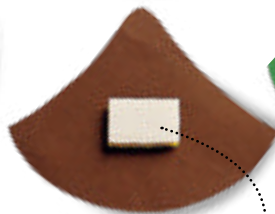
Add a white paper, snow-capped peak.

A piece of brown paper makes a hillside hut.

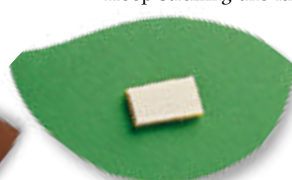
Keep sticking the layers onto the picture.



Cut out the landscape shapes.



Stick a sticky pad to the back of every scene layer.



Sticky pads can be bought in stationery shops. If you can't find them, cover both sides of a thick piece of card with double-sided sticky tape.

Tape ribbon to the back to hang it up.



# Things to do

The best thing about holidays are

## VIP for a day!

Bite into your cake. If you get the one with the cherry in it, you are a Very Important Person and YOU get to choose what to do for the day.

What will you choose? Perhaps...

- be treated like royalty for a day?
- you get to sit in the front seat?
- you choose the film?
- you get to go first – anywhere?
- choose the restaurant?

Take a bite...  
I've got it!



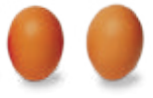
100 g (2 oz) butter



100 g (2 oz) self-raising flour



100 g (2 oz) caster sugar



2 eggs



### 1 Mix it up

Put all the ingredients in the bowl and beat until the mixture is light and fluffy.



### 2 One cherry

Put some paper cases in a bun tin. Take ONE cherry and place it in ONE of the cases.



### 3 Cover up

Spoon the mixture into the cases, making sure you cover the cherry completely.

Set the oven to 190°C, 375°F, Gas mark 5



### 4 Bake

Bake in the oven for 10–15 minutes.

Ask an adult to help with the electric whisk and the hot oven.



Finish each cake with a cherry on the top.



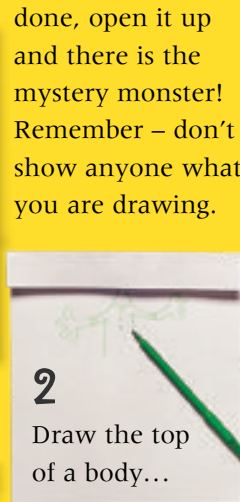
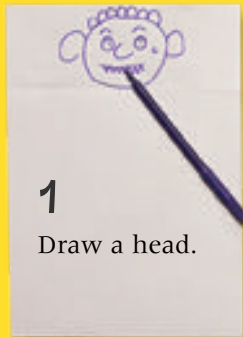
### 5 Decoration

Mix some icing sugar with a few drops of water and spoon it on top of the cakes.

playing games and going on outings, so here are some ideas to help you along.

## Draw a monster..

...with your friends. Take a piece of paper and draw a head at the top. Fold the paper down and pass it to the next person, who draws the top of the body. They fold it down, and pass it on as shown. When it's done, open it up and there is the mystery monster! Remember – don't show anyone what you are drawing.



## What shall we do?

Can't decide what to do? Why not let the jar be your guide? Write down different ideas on pieces of paper, fold them up, and put them into a jar or box. Then when you just can't decide what to do, dip in.

- Let's get out the paints.
- Let's go to the cinema.
- Let's go on a bike ride.
- Let's play cards.



## What happened next?

Who knows where the story will begin or end! The great thing about this game is that you all get to listen to a story – but no-one knows what will happen next...

Pick someone to start a story and let them make up the story for half a minute. When their time is up, the next person picks up the story where it stopped and carries it on for another half-minute. The last person has to end the story.

HERE ARE A FEW STORY IDEAS TO START YOU OFF.

Dad promised us that he knew the way to the beach, but as they climbed higher and higher up the mountain, they had a feeling they were lost...

OR

One fine day a toad and a frog were sunning themselves by a small stream. Suddenly they heard a loud BANG!

OR

It all started when James went to Tom's house to play football...

## Are we there yet?

Travelling doesn't have to be boring. Here are some games to challenge the family with – whether you are on a car, bus, plane, or train.

### Grandma's suitcase



How good is your memory? Test it with "Grandma's suitcase". List the things Grandma has packed to go on her holiday. The things she packs can be as wild as you like, all you have to do is remember them – here's how it goes...

**My Grandma went on holiday and in her suitcase she packed:**  
...a pair of flippers

The next person repeats the above then adds another packed item.

**My Grandma went on holiday and in her suitcase she packed:**  
...a pair of flippers  
...and a pet kitten

Carry on and on until someone gets an item wrong or can't remember one and gives up.

It might end up sounding like this...

**My Grandma went on holiday and in her suitcase she packed:**  
...a pair of flippers  
...a pet kitten  
...a set of drums  
...the England football team  
...her best cardigan  
...an umbrella  
...and a small frying pan  
...and on and on!

### Travel bingo

Keep the cards together in a CD case.



#### How to make your game

Cut out some square pieces of paper the size of a CD case. Draw lines down the cards so there are three boxes across and three boxes down. Now draw a picture in each box – draw things that you might see on a road journey.

#### How to play travel Bingo

Give each person in the car (apart from the driver!) a card and tell them to tick the picture when they see it outside the car. When you have ticked all the boxes shout "BINGO!".



Give each player a pencil so when they match a picture they can tick it off their card. To play again, just rub out the pencil ticks.



### Words on plates

Look at a licence plate. You'll notice that there are three letters in a row on it. When you are on the road, pick a car, look at the licence plate, and race each other to make a word out of the three letters. The letters must stay in the same order but the word can be as short or long as you like. Watch out, some letter combinations are really difficult!

#### I spy

**I spy with my little eye, something beginning with "S"...**

Is it a signpost?

Is it a scarecrow?

Is it a street lamp?

**I know, it's my sunglasses!**

All you have to do is think of something you can see, then tell the family the first letter. The first person to guess the word wins.

### Red car, yellow car

Pick a colour and count the number of cars you see in that colour. The first to reach ten wins!



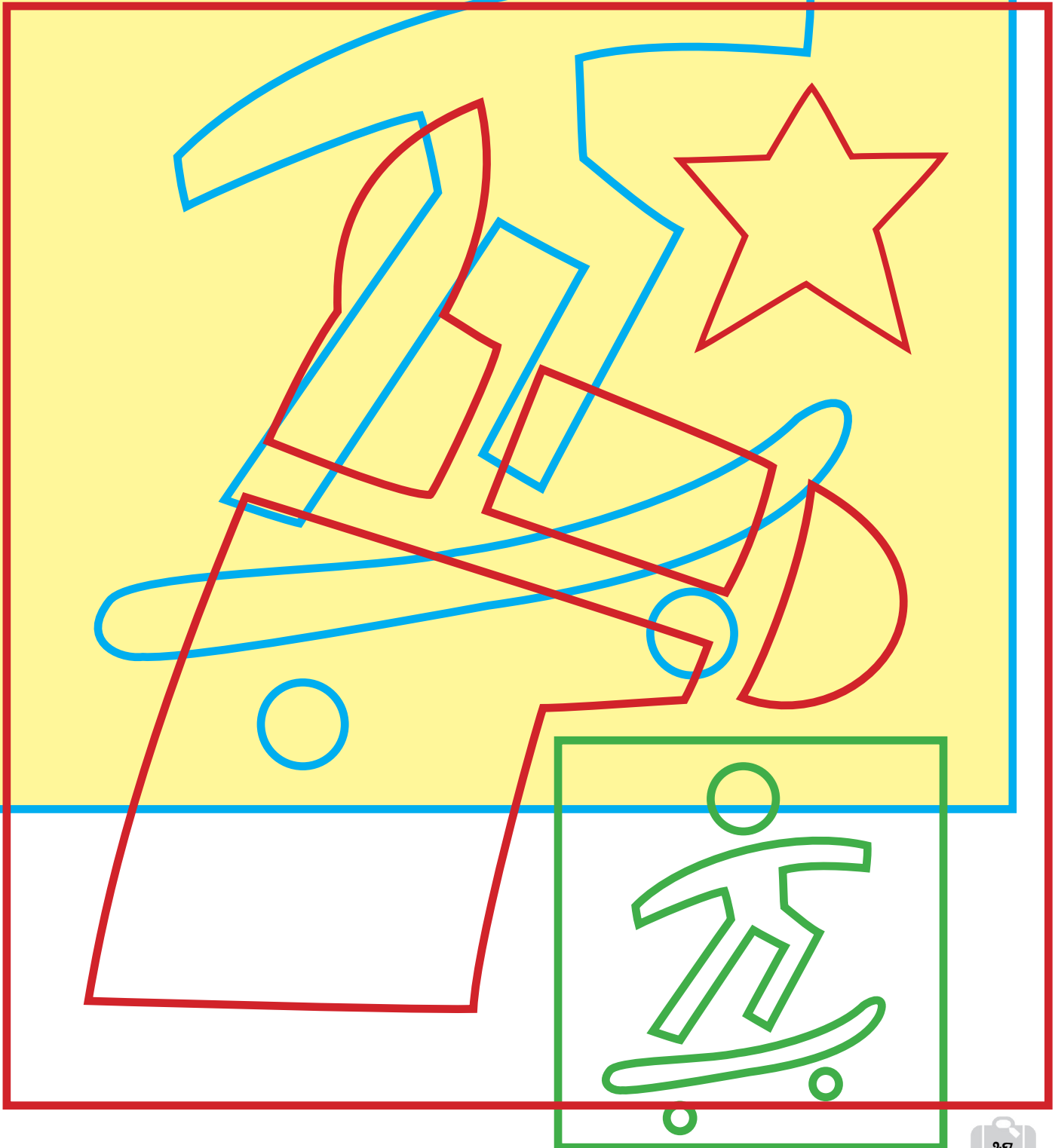
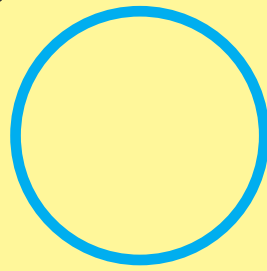
**I see 10, I'm the winner!**



# Patterns for stencils

Copy these shapes to use as stencils for your prints (pages 20-23). Turn over to page 48 to find out how to transfer the designs onto a piece of card.

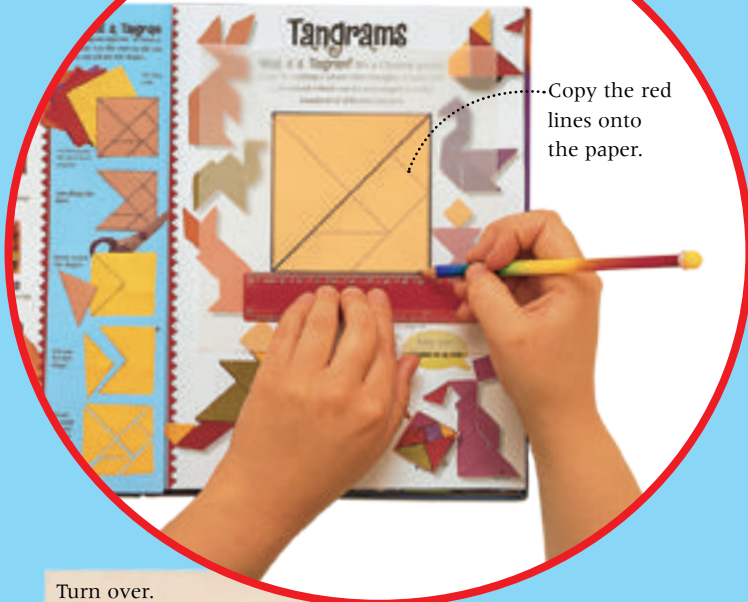
Ask an adult to help you cut out the shapes.



# How to transfer the tangram onto thin card (from pages 10-11)

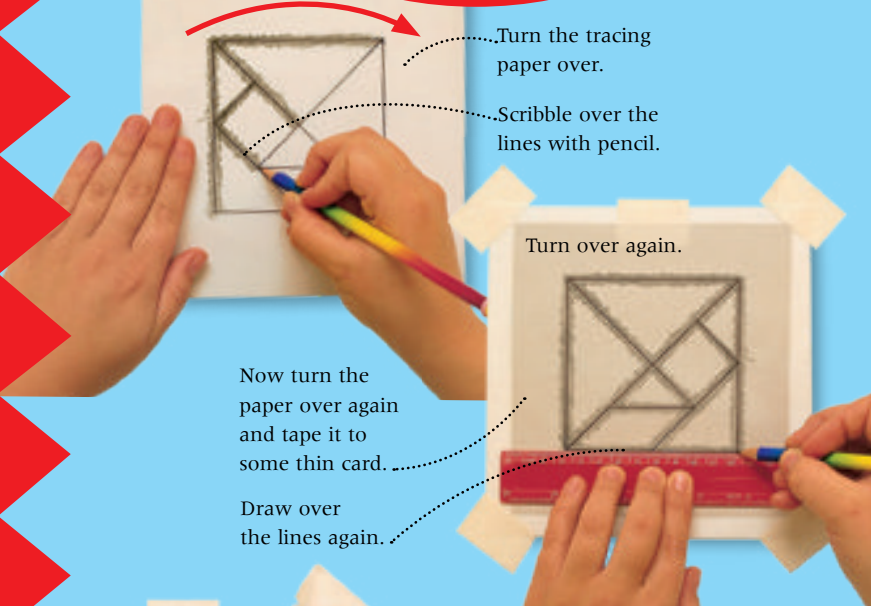
Use this method for your stencils as well.

Lay a piece of tracing paper over the shape.



Copy the red lines onto the paper.

Turn over.



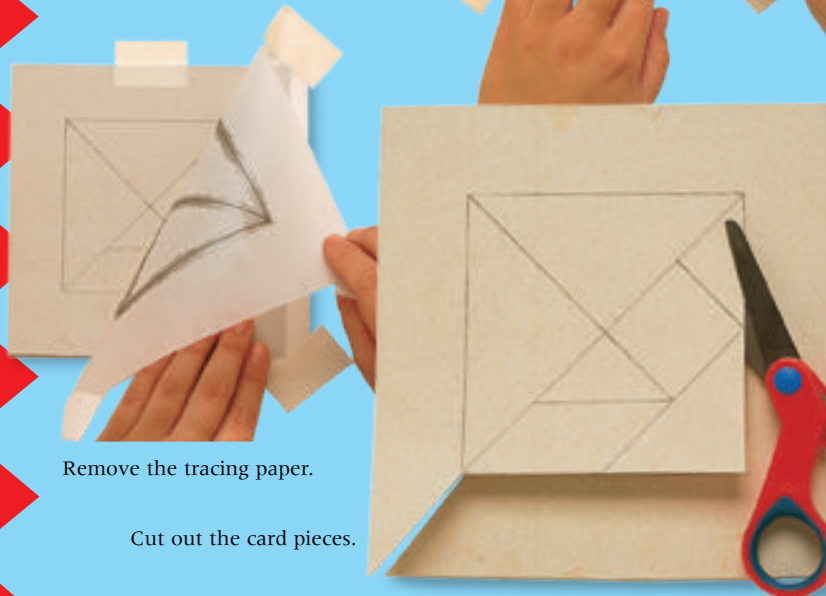
Turn the tracing paper over.

Scribble over the lines with pencil.

Turn over again.

Now turn the paper over again and tape it to some thin card.

Draw over the lines again.



Remove the tracing paper.

Cut out the card pieces.

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