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Welcome to your Culture Mile Play Pack!

This month's pack is designed to help you explore and experience new adventures. What would life be like as a pirate? Can you create a theatre in your living room? From designing brand new creatures, to what life might look like in the future – let your imagination run wild!

This pack also features activities from partners and artists from Walthamstow Garden Party In The Air - a reimagining of East London's biggest community-powered festival. Get creative at home and channel the spirit of the festival through a range of free activities, workshops, performances and radio programmes that you can discover at www.walthamstowgardenparty.com

We'd love to know what you think of your Play Pack! You can get in touch with your pictures and ideas online at info@culturemile.london, on Instagram & Twitter at [@CultureMileLDN](https://www.instagram.com/CultureMileLDN) or [#culturemile](https://twitter.com/CultureMileLDN). And don't forget to subscribe to our newsletter to stay in touch!

We have also included a feedback postcard for you to send back to us – we hope to make more of these packs and if you have ideas, we'd love to include them. You can also share your thoughts over the phone by calling 07783171940.

This pack includes contributions from:

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AHOY


THIS PACK CONTAINS PROMPTS AND CRAFT IDEAS FOR AN EPIC PIRATE ADVENTURE! ALL YOU NEED IS IMAGINATION!


TO HELP YOU GET INTO CHARACTER CONSIDER...

- + WHAT IS YOUR PIRATE NAME?
- + WHAT IS THE NAME OF YOUR SHIP?
- + WHERE IS THE TREASURE ISLAND?
- + DO YOU HAVE A COMPANION? MAYBE A PET MONKEY OR PARROT
- + WHICH SEA IS YOUR SHIP SAILING ACROSS?

PIRATE EYE PATCH

①  DRAW AN EYEPATCH SHAPE ONTO A SCRAP OF CARD AND CUT OUT

②  CUT 2 SMALL SLITS. DO THIS BY FOLDING ALONG THE DOTTED LINE.

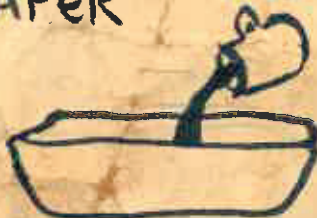
③  THREAD STRING THROUGH SLITS. DECORATE AND WEAR!

NOW LETS GET YOU LOOKING LIKE A PIRATE!

ANTIQUUE PAPER



MAKE A CUP OF COFFEE AND LET SIT FOR 5 MINUTES.



POUR COFFEE INTO A TRAY. ADD PAPER AND LET IT SOAK UP LIQUID.



HANG PAPER TO DRY OR BAKE IN AN OVEN FOR APPROX 5 MINS - (UNTIL THE EDGES CURL)

TIP: REPEAT FOR A DARKER COLOUR.

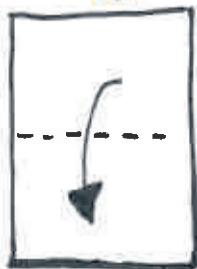
USE THIS TECHNIQUE TO MAKE AN AUTHENTIC LOOKING TREASURE MAP

WITH ADULT SUPERVISION!

Paper Boats



①



FOLD A4 PAPER IN HALF AND KEEP FOLDED.

②



FOLD IN HALF AGAIN AND OPEN UP TO LEAVE A CREASE.

③



FOLD EACH CORNER DOWN USING MIDDLE CREASE AS A GUIDE.

④



FOLD UP EDGES ON BOTH SIDES.

⑤



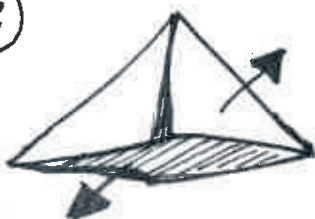
PUT THUMBS IN MIDDLE, OPEN OUT AND FLATTEN.

⑥



TUCK CORNERS OF FLAPS UNDER AND FOLD BOTH SIDES UP ALONG DOTTED LINE.

⑦



PUT THUMBS IN THE BOTTOM AND OPEN OUT.

⑧




PULL OUT CORNERS UNTIL...

⑨



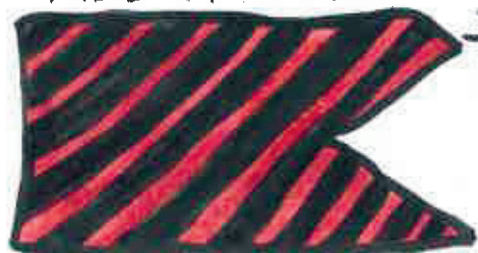
...YOU HAVE A BOAT! FLATTEN THE BOTTOM AND AWAY YOU GO!

 WHY NOT?... DECORATE!



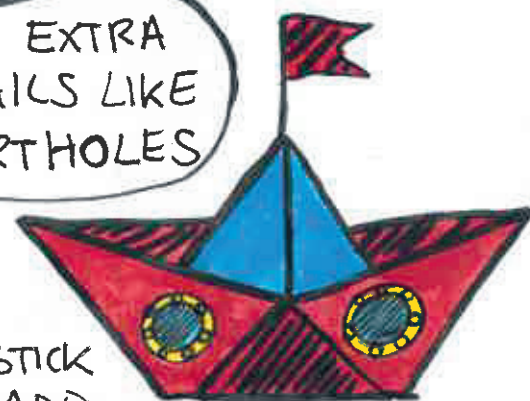
CUT A SCRAP OF PAPER INTO A FLAG SHAPE AND ADD A DESIGN.

eg.



ATTACH THE FLAG TO A COCKTAIL STICK OR STRAW. ADD TO BOAT.

ADD EXTRA DETAILS LIKE PORTHOLES

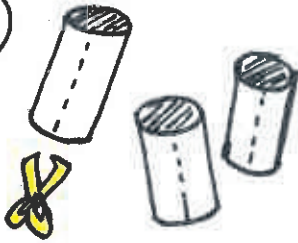


TELESCOPE



YOU WILL NEED -
3 TOILET TUBES
TAPE
SCISSORS
* EXTRAS TO
DECORATE (PENS,
PAINT/PAPER)

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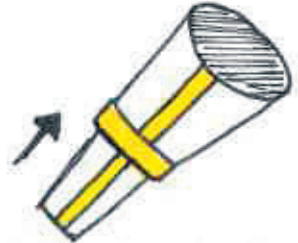
CUT A STRAIGHT
LINE THROUGH
EACH TOILET TUBE.

②



ROLL UP A
TUBE SO THAT
IT IS WIDER AT
THE TOP AND TAPE.

③



ROLL ANOTHER TUBE
AND INSERT INTO
THE FIRST. MAKE
SURE THE TUBE IS
NARROWER AT THE
BOTTOM AND TAPE.

④



REPEAT STEP 3
WITH THE FINAL
TUBE. MAKING
SURE THE
BOTTOM IS
NARROWER.

⑤



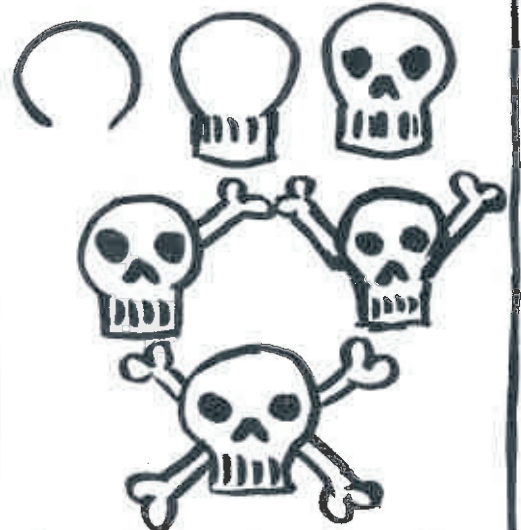
ADD DECORATION
USING MATERIALS
YOU HAVE. PAINT,
CRAYONS, STICKERS
AND COLOURED
PAPER WOULD
ALL WORK WELL.

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TIME TO TAKE TO THE
SEAS AND EXPLORE!

WHY NOT?
ADD A JOLLY ROGER
TO YOUR TELESCOPE

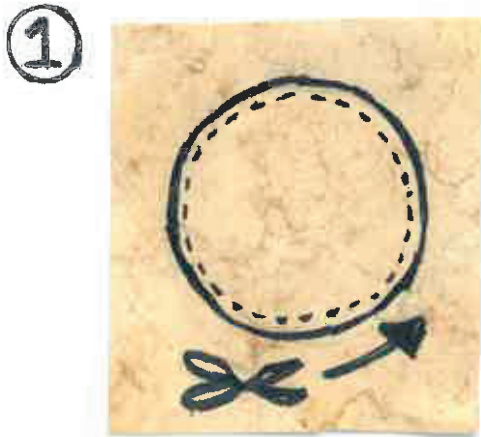


THE JOLLY ROGER
IS THE FLAG DESIGN
FLOWN TO IDENTIFY
A PIRATE SHIP
ABOUT TO ATTACK.

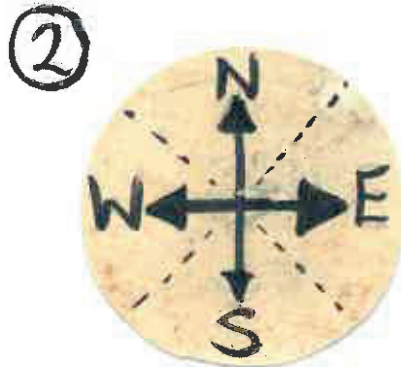


JAM JAR LID COMPASS

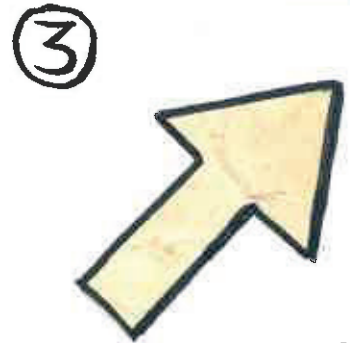
YOU WILL NEED:
 CARD
 JAR LID
 GLUE STICK
 PEN/PENCIL
 SPLIT PIN*



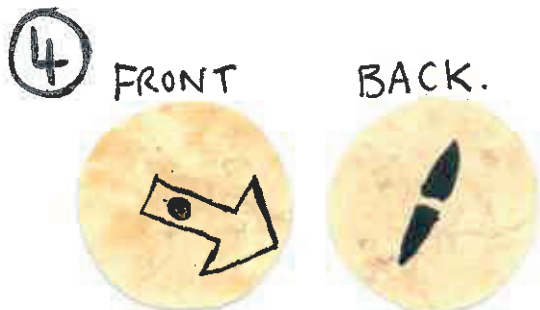
① DRAW AROUND JAR LID ONTO CARD. CUT OUT DISC, BUT SLIGHTLY SMALLER.



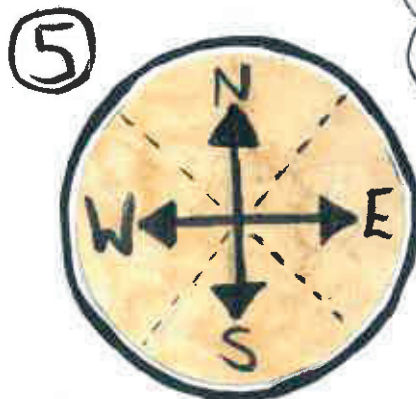
② DRAW YOUR COMPASS DESIGN ONTO THE DISC. OR USE THE COMPASS TEMPLATE BELOW.



③ ON ANOTHER PIECE OF CARD DRAW AN ARROW SHAPE AND CUT OUT.



④ MAKE A HOLE IN THE CENTRE OF THE DISC AND IN THE END OF THE ARROW. THREAD THROUGH SPLIT PIN.*




⑤ STICK DISC INTO JAR LID.*IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PIN STICK ARROW ON TOP.

AN EASY WAY TO REMEMBER THE ORDER OF A COMPASS:
NEVER
EAT
SHREDDED
WHEAT

TEMPLATE

TOP TIP!
 TO MAKE A HOLE USE A SHARP PENCIL AND PLACE SOMETHING SOFT UNDER eg. blutac/rubber




TREASURE MAP

COMPLETE THE TREASURE
MAP USING YOUR OWN
LANDMARKS. REMEMBER
X MARKS THE SPOT WHERE
TREASURE IS BURIED.





Open Spaces

Registered Charity

Make a Collage Mandala



This is one of 14 green spaces managed by the City of London at little cost to the general public.

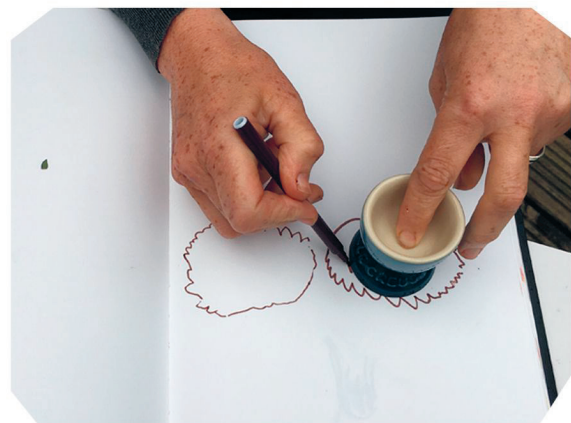
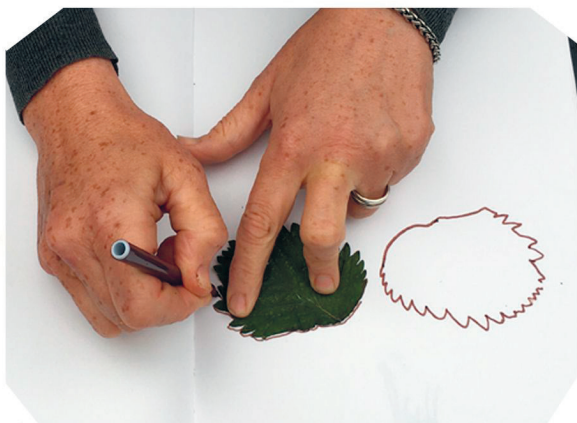
Find some old magazines or flyers in the recycling. Choose some colours you like and cut them out into different shapes. Arrange them on the floor to make a pattern – or stick them onto paper to make a rainbow!



THIS ACTIVITY YOU WILL NEED:
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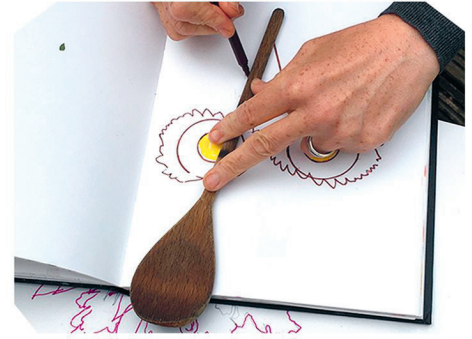
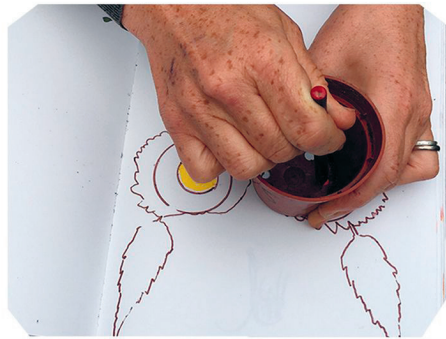
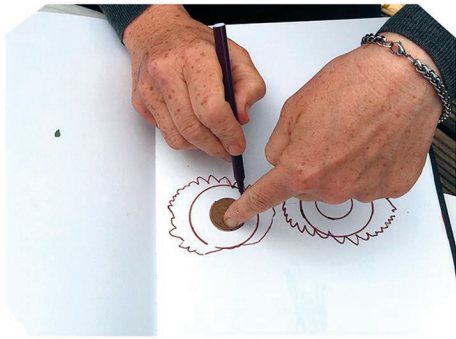
1. Something to draw with, pens, pencils, chalk, felt-tips etc... and some paper and/or a note book.
2. Objects from inside and/or outside with interesting shapes, edges or holes to draw in and around.

These objects can be man-made or from nature. Try and choose a variety of objects with different sizes and edges that you find interesting. These could be leaves, flowers, egg-cups, coins, anything you can find. Now imagine the character you want to create with these shapes and patterns. Will it be old or young, scaly or feathery, have a hundred legs or eyes? It's up to you! As you start drawing and putting shapes together, you will be amazed how your characters come to life! Look below to see how I made my crazy owl drawing around leaves, egg-cups, coins and plastic plant pots with felt tips and pencils :

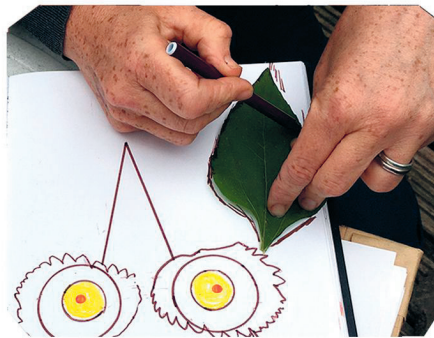


From the selection of leaves I had collected earlier I chose a leaf shape that I thought would suit the fluffy shape around an owl's eyes then I drew around these leaves with a felt tip pen. Inside the leaf shape I drew around an egg cup as this looked about the right size of an eyeball.

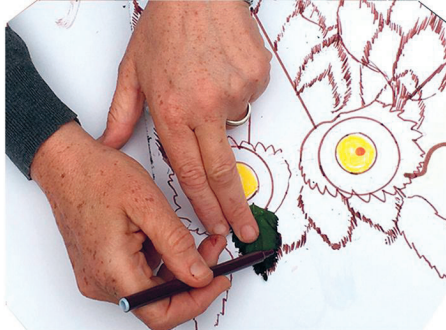
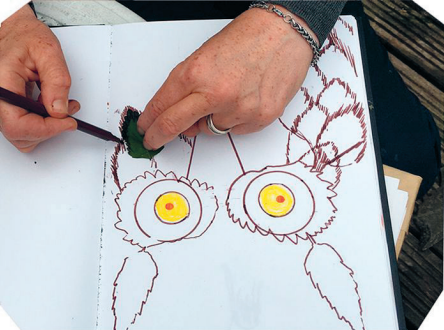




Next I used a coin to make the outside of the eyes and then for the centre of the eye I used the tiny circles at the bottom of a plant pot. I coloured both these circles in with brightly coloured pencils. For the straight edge of the owl's beak I drew down the edge of a wooden spoon.



From the selection of leaves I had collected earlier I chose a pointy looking one to draw around for the feathers above the owl's head as I thought this would make the owl look scarier. I chose a bigger rounder one for the owl's wing and then I made a line pattern around some smaller leaves to create a feather pattern.



I repeated this pattern all over the body and also above the eyes and over the top of the owl's head, so that they looked like real feathers.



And Ta-Da!!! here is the craziest owl in London. Please send me photos of your creations ! Visit www.expectationsofthepast.co.uk to see art works I have created drawing with natural forms !

DON'T BE AFRAID TO MAKE MISTAKES !



Drawing the Future

The Bank of England is one of the most secure buildings in the world (we are home to over 400,000 bars of gold after all). But one day we may need a new building to house us. And that's where you come in!

We need you to design a new building that we can use in the future.

Here are a few pointers to get you thinking:

- What is the building's shape and size?
- What materials will you use so that the building can withstand extreme weather?
- How will people get in and out?
- Will there be lots of security cameras?
- How can we keep our gold safe?

Your imagination is the limit!

Design your masterpiece using the template on the back of this sheet.

Have fun!



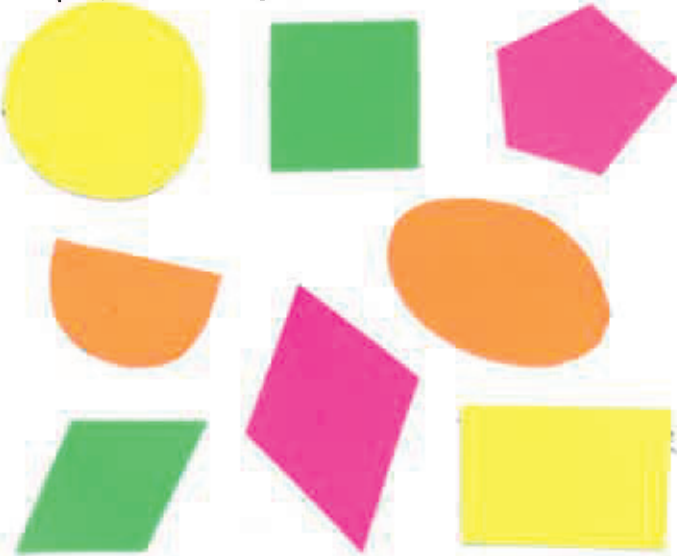
SHAPEABLES!

WEARABLE MAKES EXPLORING SHAPE + FORM

SHAPE PLAY

BEFORE WE MAKE OUR WEARABLE ART
HERE ARE 4 ACTIVITIES TO GET YOU
PLAYING AROUND WITH SHAPES AND FORM.

① DRAW DIFFERENT SIZED SHAPES
ONTO CARDBOARD OR PAPER
AND CUT OUT. TOP TIP- USE
MAGAZINES AND SCRAP PAPER.



② WHAT IMAGES CAN YOU MAKE
USING THE SHAPES? ADD
DETAILS TO HELP BRING TO LIFE.



③ TAKE INSPIRATION FROM
NATURE TO CREATE NEW
ORGANIC SHAPES.* DRAW + CUT OUT



* OFTEN CURVED AND FLOWING
ORGANIC SHAPES ARE
IRREGULAR AND IMPERFECT

④ CUT LITTLE SLITS INTO
YOUR CARDBOARD SHAPES



BY SLOTTING THE SHAPES
TOGETHER WHAT 3D FORMS
(SCULPTURES) CAN YOU MAKE?



CAN YOU GET YOUR SCULPTURE
TO STAND UP ON ITS OWN?

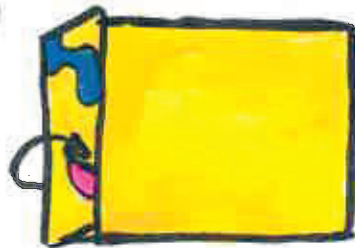
FUN WITH FANS

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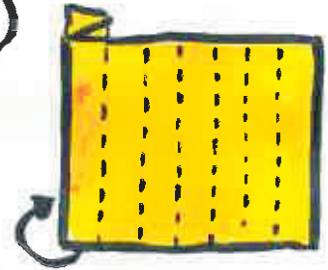
ON AN A4 PIECE OF PAPER CREATE YOUR SHAPE DESIGN.

②



START AT ONE END OF PAPER AND FOLD A 2CM CREASE.

③



FOLLOW THAT BY ANOTHER 2CM CREASE THE OTHER WAY.

④



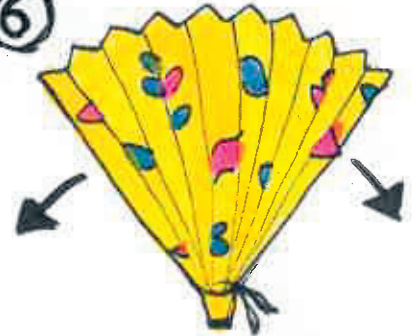
REPEAT STEP 3 UNTIL THE ENTIRE PAPER IS FOLDED

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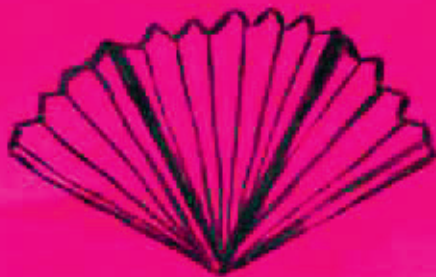
PINCH THE END AND USE TAPE, STRING OR A STAPLE TO SECURE.

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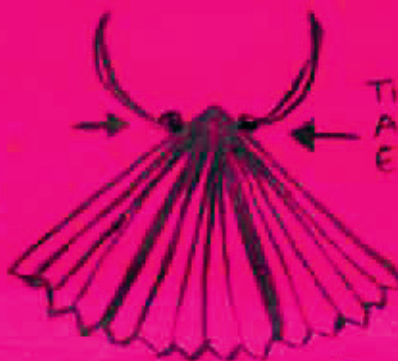


FAN OUT YOUR FAN... AND TA DA!

MAKE YOUR FAN WEARABLE!



MAKE 3 (OR MORE) FANS. STICK EACH EDGE TOGETHER WITH TAPE OR A GLUE STICK.



TIE A KNOT AT EACH END

MAKE A HOLE THROUGH EACH FOLD USING A HOLE PUNCH OR A SHARP PENCIL, AND THREAD STRING THROUGH.



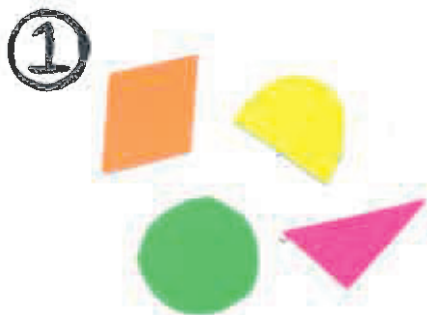
WEAR YOUR NEW NECKLACE WITH STYLE! YOU COULD ALSO MAKE SMALL ONES AS BRACELETS.

WHY NOT?

CREATE DANCE MOVES TO SHOW OFF YOUR WEARABLES AND PROPS WHAT SHAPES CAN YOU MAKE WITH YOUR BODY?

WEARABLE ART!

SHAPE NECKLACE



DRAW AND CUT OUT CARDBOARD SHAPES.



CREATE A DESIGN USING THE SHAPES AND STICK TOGETHER.



ADD HOLES TO THE DESIGN AND THREAD THROUGH STRING AND WEAR!

OR...



DRAW AND CUT OUT SHAPES USING CORRUGATED CARD.



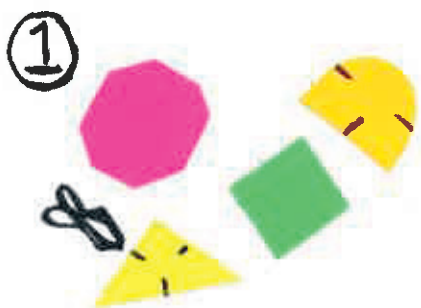
THREAD A NEEDLE THROUGH EACH SHAPE OR USE A SKEWER TO CREATE A 'TUNNEL'.



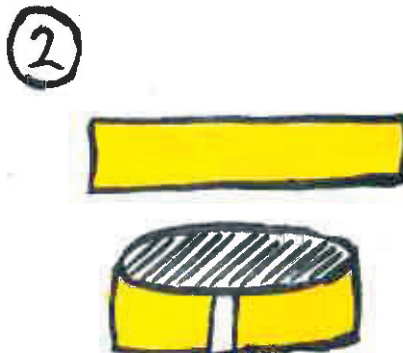
TRY ADDING PATTERN TO YOUR SHAPES!

THREAD STRING THROUGH THE 'TUNNEL'. TIE A KNOT AT EACH END AND WEAR!

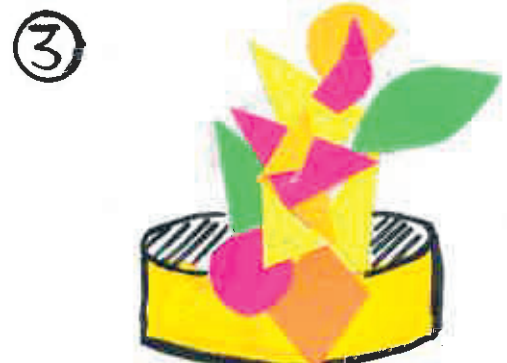
SHAPE HEADRESS



DRAW AND CUT OUT A MIXTURE OF CARD SHAPES. ADD SLITS TO SOME SHAPES.



CUT A LONG STRIP OF THIN CARD. WRAP STRIP AROUND THE WEARER'S HEAD AND TAPE SECURE AT A SNUG FIT.



PLAY AROUND WITH THE SHAPES AND ATTACH TOGETHER WITH TAPE/GLUE OR A STAPLER.



Create a Character

Ages 4-9

Create a character for a story. Depending on age, children may create a new or existing character for a well-known story or a new story of their own.

You will need:

variety of natural materials or clay and scraps from around the house

Starter activity:

Younger children - read a familiar story and discuss their favourite character.

Older children – discuss different story characters and what features they like about them.

Main activity:

Use natural materials, clay, or junk modelling to make the character. For example, tie sticks together to make 'stick man', decorate an old sock or egg box as a 'very hungry caterpillar'. Better still, let children use their imagination e.g. sticking twigs and leaves into clay or mud to make a new character.

Discuss what the character is like. Describe its body parts, how it looks, how it moves and its personality.

Bonus activities:

Make a miniature scene or use the outdoor environment as a play space to tell the story. Let children free play as they develop their ideas.

Once children have created a story with their character, you could film it and share their movie with friends.



Campaign

People throughout time have used banners and posters to protest, campaign and show their messages to the world.

What would you like to tell the world?

Materials:
paper or cardboard to write or draw on
crayons, paints, or felt tips to write your message and decorate

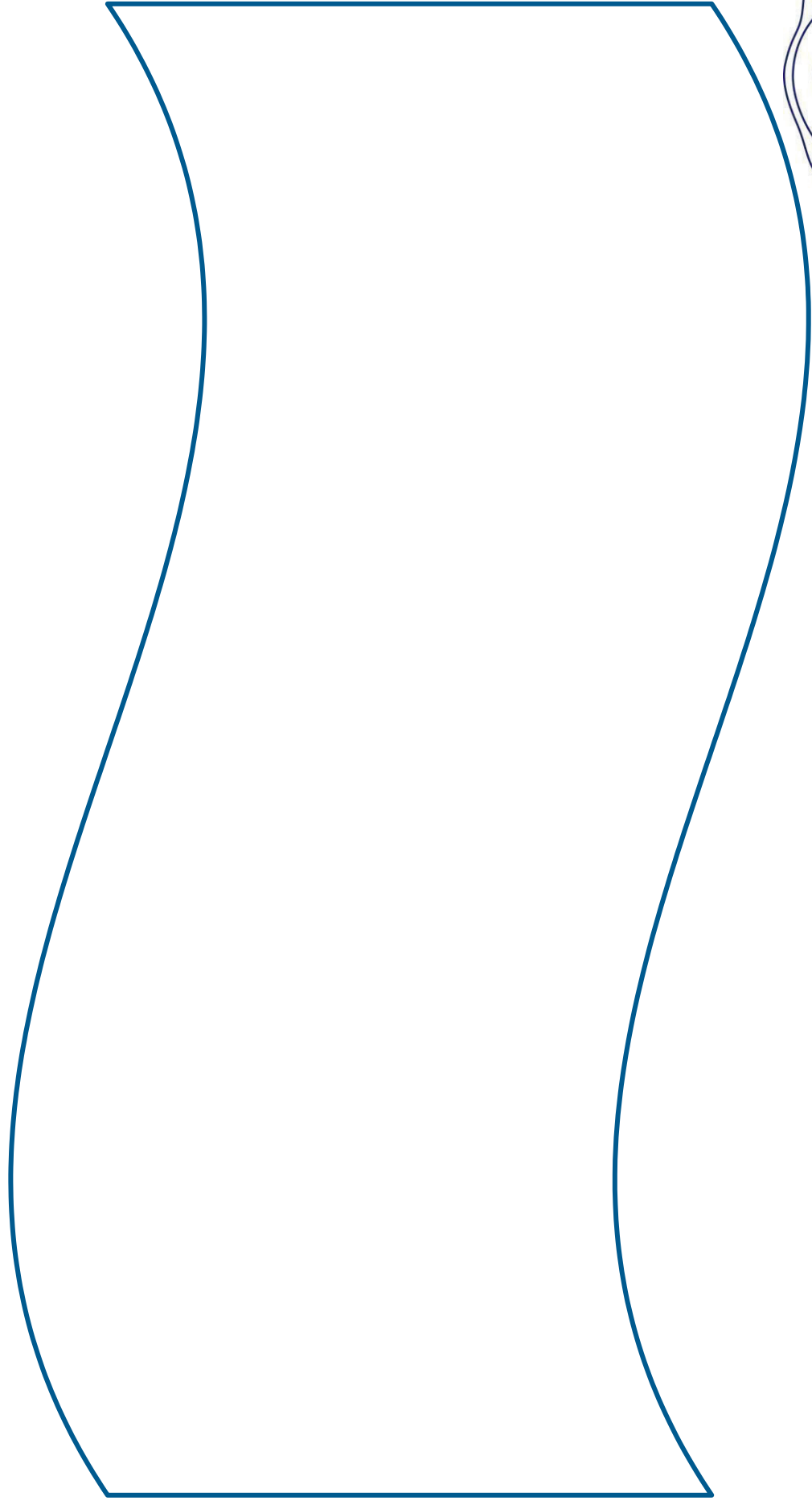


1. On the paper or card, make a poster about something you would like to change in the world OR a message of kindness for your neighbours.
2. Decorate your poster with three of your favourite colours.
3. Display in your window.



Campaign

What would you like to tell the world?



'How to make an Air Twig Loom'

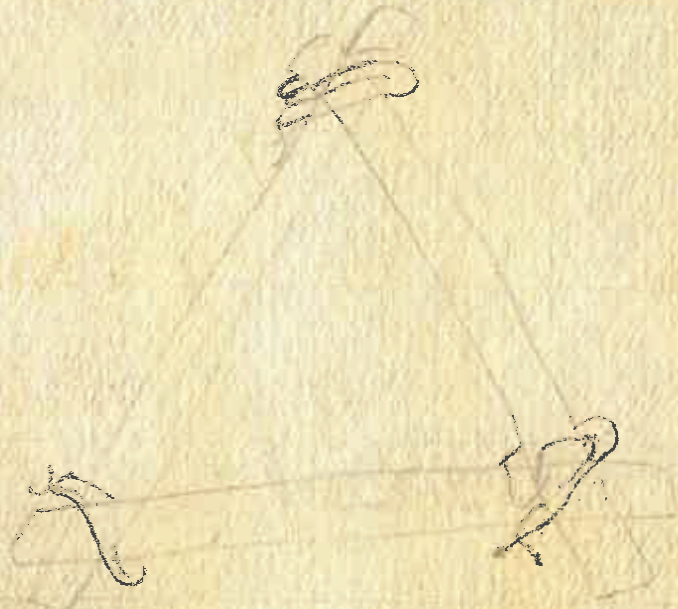
By Rezia Wahid MBE

This activity has been designed to be completed for the marking event of the Walthamstow Garden Party 2020. I also hope and look forward to collecting the end product in order to hang them all together at the Walthamstow Garden Party in 2021.

Materials Needed:

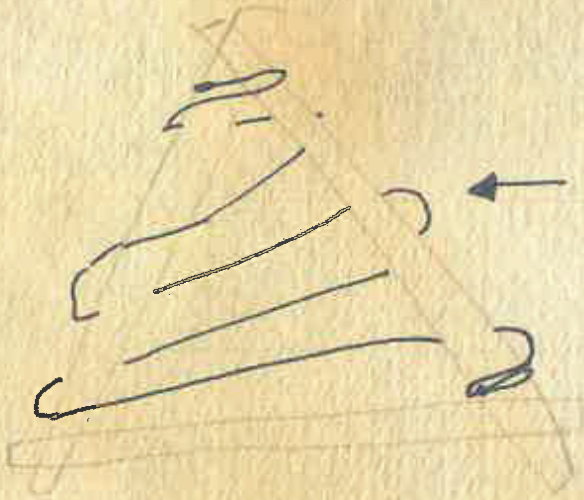
1. Twigs x3 about 30% length each
2. Strings x3 20% length each
3. 1 pair of scissors
4. Threads / yarns / embroidery threads
5. Natural found objects: petals, leaf, grass

2. Forming the 'triangle' shape air twig loom' with the 3 pieces of twigs.



Place the ends of two twigs together on top of one another. Tie them together using the 20cm strings by using double knots. (the strings should go around the twigs x3 before knotting)

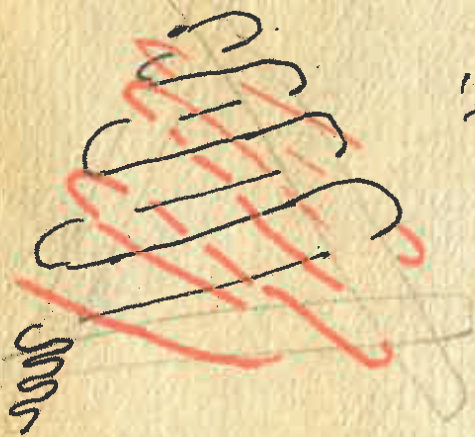
3. How to wrap the warp around the 'triangle' air loom



Tie a string or thread on one of the trigs and wrap it around. Secure with

another double knot or wrap around the trig.

4. How to wrap the weft around the 'triangle' air loom



use a different coloured thread by weaving in

over under over under + tie / secure with knots.

4. Adding decoration to 'triangle' air loom

Collect natural objects such as petals, grass, leaf and textured yarns. Add these by weaving it in within the warp and weft inner part of your twig air loom. You can also embellish the twigs by wrapping threads or yarns around them.



5. How the final 'air twig loom' will look



This will be the end result. You can embellish the twig air loom as much as

you like. You can wrap the twigs around with yarns too. Finally, tie a string on your air twig loom and hang it on a tree or somewhere indoor. Enjoy it being moved gently in air.

Concept and written by Rezia Wahid © 2020

Rezia is a weaver, artist and educator.

Prompt Poems

A quick and fun way to get started writing your own poems!
If you get stuck, have a look at the examples beneath each task to help you

You'll need:

- A piece of paper (any kind will do)
- A pen or pencil
- An object that's special or interesting to you – a favourite toy, a piece of clothing, a book – anything you like

What to do:

1. Look at your object for about a minute – what colours can you see? How might it feel? What sounds might it make? What might it smell like?
2. Write down as many ways to describe your object as possible, thinking about how it looks, feels, sounds and smells. You can be as imaginative as you like here...

Example:

Object – house plant

Looks – dark green, zig-zag stripes, leaves, pink petals, stem, roots

Feels – smooth, spikey, cool, delicate, dry

Sounds – rustling leaves, creaking, snapping, sighing gently, crunch

Smells – fresh air, soil, rain

3. Next, write a poem that includes all of the words from your list. You can use them in any order and more than once – play around and see what happens. Your poem can be long, short, rhyming or not rhyming – it's completely up to you!

Example:

House Plant Poem

Under the earth the roots are creaking
They crunch and twist in the dark soil towards the smell of rain
The spikey stem reaches up to the sunlight
The leaves are smooth and dry with dark green, zig-zag stripes
They are rustling in the cool, fresh air
The delicate flowers are smiling
Pretty pink petals sighing gently

We hope you enjoyed writing your poem. If you'd like to try more here are some other ideas for poetry-writing inspiration

- Write another poem using a different object this time round
- Instead of choosing an object to look at, you could start by listening to your favourite song or watching a film and write poems about these things instead
- Or think of a person in your life who is important to you – it could be someone in your family, a friend or a person you look up to. Write a poem about them
- You could even have a go at reading your poems to someone... 😊

Remember: You really can write about anything you like – the possibilities are endless!