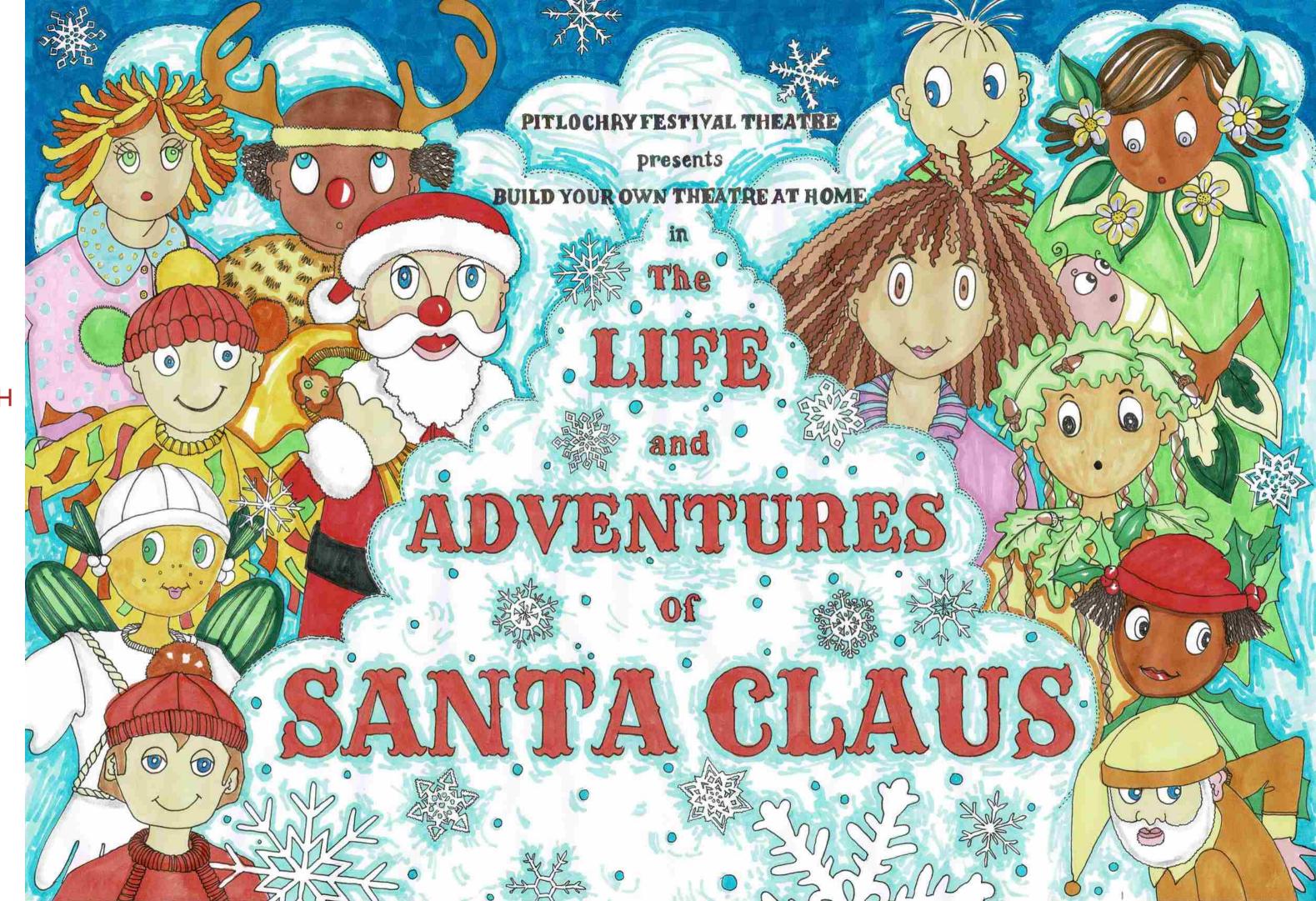


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Hello! My name is Elizabeth.

I'm the Artistic Director of Pitlochry Festival Theatre. While we can't welcome you to the theatre, we've got stories and songs for making your own shows - using easy household items - in your own theatre, in the garden or your living room!

Using the illustrated guide of How to Build Your Own Theatre to make your stage, you can create your own performances inspired by The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus. It has been illustrated by some wonderful artists – Adrian Rees and Trudy Rees-Marklew. You'll meet lots of new characters like Alice and her Mum, the Great Ak, Santa Claus and many more!

We're going to show you how to create your costumes, how you can create a setting for a scene, and how to create lots of beautiful animals like Santa makes in his toy shop! Then, you can perform your very own show with the script! We'd love to see and hear how you've got on. We hope you enjoy making theatre and bringing Christmas magic into your home! Stay safe! Lots of love and have a very Merry Christmas.

Elizabeth x







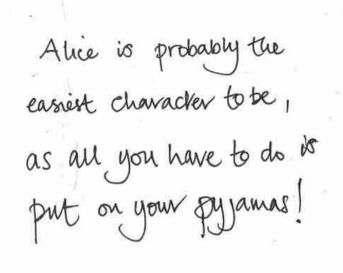
Allice

If you have a rightie, you could also wear that!

Don't forget to have your favourite cat toy with you!









The Mother







Or she could wear a trig dressing gown

It's really up to you!



The Fairy

WHAT YOU NEED TO MAKE THE FAIRY COSTUME

THIS SHOWS
THE BACK OF
THE FAIRY AND
THE POSITION
OF THE WINGS



If you don't want to make this fairy costume, you can make up your own design!

WOOLY HAT



WINGS

WHITE T'SHIRT

If you are allowed to,

Cut the bottom of the

T'shirt into Scallops

and also the sleeves.

GREEN SHORTS

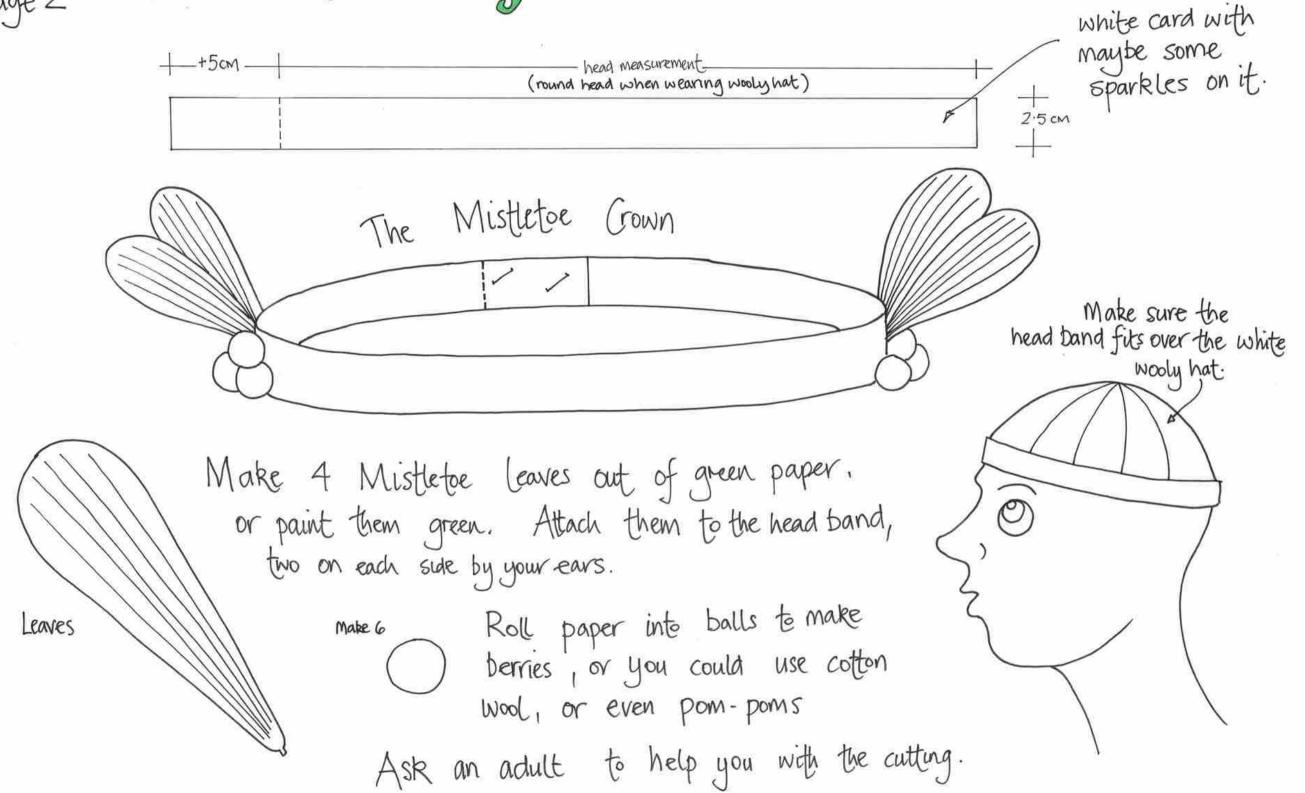
WHITE SOCKS

WHITE TRAINERS



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The Fairy's Mistletoe Crown







The Fairy

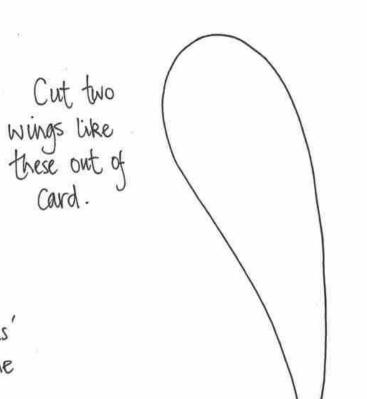
how to make the Fairy's wings.

Fix 2 safety pins to the back of each wing. These will attach to the braces

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Make "braces" out of rubbon, or elastic. They will support the wings

Give berries to base of the wings



Cover the wing shapes with squares of green tissue paper remember to cover both sides

Make 4

fix safety pin to a strip of card with strong sticky tape.
Give them to the wings as shown

Cut the bottom of the T'shirt and sleeves into

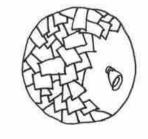
Scallops shapes.

Cut out cardboard circles for berries, or you could make papier maché 3D berries.

Cut two

wings like

Card.



Cut in 2

Paint white, or cover in white paper

Cover a round balloon with papier maché



Necile

how to make Necile's head band.

you will need a plastic head band

Cut ivy shaped leaves out of thin paper. Cut twice as many as you need.

Sandwich a 10 cm piece of were between two leaves Glue the leaves tegether

3 Take 10 cm length of wire, bend over one end and twist.

Wrap yellow tissue paper round the Gp with the Loop

5 Cut out flower shapes in Ussue paper.

Crayon Shading around the edge

Shade in the flowers with lilac crayon to represent wild ivy.

Make two extra for the slippers

8 Attach flowers and Leaves to the head band



See left for how to make Necile's head dress.

Necklace (see next page) BIG BIG green T-shirt Cut "V" shapes into the sleeve ends and around the bottom.

Barby Claus can be a doll wrapped in a pullow case

Belt, leaves (see next page)

Fix left-over flowers and leaves to the green T-shirt with safety puis

> Slippers with flowers wired on.

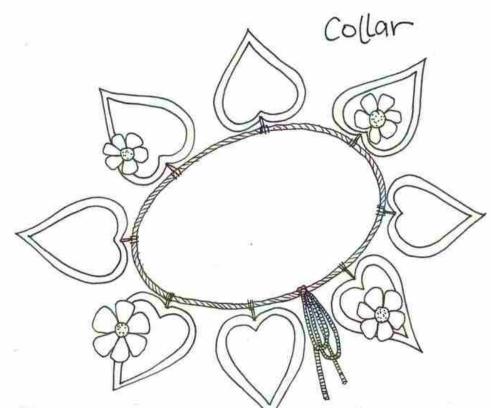




Necile

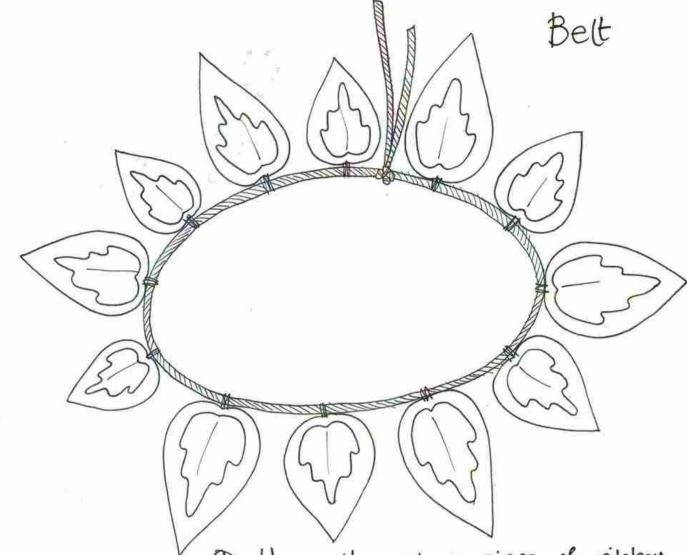
how to Make Necile's collar and belt.

Page 2



I Find a piece of ribbon that will the comfortably around your neck. IT MUST NOT BE TOO TIGHT.

- 2 Make the leaves bigger than the ones on Necile's head dress. They have a contrast colour ontop.
- 3 Fix the leaves to the collar ribbon with the wire
- 4 Cut the flower shapes as before, but do not use wire. Cut a circle of yellow paper for the centre of each flower. Give them in place on the collar and maybe use safety pins for the dress/T-swirt.



D you will need a piece of ribbon that will tie comfortably round your waist.

2 Make the leaves in the same way as on the previous page. These leaves have a Contrasting colour leaf shape stuck on top.

3 Use the wires to attach the leaves to the waist/belt ribbon.





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how to Make the Great Ak's Staff

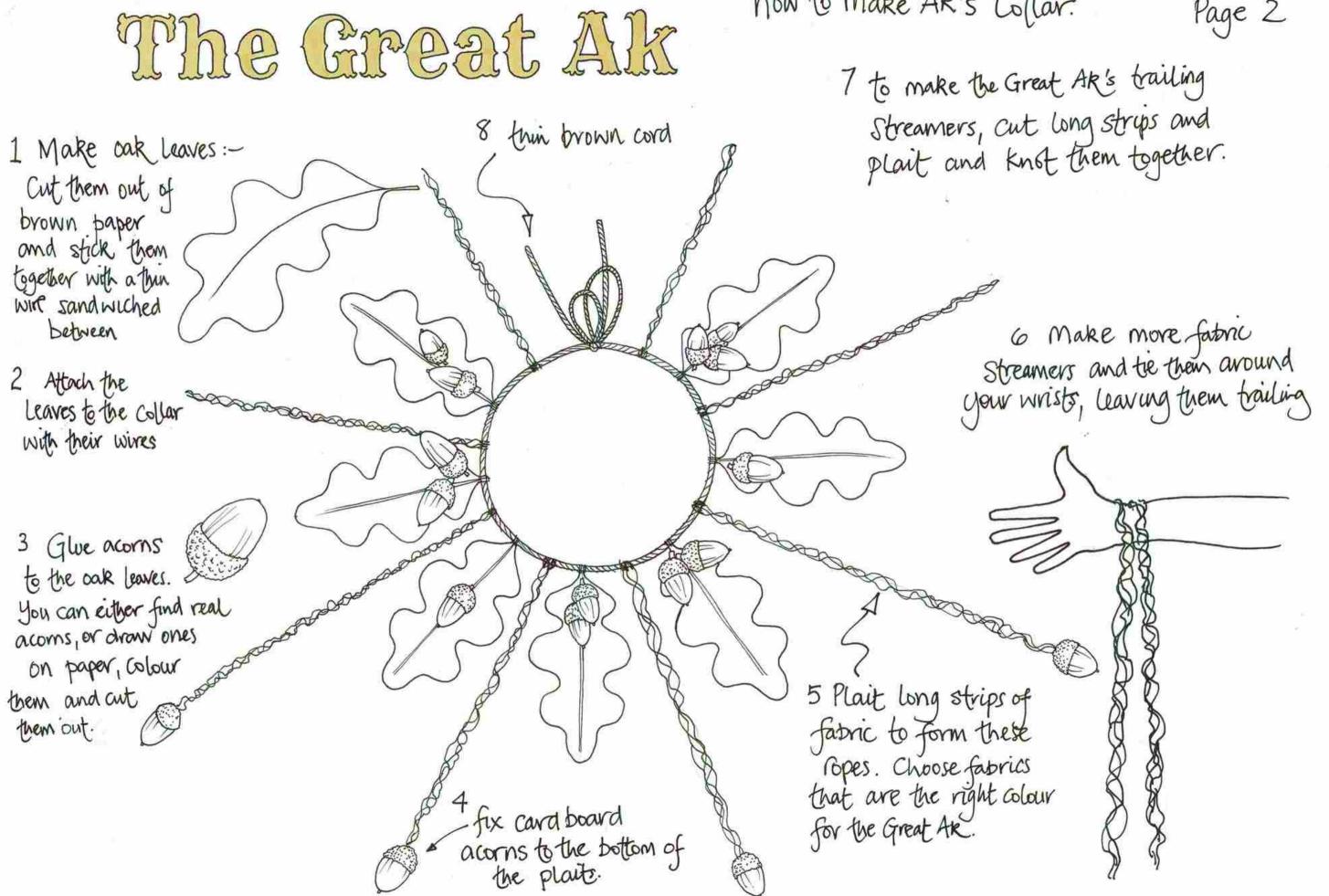
Draw a big acorn
on a piece of yellow
card. Cut it out and
then add bots of
detail with crayons
and felt typed
pens
fix the acorn to
the top of a
broom handle

Draw lots and lots of acorns on yellow and and give them to pieces of brown wool. These are to be field to the pole near the big acorn.









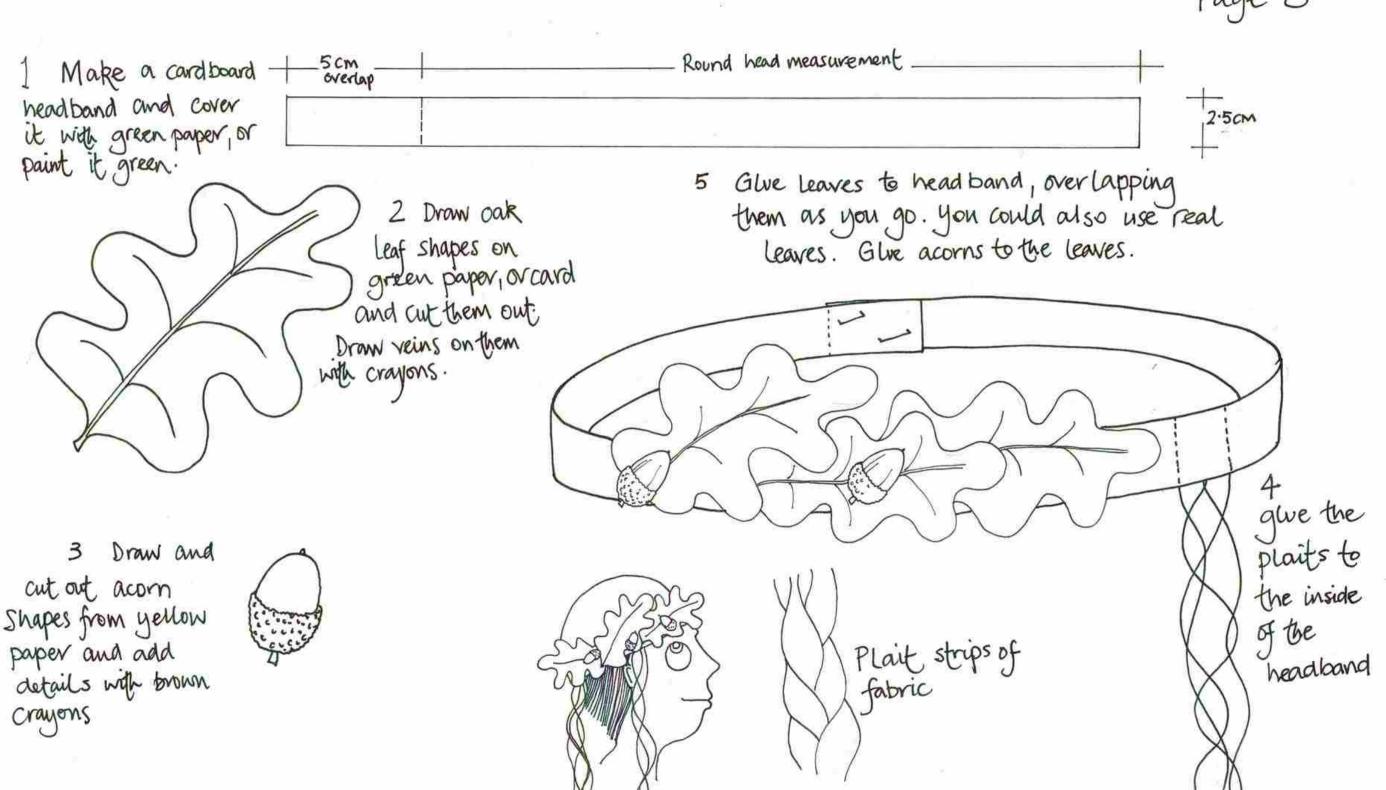




The Great Alk

how to make the Great AK's Crown

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Knook

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how to make knooks head dress

Head measurement over topof wooly hat

Cut a strip of red card with 5cm extra.

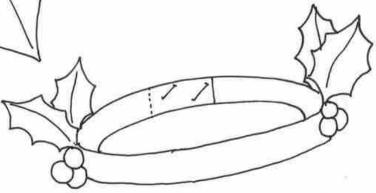
It should be long enough to go over the

hos

fixed the stripends together to form the head band.

Cut holly leaves out of green paper

Make berries out of rolled up paper, or use pom-poms.



fix the berries and Leaves to the head band over the ears.

how to make knook's clothes

Red wooly hat with head band over the top, as shown at left

Holly Leaf necklace

Green T'shirt with shaped sleeves

Holly leaf waist

Green shorts with shaped bottom

Red wellington boots

Ask an adult to help you!





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now to make Knook's collar and waistband.

Green ribbon for waistband.



cord, or string

Draw some Holly bleaves onto Card - either green card, or paint them green - and cut them out. Then, attach them to the collar cord with small safety pins and clear sticky tape.

Cut out two large holly leaves from green card.

Fix them to the ribbon waistband with safety prins and clear study tape

for the holly berries out of red card, or paint them red.

Glue them to the

two large holly leaves.

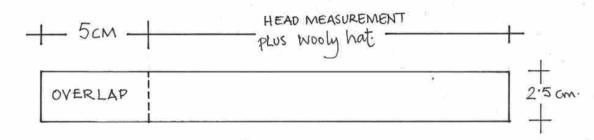
SHORTS LEG

Cut half circles into the bottom of the shorts and also into the bottom of the T'shirt sleeves

Ask an adult to help you with the Cutting and sticking.



Knook as the reindeer



Staple the card strip together,

Over Lapping the 5cm

cut nose shape

Staple authors to the head band as shown

Cut strips of brown tissue and

give them to the head band and down to the red nose Staple the nose to the headband

> Paint nose circle red.

draw 2 antlers on

to a piece of brown courd

Cut the anthers out and wrap them in strips of crèpe paper to make them look furry







Knook's Reundeer Costumo

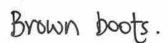
The Antler Head dress (see left)



Fake fur collar, if you can find one, or a piece of fake fur that you can trim to fit

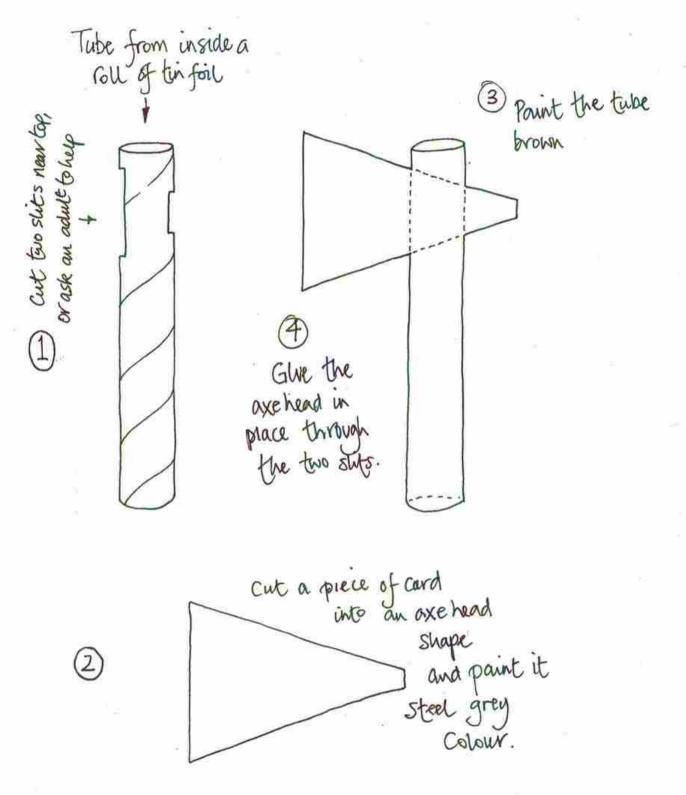
See if you can find an old brown coat. If it's too big, all the

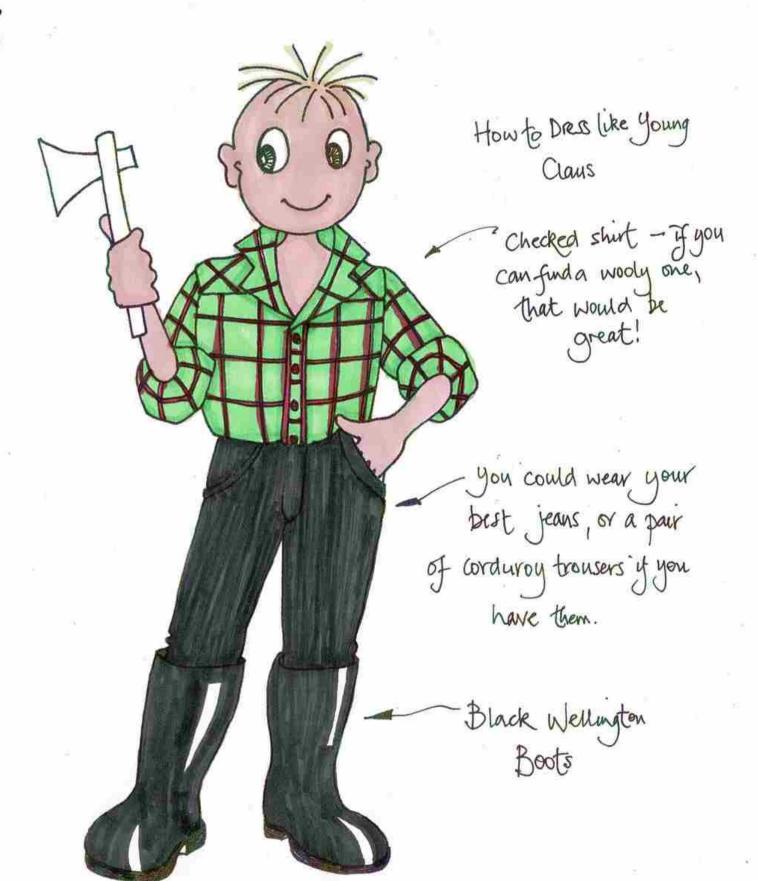
Fund some brown wooly gloves and wear





Young Claus









Adult Claus

Claus has grown up now.

He could

now wear

all sorts

of clothes.



He could wear a nice Jacket.

Why don't you look through the ward robe!





It's all really up to you!

wear a big

Jumper and

a wooly hat.



Claus as a clown

Put the two pieces

of card together and

of wood through it

Carefully pass a thread

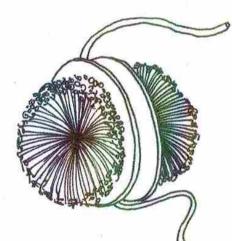
again and again, until

it is completely covered.

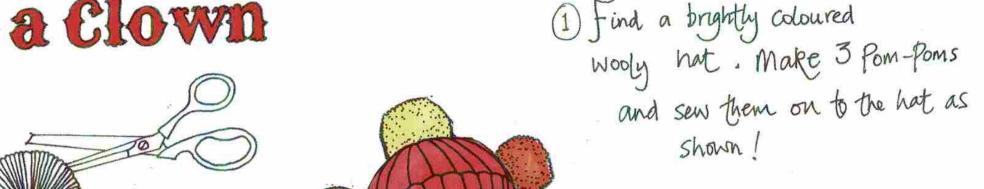
How to Make a Pom-Pom!



cut two circles of card as big as the Pom Poms you want. Cut a central hole in each one.



when the wool has been cut all the way round, the a length of wool between the card circles until all the wool is trapped securely



Ask a grown up

to cut the wool

between the courds

with sassors all

the way round.

Ask a grown up to carefully

cut away the card and

then you can fuff up the wood and sew it to the hat.



find a BIG

Jumper and sew,

or pin on to it

loss of different coloured

ribbons, or strips of

colourful faibric intil

you've completely covered it.

3 you can use

the same trousers

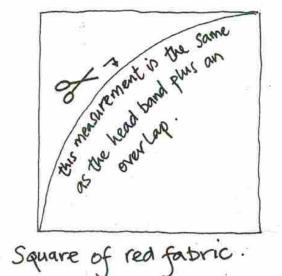
and Weilington Boots

as before.



Claus as an Old Man

How to Make old Claus's Mask and Head Dress



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Measure your head and add 5 cm. Cut a strip of cardboard 2.5 cm deep and the length of your measurement

Staple the card strip together overlapping the 5cm

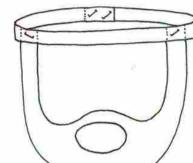
cut out a

beard shape in

card and attach

to the head band,

as shown



Find a BIG shirt and wear it like a right shirt

it makes a Cone

Glue the straight edges together no that

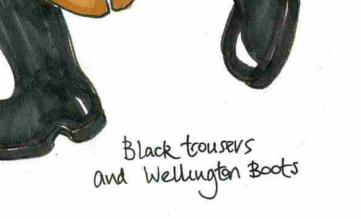
> The the cone to the winde of the head band

> > Glue cotton wood onto head band

criepe paper and give the top part of each strip

to the beard shape, starting at the bottom and overlapping as you go







Santa Claus

How to make Santa's hat. Part One

THIS

MEASUREMENT IS

THE SAME AS THE

INSIDE MEASUREMENT

OF THE HEADBAND

AS SEEN ON NEXT

PAGE.

The piece of cloth-red.

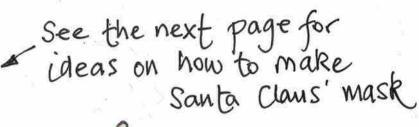
Cut it into a square.

Draw an arc with a piece of chalk and cut along it.

2) Fold the two straight edges together, or sew them of you'd prefer

ball of Cotton wool to the point:

Pellow case





How to Make Santa Claus' outfit.

find a red jacket, or cardigan, or jumper.

Sew cotton wool to the Cuffs like fur. Also put Some round neck for a fur Collar sew buttons down the front. Make a belt out of a long strip of black card or paper. Cut a square of card with a Square hole in the middle for the buckle and paint it gold. stick it to the front of the belt. Wear a pair of black trousers and black wellington boots.



Santa Claus

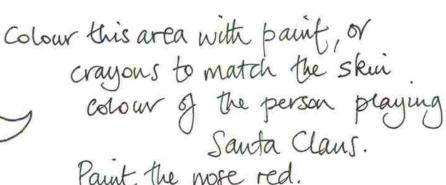
Cut a strip of card that is your head measurement plus 5cm overlap and it is 2.5cm deep 12.5 CM OVERLAP 6 form the cord into a ring and staple together, overlapping the 5 cm Glue Cotton wool on to the beard Cut a support strip Shape, making sure for the mask and it is the same shape both sides. fix it at the front of the head band as shown page card shape for face fold a prece of. card, or thick paper in half. Draw out Santa's face Shape on one side as seen at Cut the shape out through both pieces of card. Paint the mose red. Open the cavit out and fix it to the head band as shown at 5

Glue more cotton wool around the head band.



Fix the red fabric cone onto the inside of the head band.

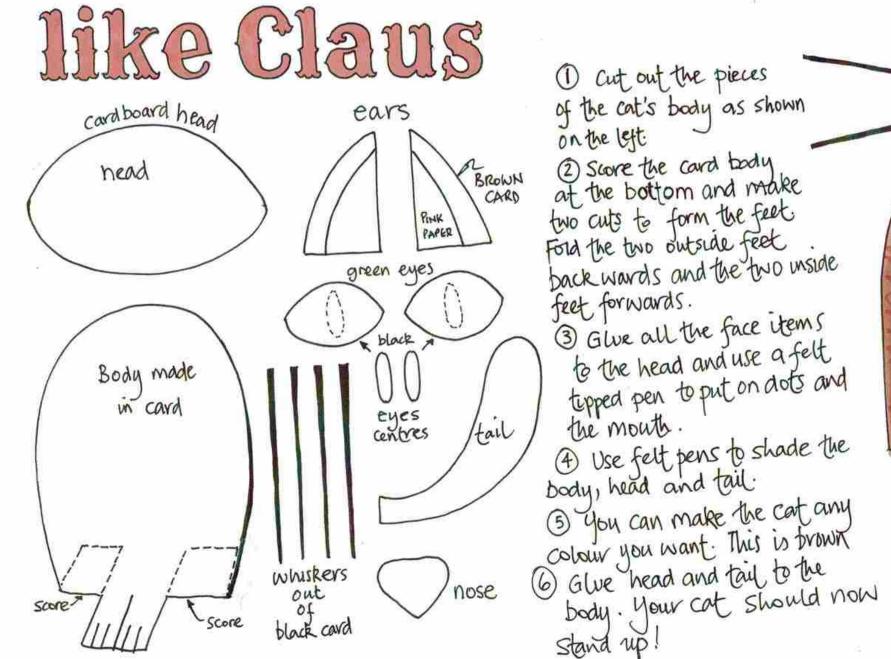
fabric cone from previous



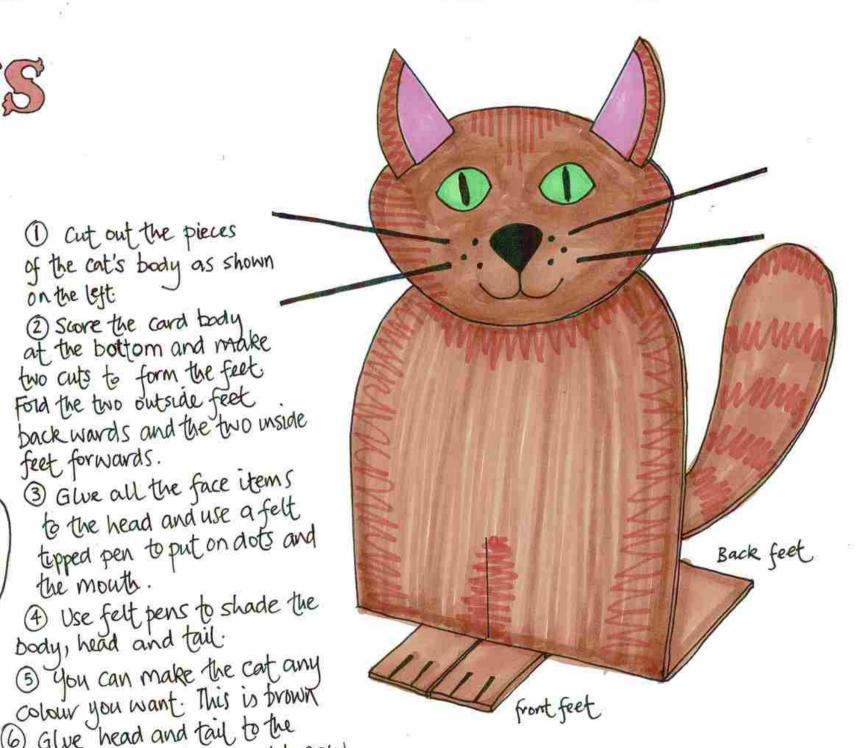


Ask an adult to help you with this project!

Make some amimal toys



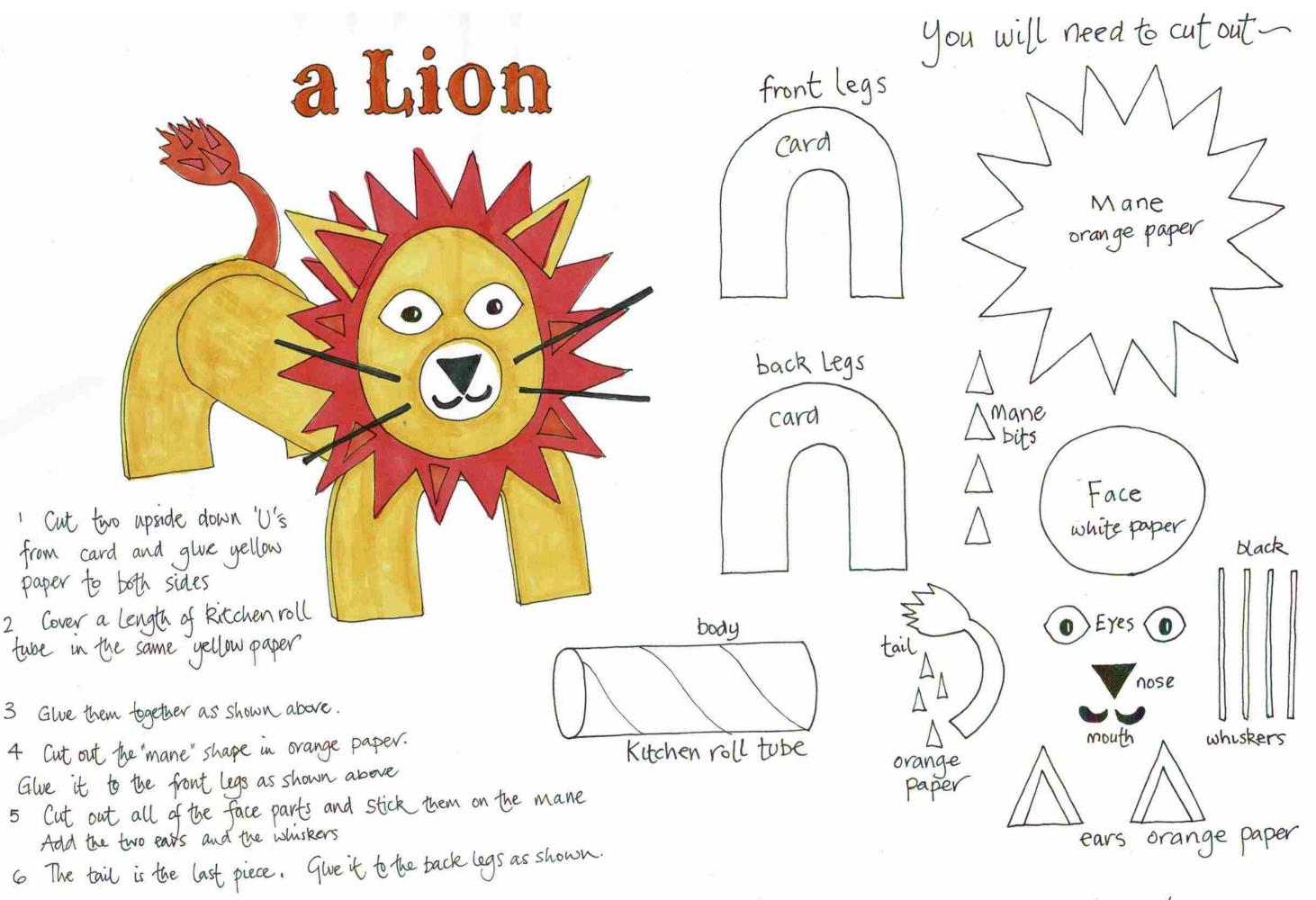
a Cat



Ask an adult to help you cut the shapes out





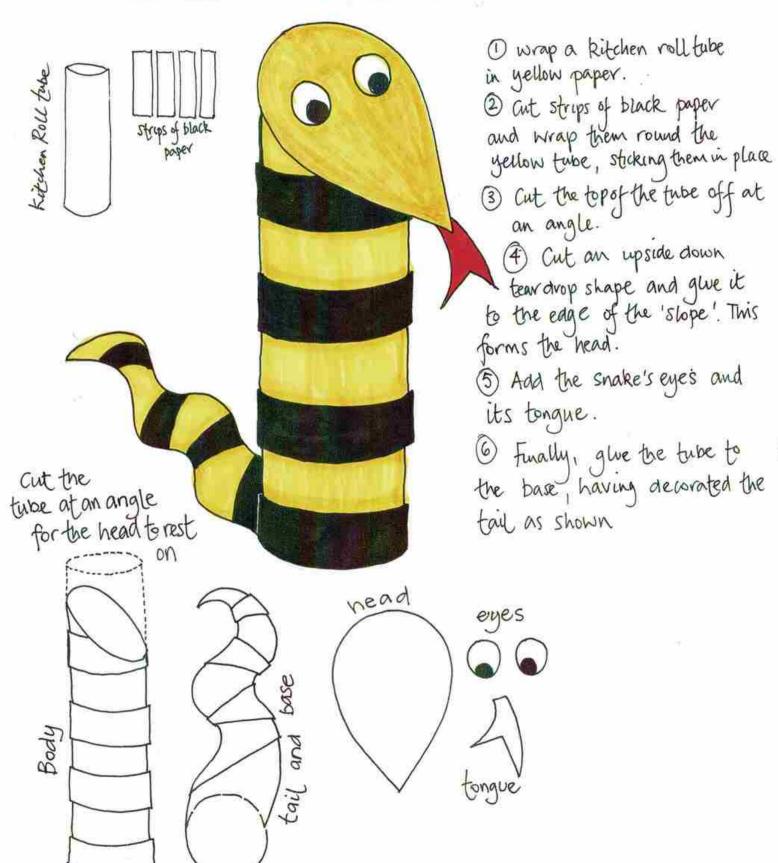






Ask an adult to help you cut things out!

a Snake



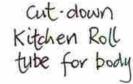
an Elephant

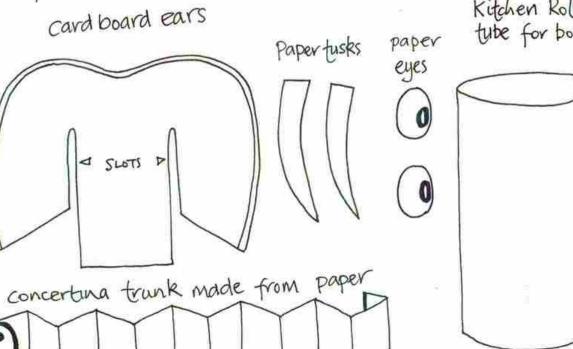
THEATRE

1 Cut a section from a cardboard kitchen roll tube and coverit in grey paper.

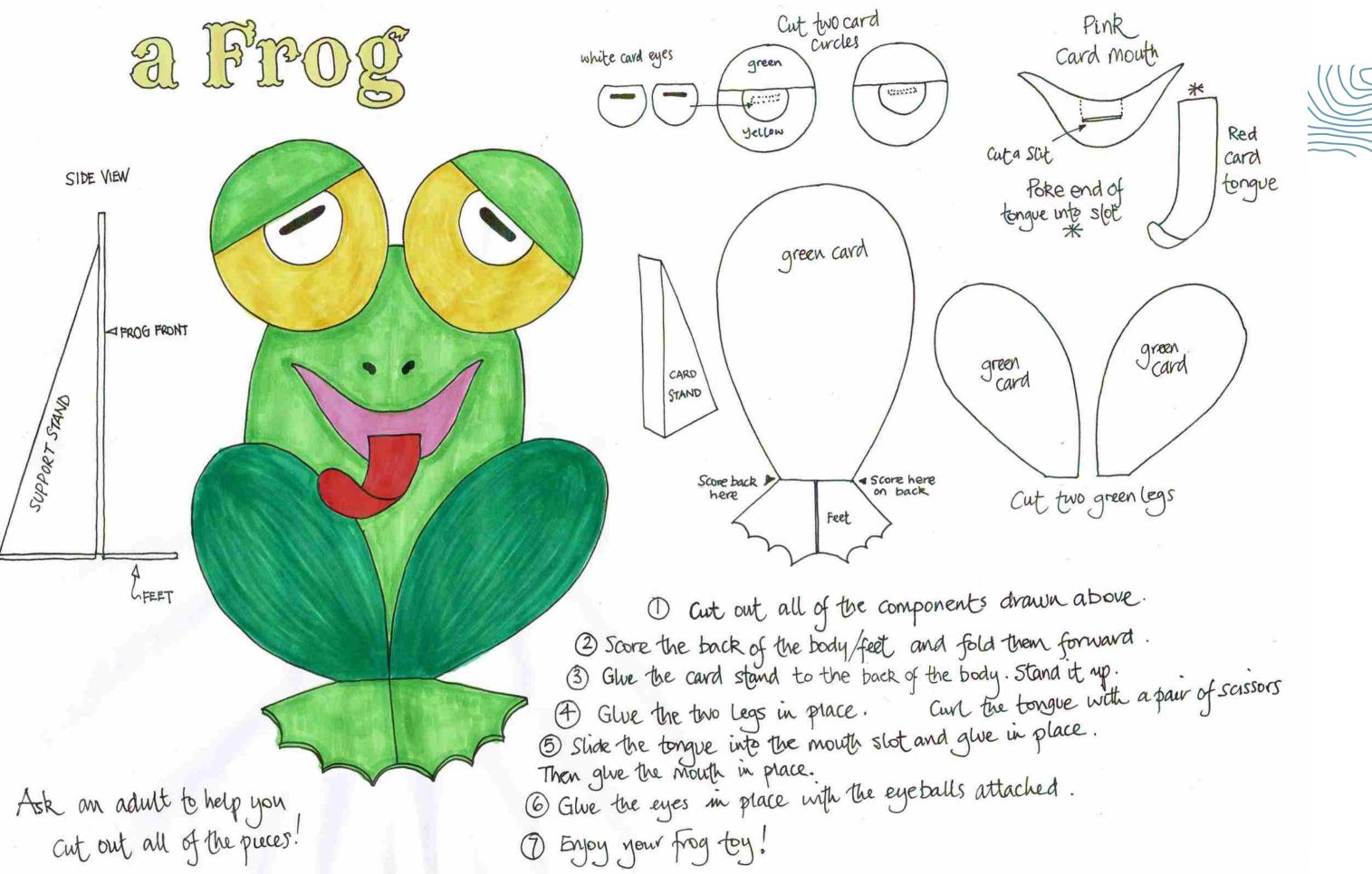
Dat out two tusks and two eyes from white paper and Stick them on as shown.

3 Concertina a thin prece of paper as shown at the bottom of this page. This is the trunk. fix it to the "face" with give. Ecut out the elephant's ears as shown below and use the slots to slide it into prace. That's your elephant!









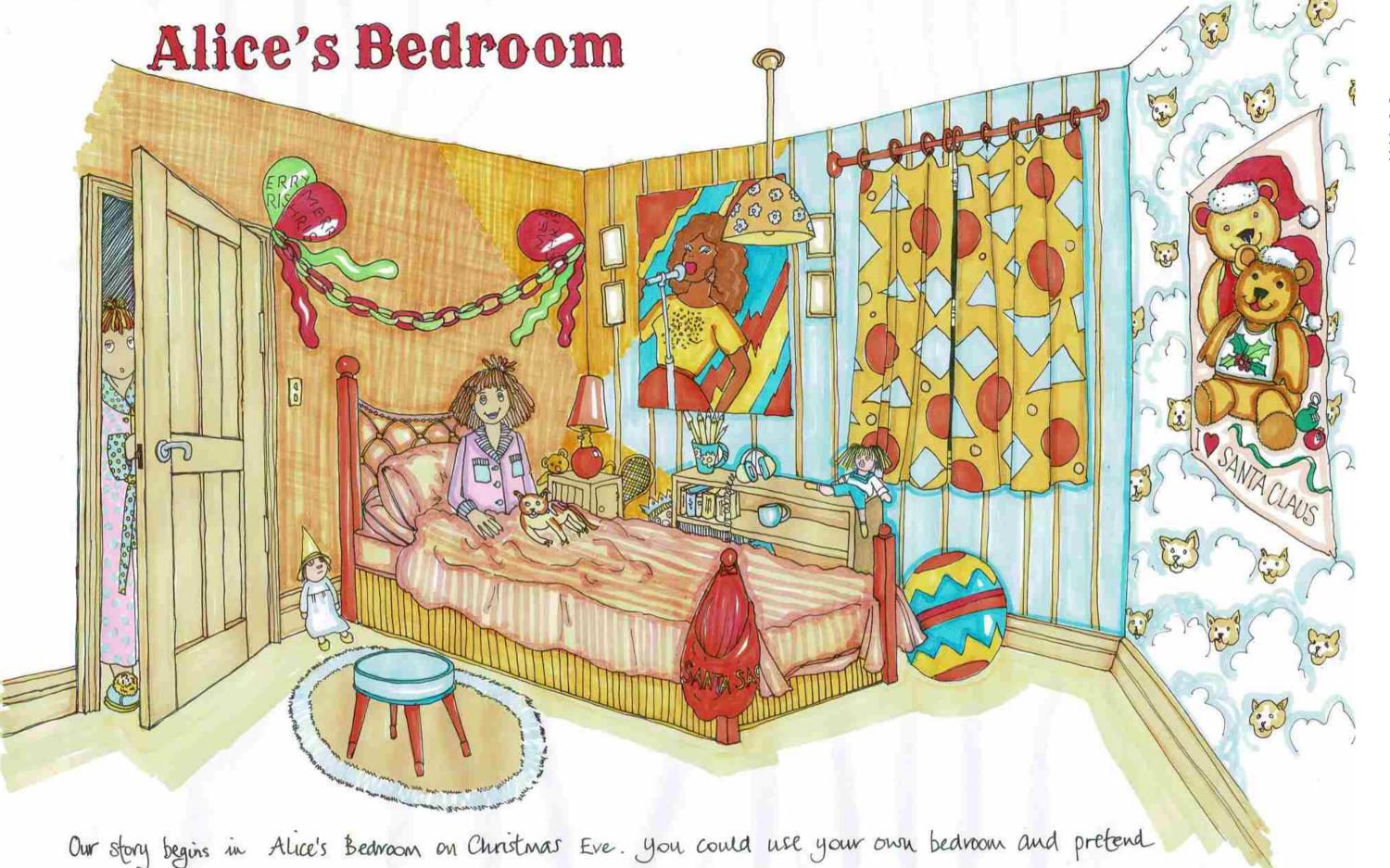
















That it's Alice's Bedroom on Christmas Eve. You could use your own bedroom and pretend that it's Alice's. Maybe you could put a few christmas decorations up and get ready to start our story.

The Burzee Forest

Create your own forest at home in the corner of a room







You can make the Burgee Forest in many ways. You could ask an adult if you can bring the big house plants into one room and group them all together. Then you could make some trees and bushes as described on the following pages, and add them to the group. It would be fun to add some of your togs to be the enchanted folk.

How to Make a tree

make 4 equal cuts

If you want to make a taller tree, tape two, or more tubes together.

flaps and tape them to a card base

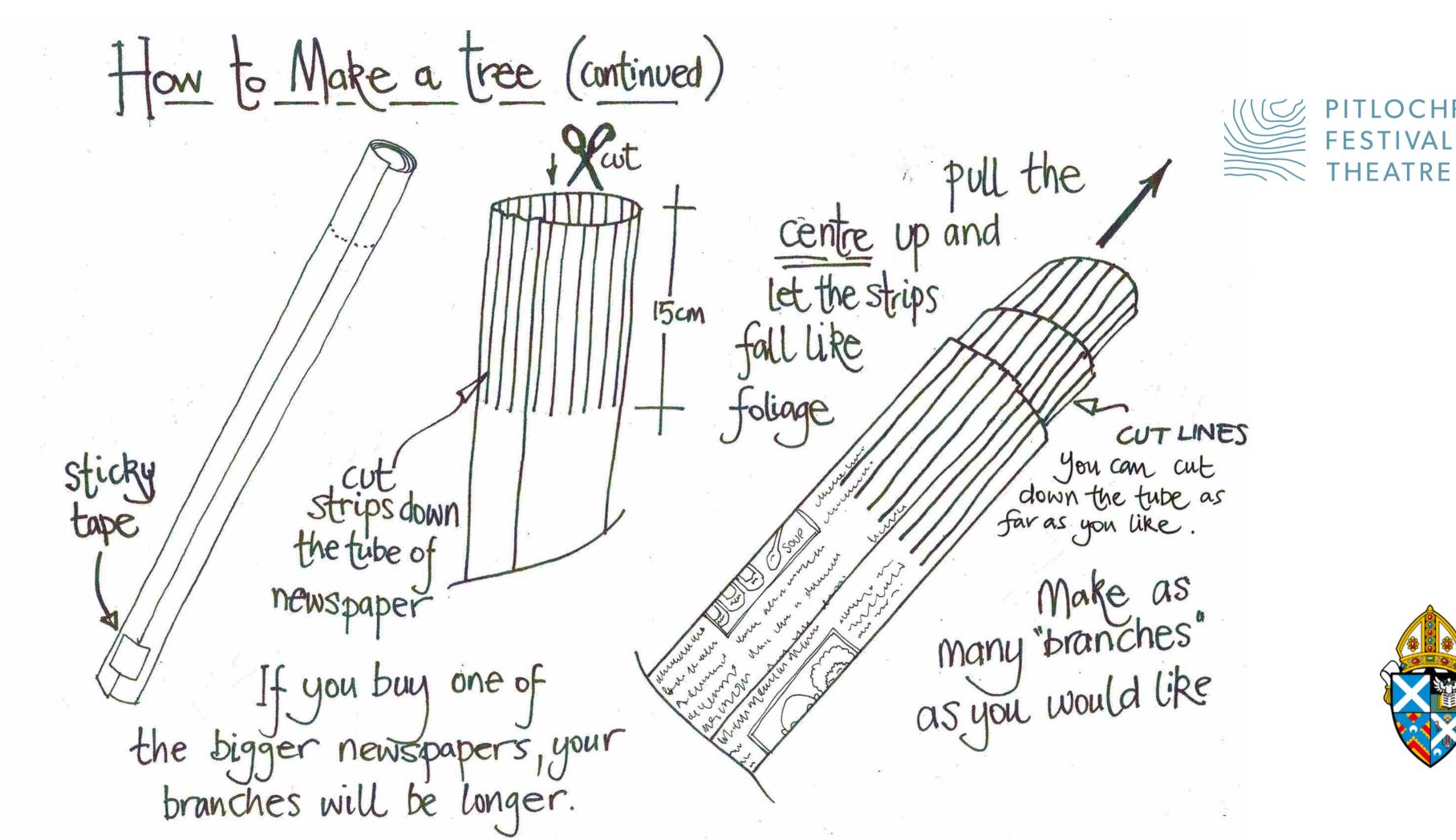
Take a sheet of newspaper. Get the piggest one

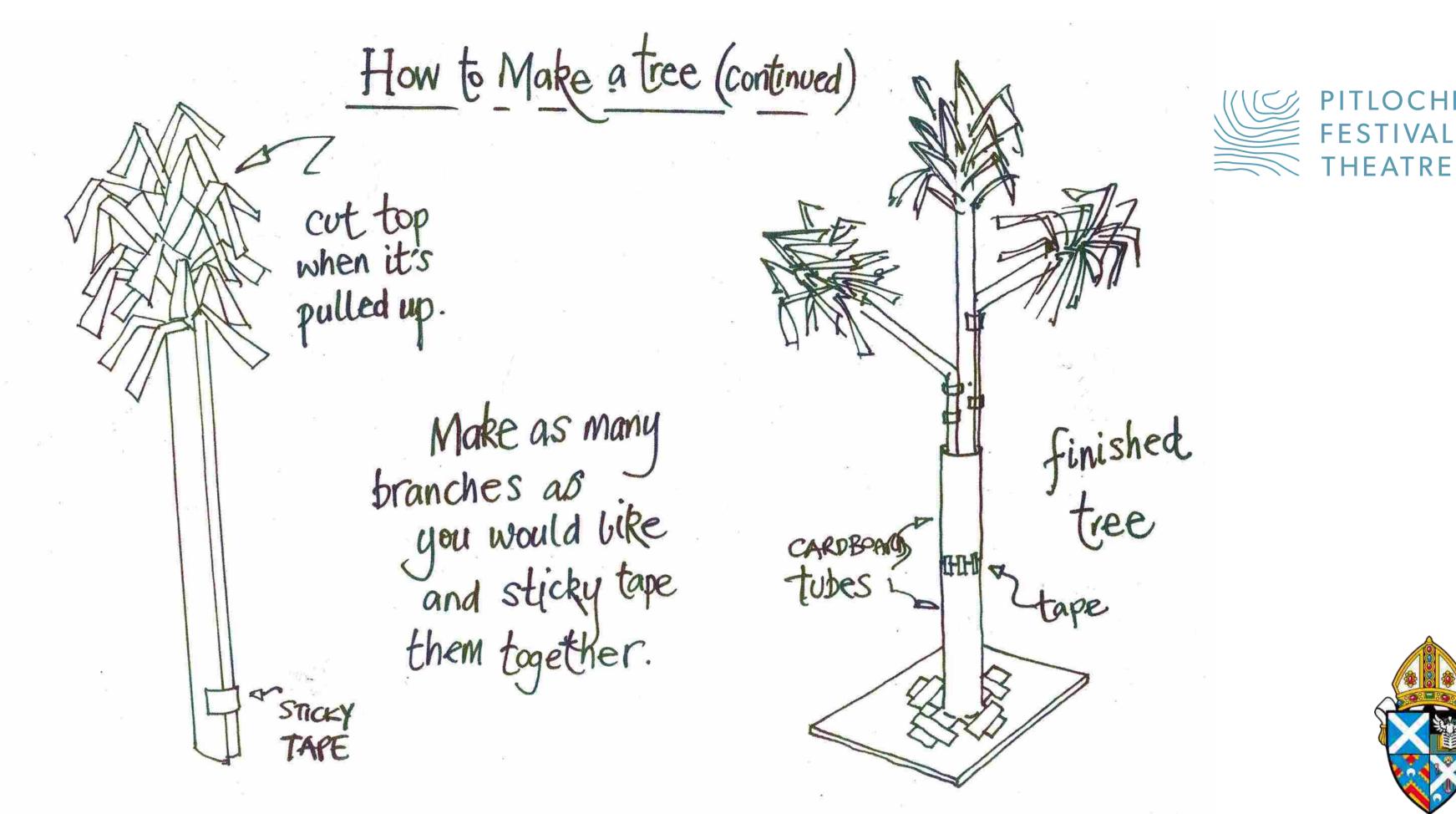


Roll up the sheet and fix at the bottom of one end with sticky tape

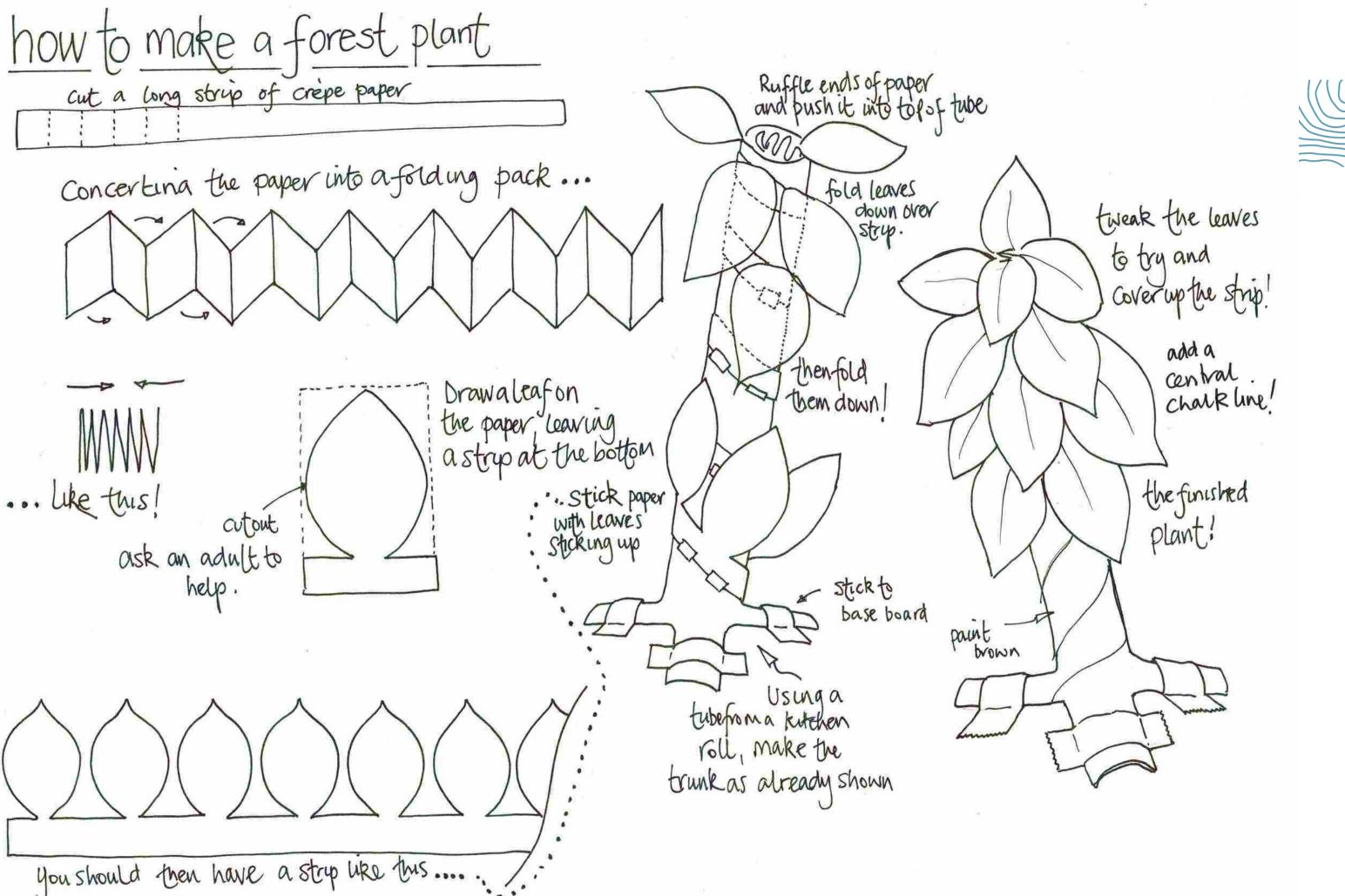
Use one sheet for each branch,







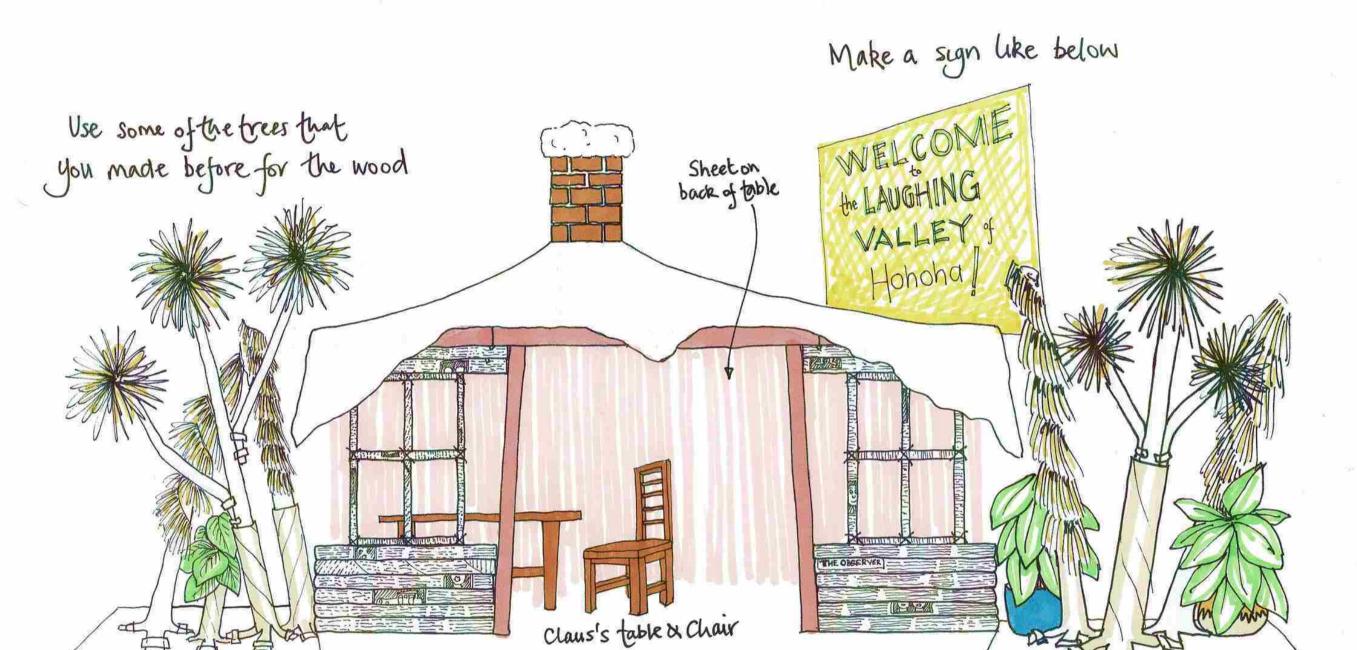








The Laughing Valley and Claus's Cabin



When Claus moves to the Laughing Valley, Knook and his friends make him a cabin out of felled trees! To make the Valley, you can use some of the trees you made for the Burzee Forest. Claus's Cabin could be made from the Kitchen table. Open the leaves (if your table has them) and then put a card board box on the top. Drape a white sheet everit, like snow, and lot it hang over the edge in places. Paint bricks on another box and put it on top of the other box, making a chimney. The walls and windows are described on the next page!



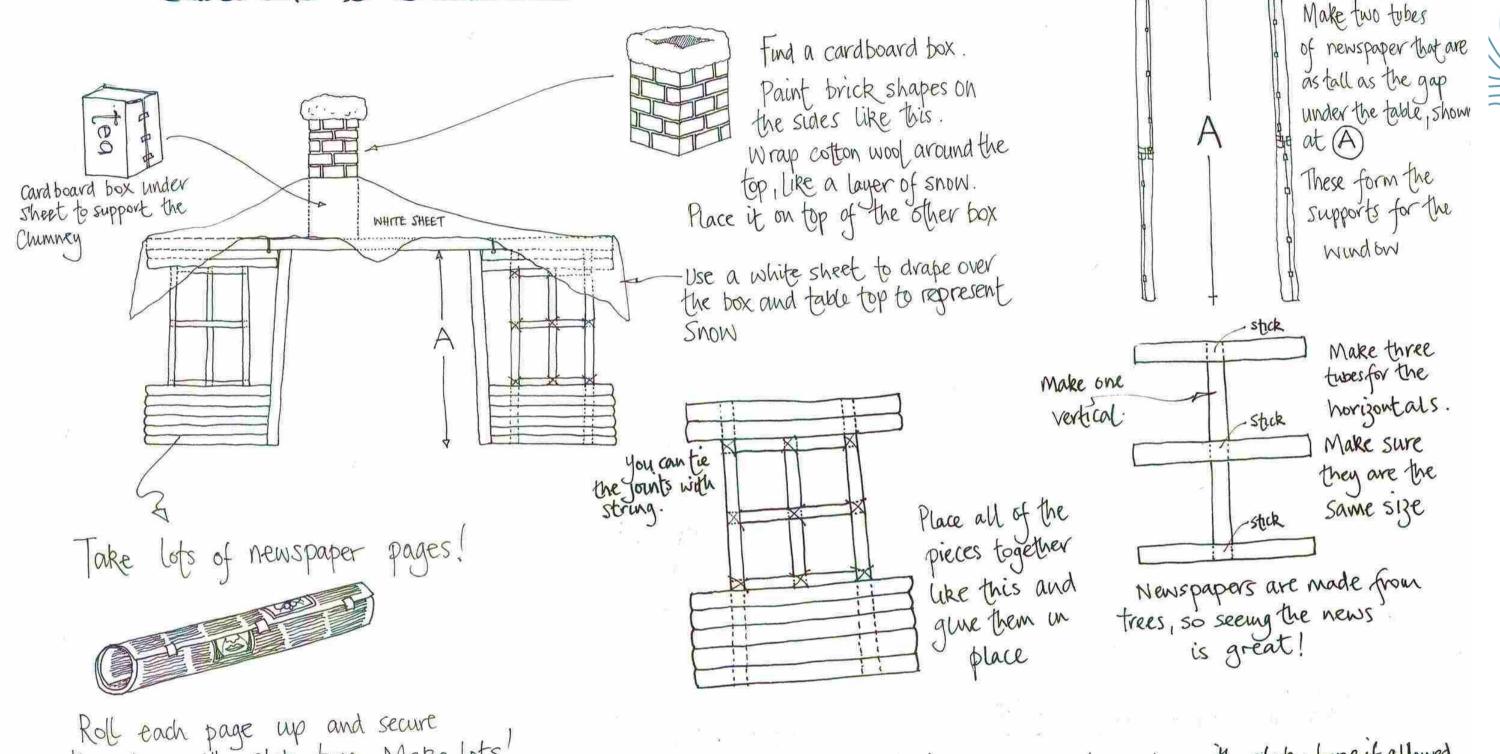


Claus's Cabin

the edges with sticky tape. Make lots!

Stick the rolls together

as shown here. tape both sides.



Fix each window unit inder the table top with sticky tape, if allowed.

you can ask an adult to help you put this all together!

Have fun!



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Claus as a clown on stage

When Claus dresses

as a clown and
performs on stage, you

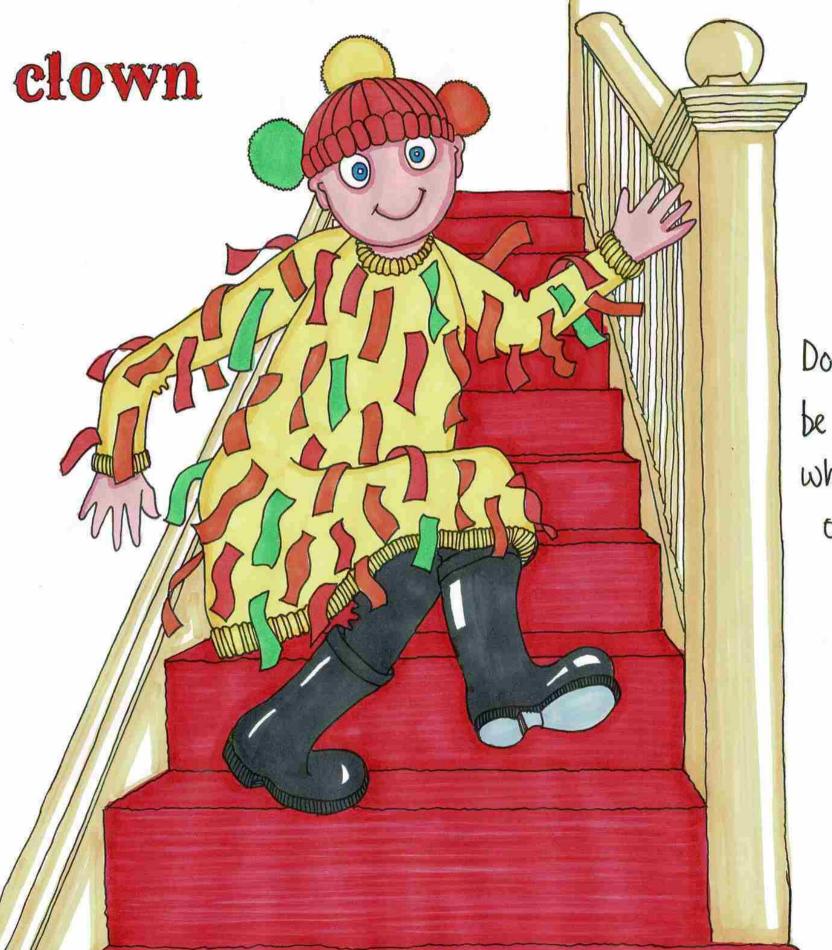
could use the bottom few

Steps of the staircase to stand on.

If you don't have stairs,

you could use an open

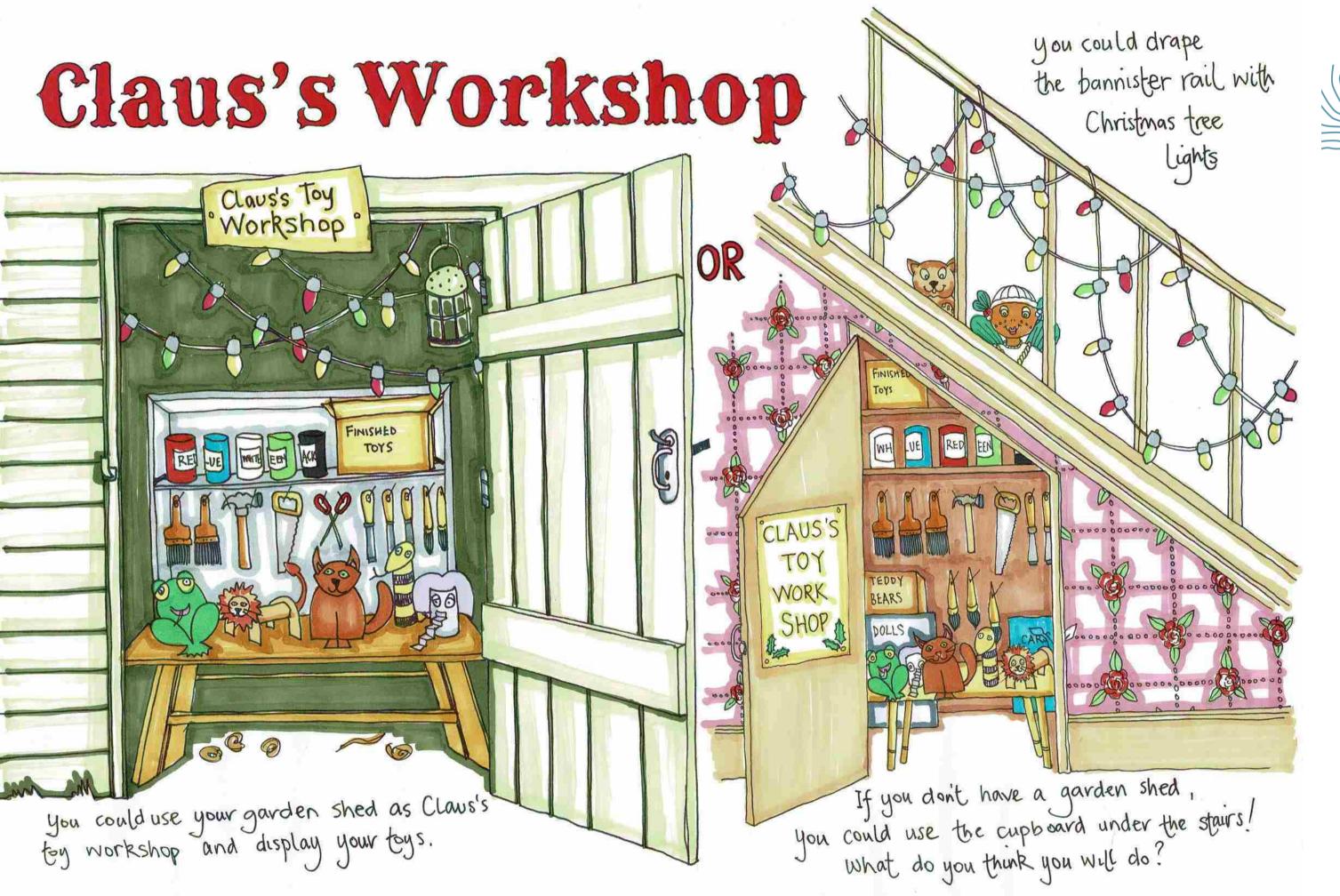
doorway!





Don't forget, be very careful when you ove on the stairs!











With our Build Your Own Theatre guide you can:

1) Dress up as the character Pick your favourite character and dress up as them. You could visit us in costume!

2) Create your own performance at home!
Using the guide, you could make toys like Santa Claus does in his workshop, make the setting for Santa's workshop and then perform this scene:

Script inspired by The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus. Written by Rhys Watson

Santa is in his workshop making toys to deliver on Christmas Eve. He especially loves making wooden toys, and takes a lot of care and pride in them. Santa is working on a wooden toy cat as Jack enters.



JACK: Claus? Claus? Ah, back in here again, I should have known. Are you not tired of this Claus? It's been 237 years



SANTA: Tired of Christmas? Impossible, how can I be tired of something that brings so much happiness to the children of the world?

JACK: The days are shorter and it's darker for longer not to mention people's noses running more than Usain Bolt.

SANTA: Jack, not everything has to be so doom and gloom.

JACK: Your joy for these trinkets really melts my heart Claus... you know how dangerous that is.

SANTA: Toys Jack, they're toys. Even you can't deny the smile that these toys put on children's faces is magical!

JACK: That may be Claus but, as it stands, these 'toys' are far from purrrrrfect.

SANTA: Well, Your Coolness, what would you suggest?







SANTA: Brave like you? Remind me not to leave Mrs Claus' hairdryer on or you'll end up a puddle on the ground again.

JACK: That happened one time, when will you let it go? If not a lion, then how about a frog, poisonous and agile?

SANTA: Hop along Jack, you can't give a poisonous frog to children!

JACK: A polar bear then, the coolest of all the animals.

SANTA: Now you're talking Jack. I knew we'd make a good team.

JACK: A team? I like the sound of that, maybe I could take a ride on that sleigh of yours some time, I've never seen the world before.

SANTA: What a great idea, Jack! Help me this Christmas. Like you said it's been 237 years, I could use a hand!





JACK: I'll do you one better 'old man'. I'll give you two

SANTA: Ho Ho Ho, very good Jack! You're already getting into the Christmas spirit!

JACK: Careful what you're saying Claus, I have a reputation to keep up.

SANTA: Oh Jack, one day I'll have you as rosy-cheeked as the elves around here.

JACK: Maybe, when the world freezes over. Stay frosty Claus, I must see a princess about an ice castle.

SANTA: Don't go for too long, we leave tonight at midnight! Ho Ho Ho!







3) Create your own happy sketch to entertain the family!

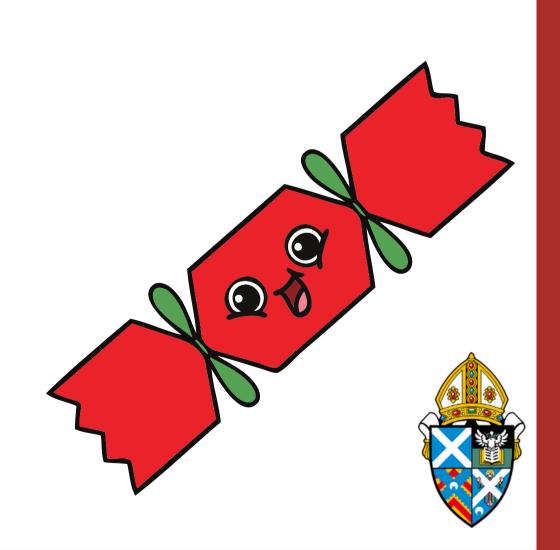
Claus wants to make other people happy and he dresses up as a clown. You could do the same and perform these jokes to your friends and family to make them giggle!

Why was the turkey in the pop group?
Because he was the only one with drumsticks!

What do frogs wear on their feet?
Open toad sandals

Why can't Christmas trees knit?
Because they always drop their needles!

What says Oh Oh Oh?
Santa walking backwards!





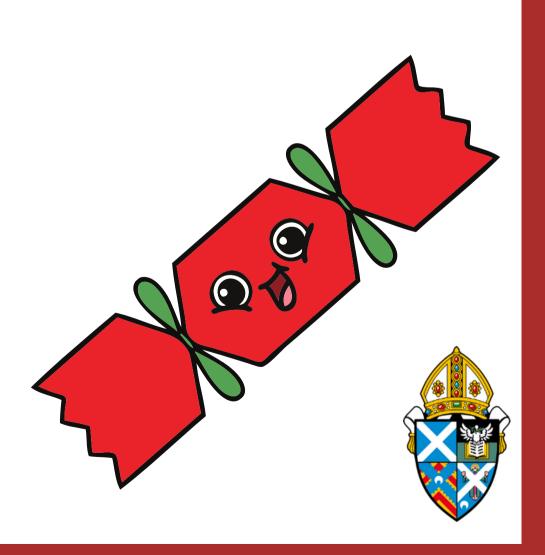


What do snowmen eat for lunch? Iceburgers!

What do you get if you cross Santa with a detective? Santa Clues!

What do you get if you cross Santa with a duck? A Christmas Quacker!

What's green, covered in tinsel and goes ribbet ribbet? Mistle-toad!





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