

Once upon an adventure



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HELLO!

This booklet is full of ideas to help you make up stories.

You can draw and write in its pages.

And you can cut things out, too!

Like this:

A hood for you to
wear on your head.



Ask an adult to help you cut it out, and find something to tie it under your chin, like string.

Now you're Little Red Riding Hood.

Or would you prefer to be the Wolf?

If so, turn to the back of the booklet...

BECOME PART OF THE STORY!

Transform yourself
into Little Red Riding
Hood, or the Wolf.

What will you collect in your basket?

Create a hiding den,
maybe under a
table, in your bed
or behind a tree.

Now play with
someone else – or an
imaginary friend!

Practise moving like a sneaky wolf.

How does it feel to wander through the forest?

The Wolf is hiding...
Can Little Red Riding Hood
spot him?

How many things can
Little Red Riding Hood
put in her basket before
she meets the Wolf?





FAIRY TALE MASH-UP



Imagine you're a fairy tale character. Do you want to be a witch, a goblin, a prince, a spider, a wolf, a shoemaker, a queen in disguise... or someone else? You decide.

Choose different ingredients for your fairy tale recipe by rolling a dice and flipping a coin.

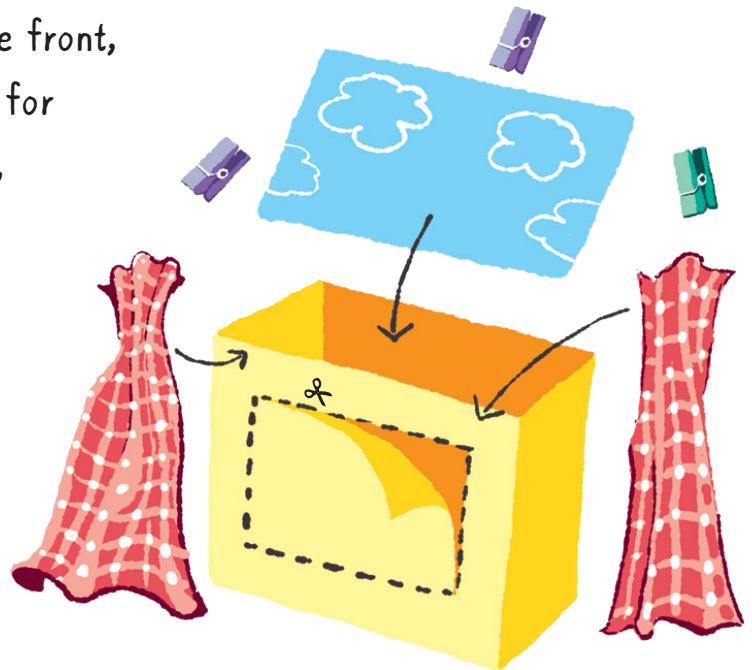


<p>Your clothes * * * * * * * * * * become magical</p>	<p>You plant a magic bean </p>
<p>You sprout wings </p>	<p>You live in the tallest tower of a castle </p>
<p>A mirror talks to you </p>	<p>An elf lies to you </p>
<p>You're as tiny as a pea </p>	<p>You're as tall as a skyscraper </p>
<p>You drink a witch's potion </p>	<p>You enter a house made of sweets </p>
<p>You refuse to marry a prince </p>	<p>You agree to marry a frog </p>

Now use this idea to tell, act, draw or write your own story...

MAKE A THEATRE TO PERFORM YOUR STORY!

Find a cardboard box and cut out the front, like in the picture. Find some material for your curtains – paper, fabric scraps, scarves or dish cloths. Draw a landscape to use as a backdrop, or cut one from a magazine. Put it into your theatre. You can use clothes pegs to fix it all together.



Any size will work – you could even make a tiny theatre!

Who will perform your story? You can use toys, cut out paper puppets or use your hands...



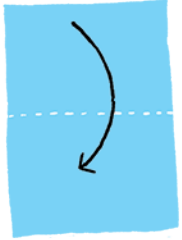
Now put on a show!



SAIL YOUR BOAT

Make a tiny boat.

Here's how to fold one from a piece of paper.



Fold it in half



Fold it again, but open it back up



Fold the edges to the centre



Fold up the bottom edge



turn it over



and do the same again



Open it like a hat



Flatten it this way



Fold up the corners



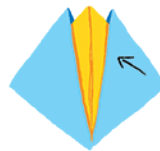
Front and back



Open it



Flatten it



Pull the edges apart...



DONE!

This box is MY boat. It's a submarine.

Full of wolves.



Sail your boat across the ocean on your floor, around the islands in your bedroom or down the rivers on your shelves... Who is on board? Where will they go?

I made a newspaper boat!

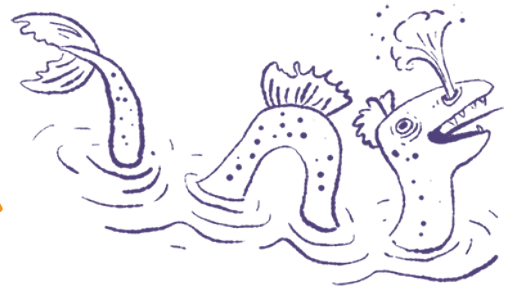


Flags for



Your boat.

OVER THE SEA



Imagine what you would hear, smell and see as you travel across the water.



The Sea of



Draw a map of your journey.



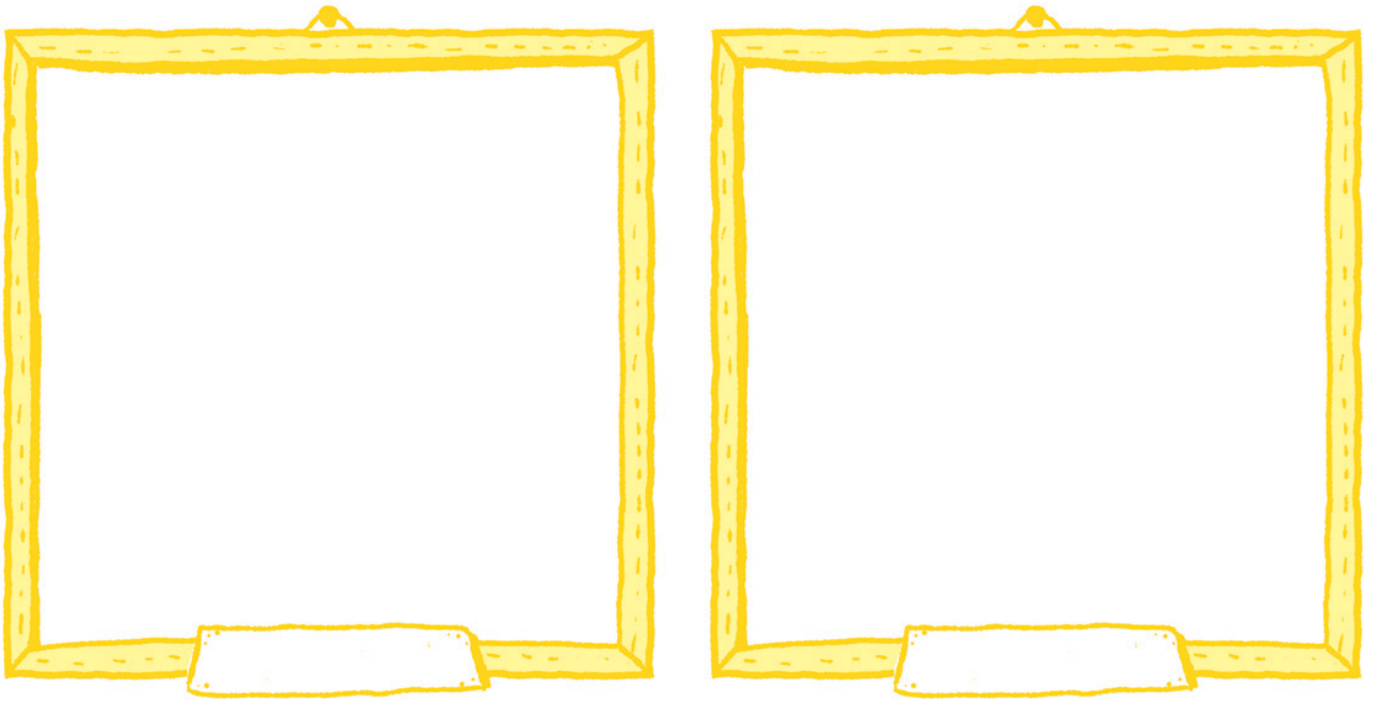
THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF...



Tell a tale of your adventures in this comic strip.

Think about how to use those four boxes – there will be a beginning, a middle and an end. You could start by drawing the most exciting thing you can think of in the last box, and then use the first three boxes to show what made it happen!





CURIOUS CREATURES

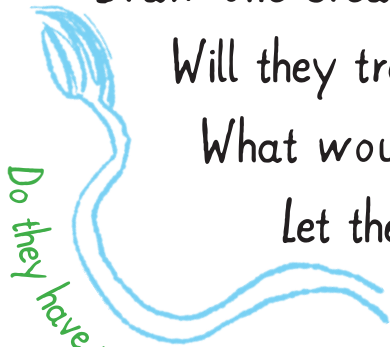
DREAM UP YOUR OWN MAGICAL ANIMALS

Draw one creature in each of the two boxes. Cut them out.

Will they travel in your boat, or act in your theatre?

What would it be like to live in your den together?

Let them visit the forest on the next page.



Do they have wings, prickles, fur or feathers?



Are they bookworms or brilliant chefs?



What noises do they make?

Do they live in the wild or a city?

Maybe
none of these,
or all?



Are they terrifying, fascinating, revolting, boring or adorable?



Are they bookworms or brilliant chefs?

Do they have special powers?



Do they like music?



Can they see into the future?





This is an enchanted forest.

Put your curious creatures into it.

How did they get here? What happens next?

Tell a bedtime story about it.

YOU ARE A STORYTELLER!
AND
YOU ARE
AMAZING!

Have
fun!



BOO!



This Wolf mask is for you.



This booklet is full of ideas to help you make up stories.



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