

# Puffin Activity Pack

Ages 6+







Dear Santa,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

I think I should be on the nice List this year because...

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Please would you bring me one of these things for Christmas?

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Thank you Santa. Please say hi to The Christmasaurus for me!

Love,

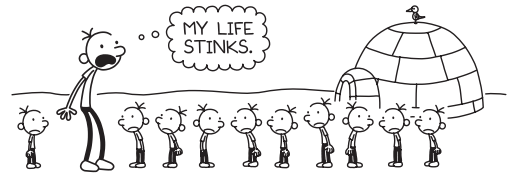
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# Predict YOUR future

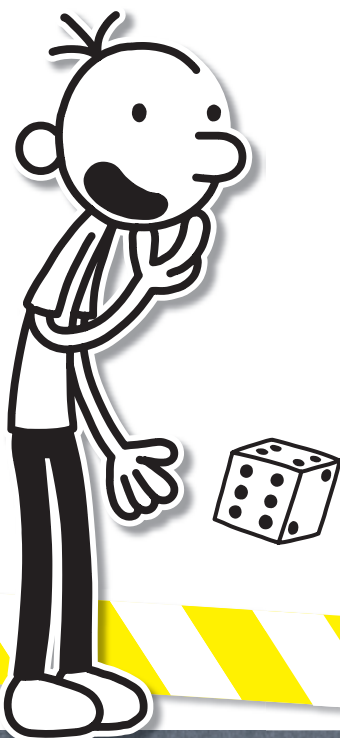


What you're basically gonna do here is  
roll a die over and over, crossing off  
items when you land on them like this:



1ST ROLL: 1	HOME:	1 Apartment
		2 House
2ND ROLL: 2		3 Mansion
		1 Igloo
3RD ROLL: 3	LOCATION:	2 Mountains
		1 Beach
		2 City
		3 Iceberg

Keep going through the list, and when you get to the end, jump back to the beginning. When there's only one item left in a category, circle it. Once you've got an item in each category circled, you'll know your future! Good luck!



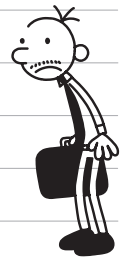
## HOME:

Apartment  
House  
Mansion  
Igloo



## JOB:

Doctor  
Actor  
Clown  
Mechanic  
Lawyer  
Pilot



## LOCATION:

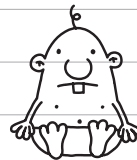
Mountains  
Beach  
City  
Iceberg



Pro athlete  
Dentist  
Magician  
Whatever you want

## KIDS:

None  
One  
Two  
Ten



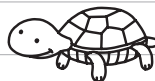
## VEHICLE:

Car  
Motorcycle  
Helicopter  
Skateboard



## PET:

Dog  
Cat  
Bird  
Turtle



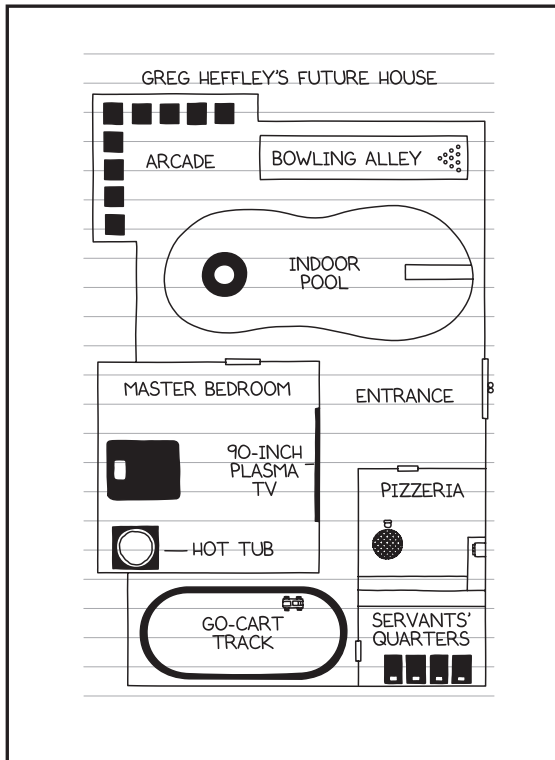
## SALARY:

\$100 a year  
\$100,000 a year  
\$1 million a year  
\$100 million a year

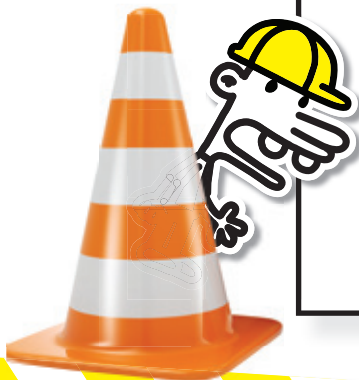


# Design your DREAM HOUSE

Greg has big plans for his dream house!  
If you could build your dream house  
what would it look like.



YOUR FUTURE HOUSE





# HOW TO DRAW HORSES



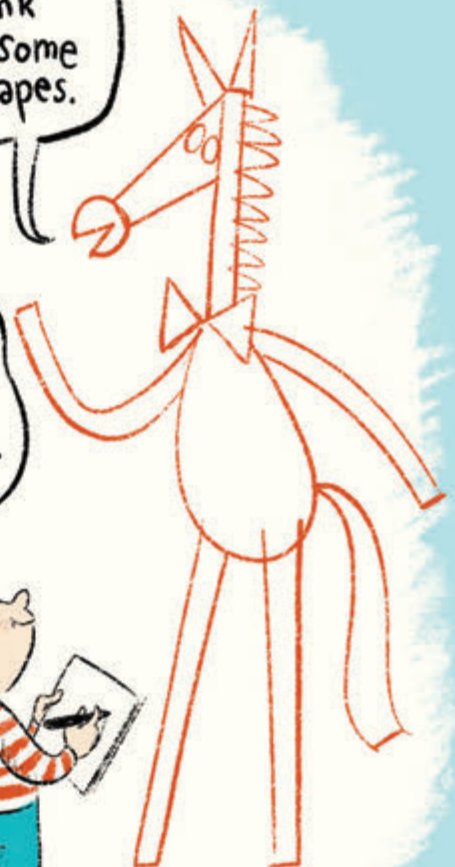
There are lots of different ways to draw a horse.



Let's start by drawing me!

First think of me as some simple shapes.

Then use these shapes as a guide for your drawing.



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① Start with the shapes for the body, arms and legs.

*\* IMPORTANT TIP  
Draw the shapes lightly in pencil. Remember it's just a guide.*



② Add shapes for the hooves, neck and head.



③ Add some more shapes and lines.



④ You can erase some lines so that it looks like this.



⑤ Now use these shapes as a guide for your horse drawing.

*\* TIP 1  
You can use a darker line for this part of the drawing.*



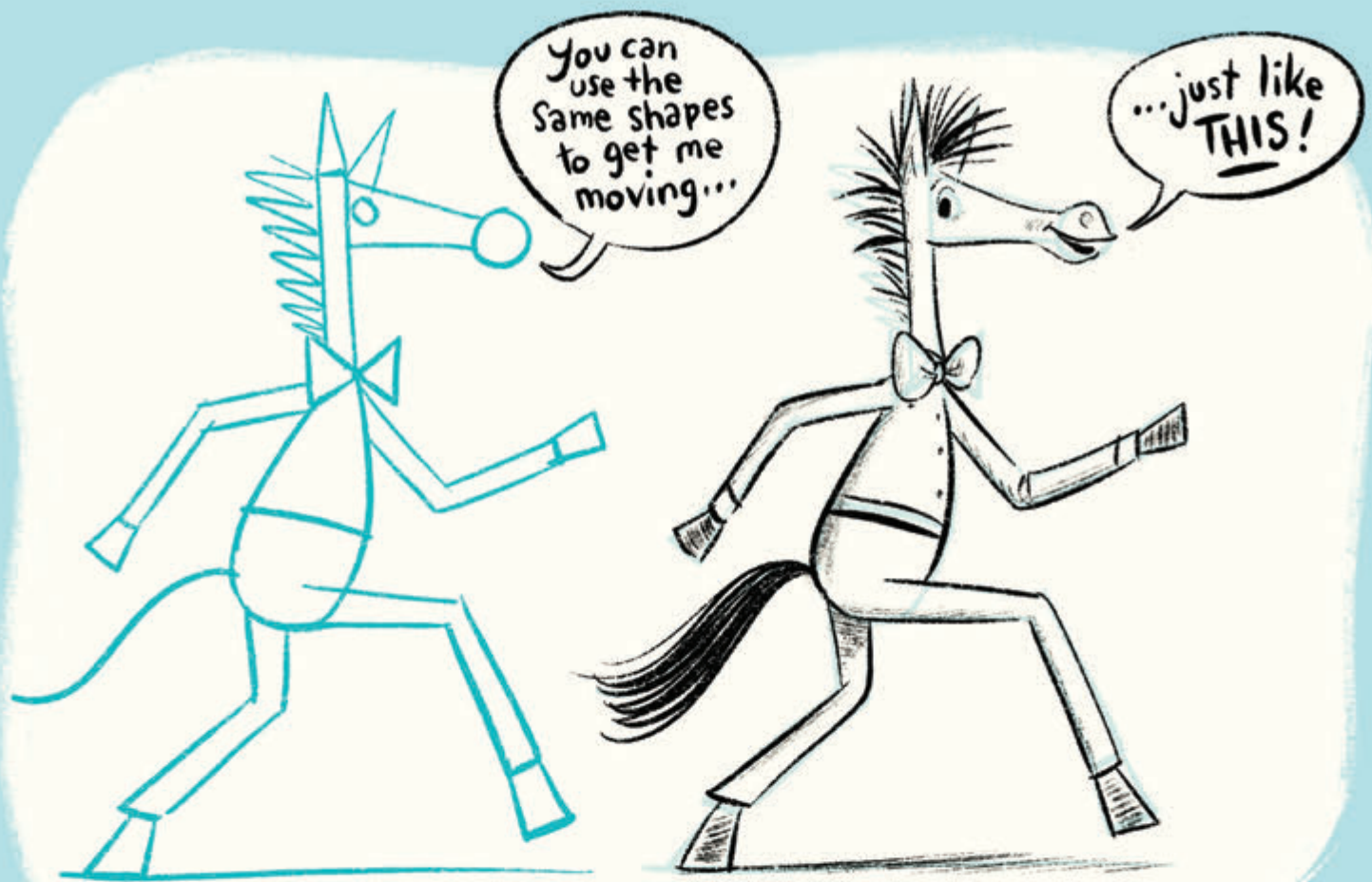
*\* TIP 2  
You don't have to follow the shapes exactly, they're just a guide.*

⑥ Add some shading to finish off your drawing.



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**OR** Cut and paste and draw and paint these shapes to make your own CUBIST HORSE.



You can find some more Cubist horses in **Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM** (on page 49)



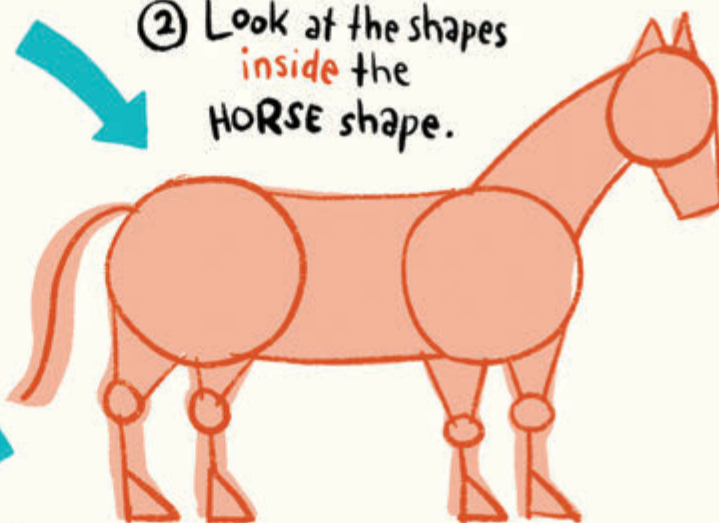
① Here's the shape of another HORSE.



It looks like the HORSES on the Navajo blanket in **Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM** (p24)

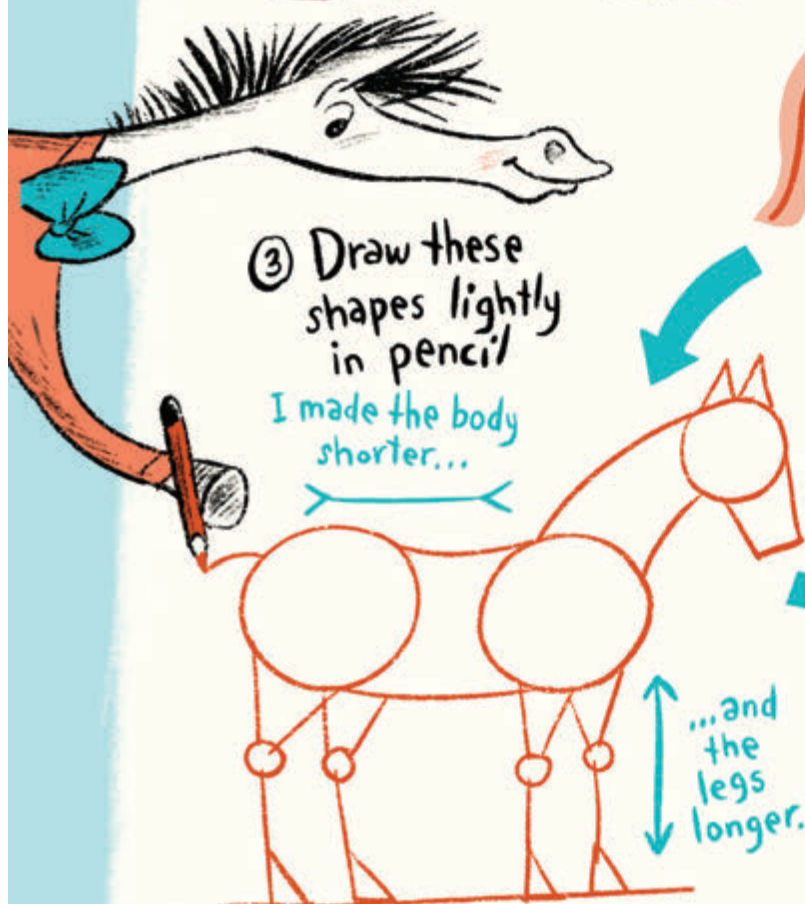


② Look at the shapes *inside* the HORSE shape.

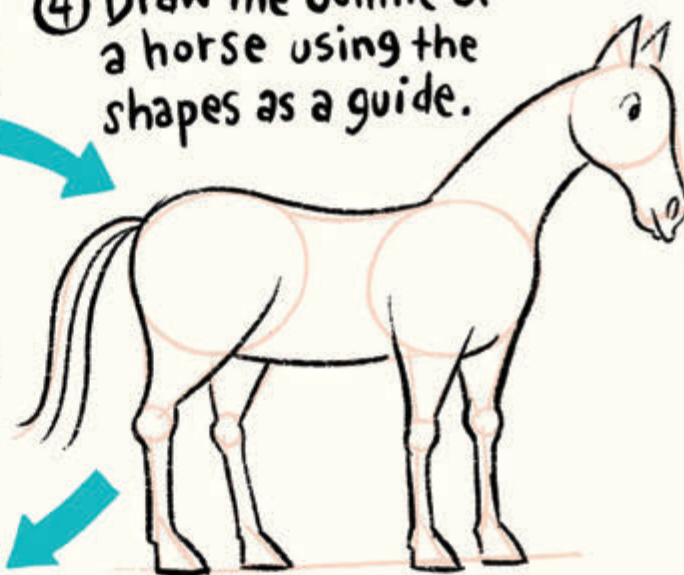


③ Draw these shapes lightly in pencil

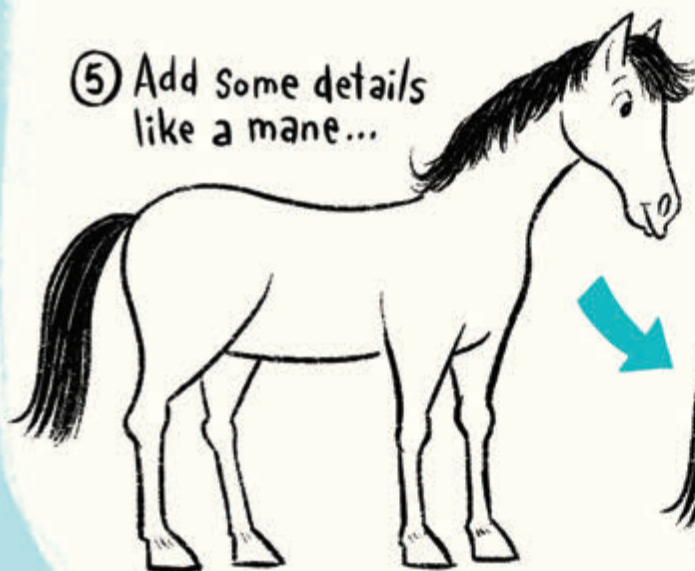
*I made the body shorter...*



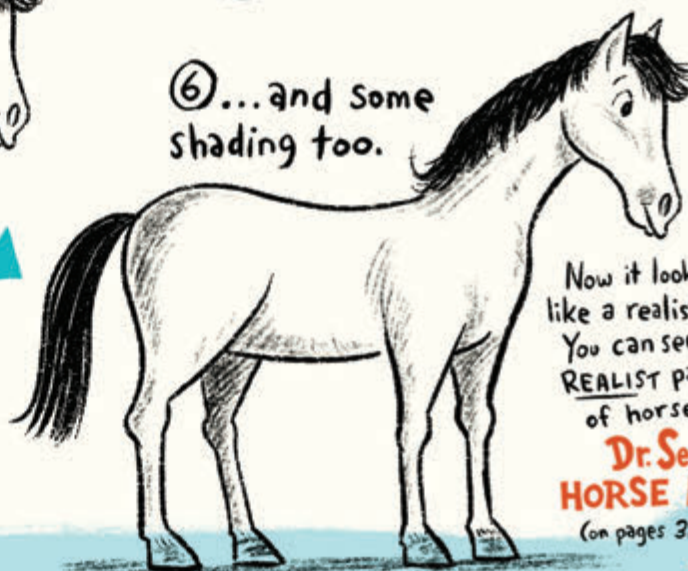
④ Draw the outline of a horse using the shapes as a guide.



⑤ Add some details like a mane...



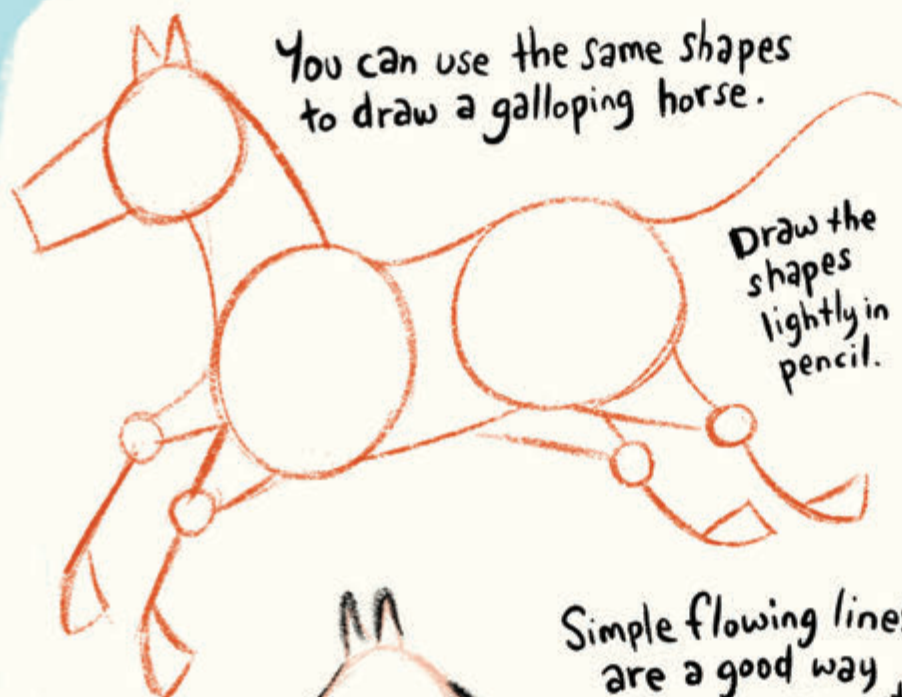
⑥ ...and some shading too.



Now it looks more like a realistic horse. You can see some **REALIST** paintings of horses in **Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM** (on pages 38 and 39)

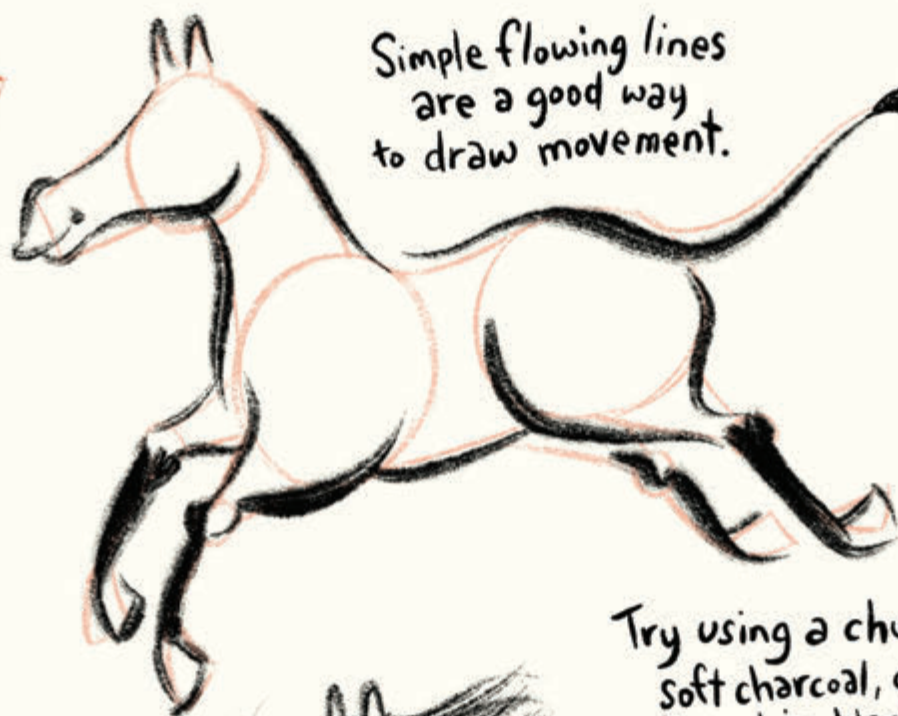
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You can use the same shapes to draw a galloping horse.

Draw the shapes lightly in pencil.



Simple flowing lines are a good way to draw movement.

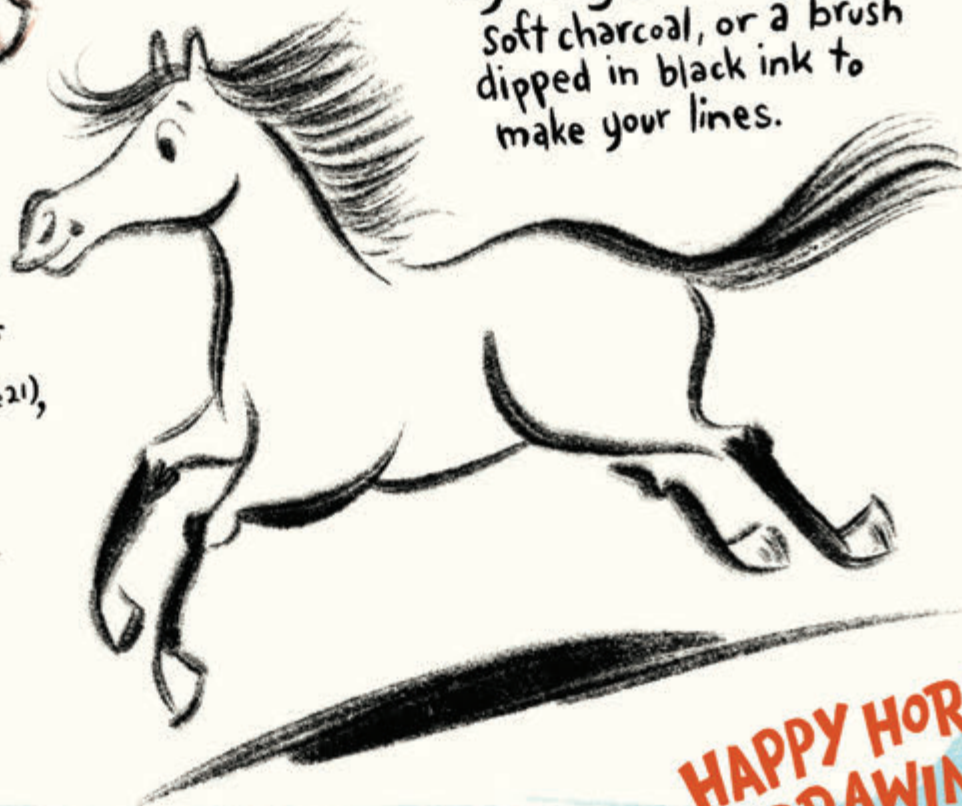


Try using a chunky crayon, soft charcoal, or a brush dipped in black ink to make your lines.

For inspiration, take a look inside

### **Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM**

at KATSUSHIKA HOKUSAI's beautiful brush and ink drawings of horses (page 21), and the pictures of moving horses by EADWEARD MUYBRIDGE and THÉODORE GÉRICAULT (page 28 and 29).



**HAPPY HORSE  
DRAWING!**



The artist **ALEXANDER CALDER**  
could draw with wire. Take  
a look at his wire **HORSE** in  
**Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM**  
(page 53)



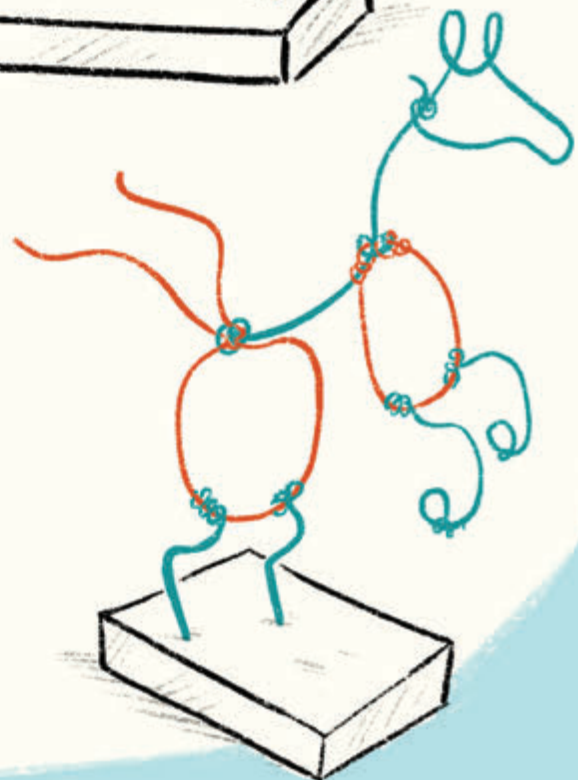
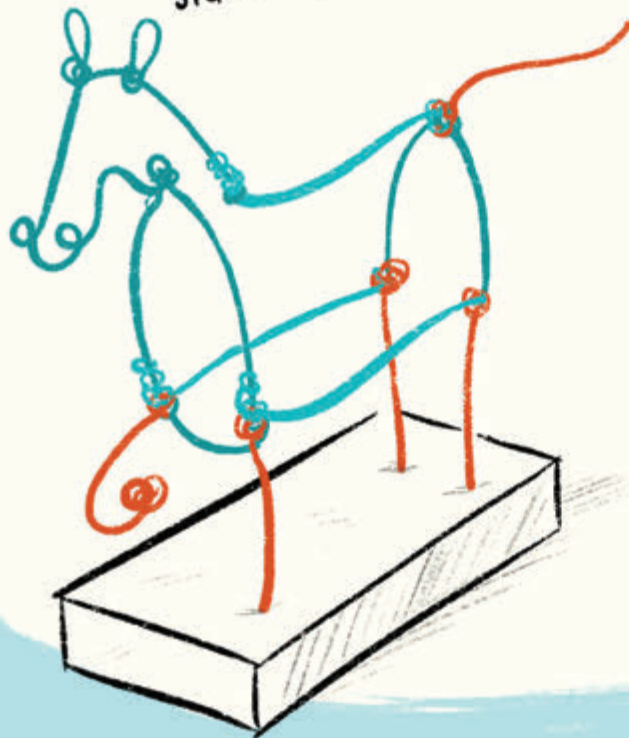
## MAKE YOUR OWN HORSE OUT OF PIPE CLEANERS

Things you need.

1. Pipe cleaners
2. Styrofoam block
3. Your imagination!

Bend, join, twist and  
tie the pipe cleaners to  
make your own 'drawing  
in space' of a **HORSE**.

Push the pipe cleaners  
into the styrofoam base  
to help your **HORSE**  
stand up.





Using a pencil,  
add some shading  
or tone to this  
HORSE to make  
it look more

### THREE DIMENSIONAL.

Try to go from dark to  
light when shading.

You can use the  
side of the pencil,  
like this...

...or the tip,  
like this.

You can also  
shade by drawing  
with little dots.

For darker shades,  
have the dots closer  
together. And for  
lighter shades,  
have them further apart.

You can do a whole drawing  
or painting with dots.

An IMPRESSIONIST artist  
called **GEORGES SEURAT**  
painted and drew with dots.  
The technique is called  
**POINTILLISM**.

You can see a painting by **GEORGES SEURAT**  
in **Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM** (page 41)

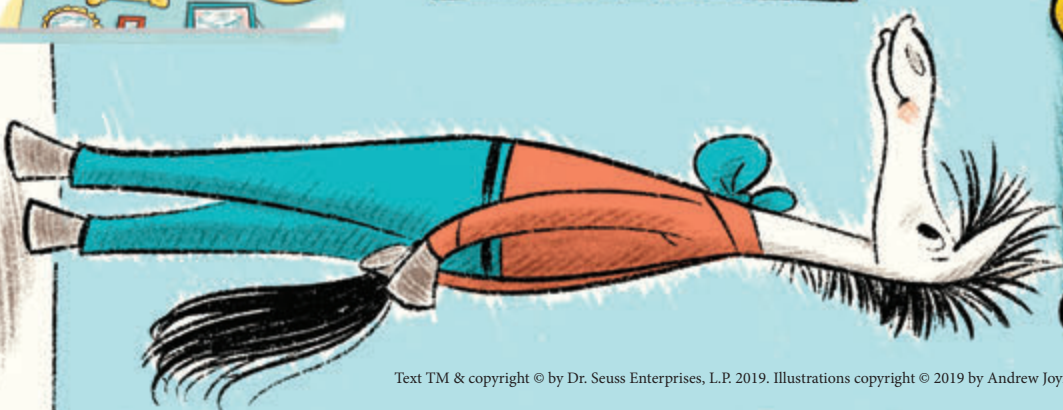
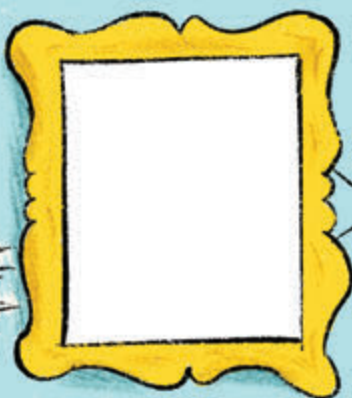
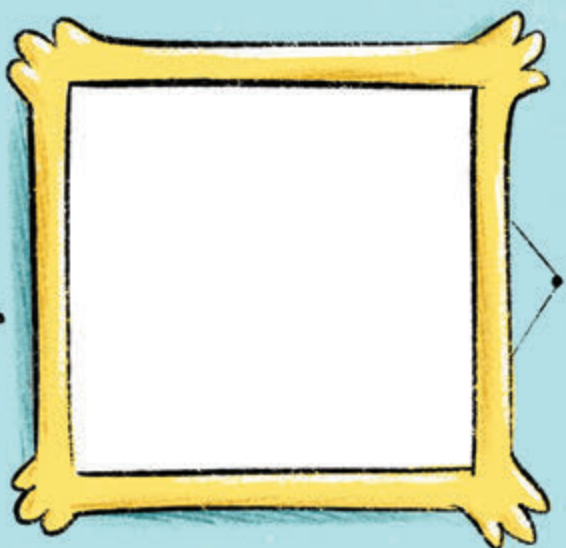
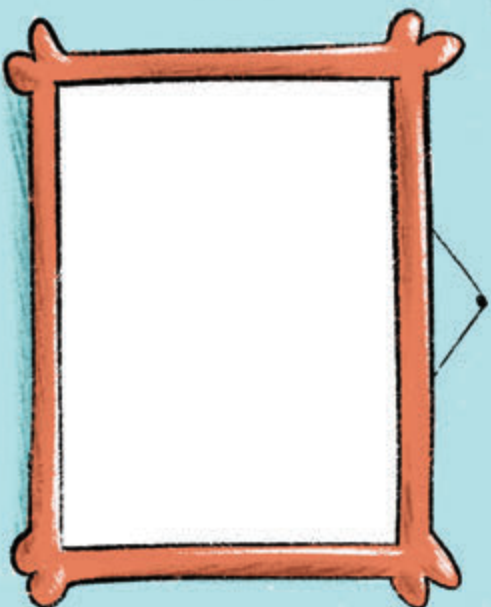
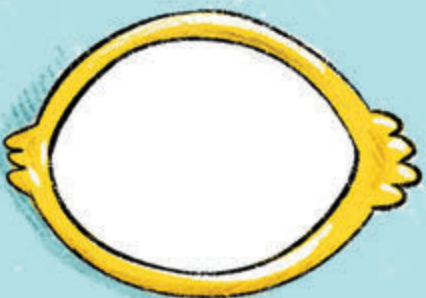
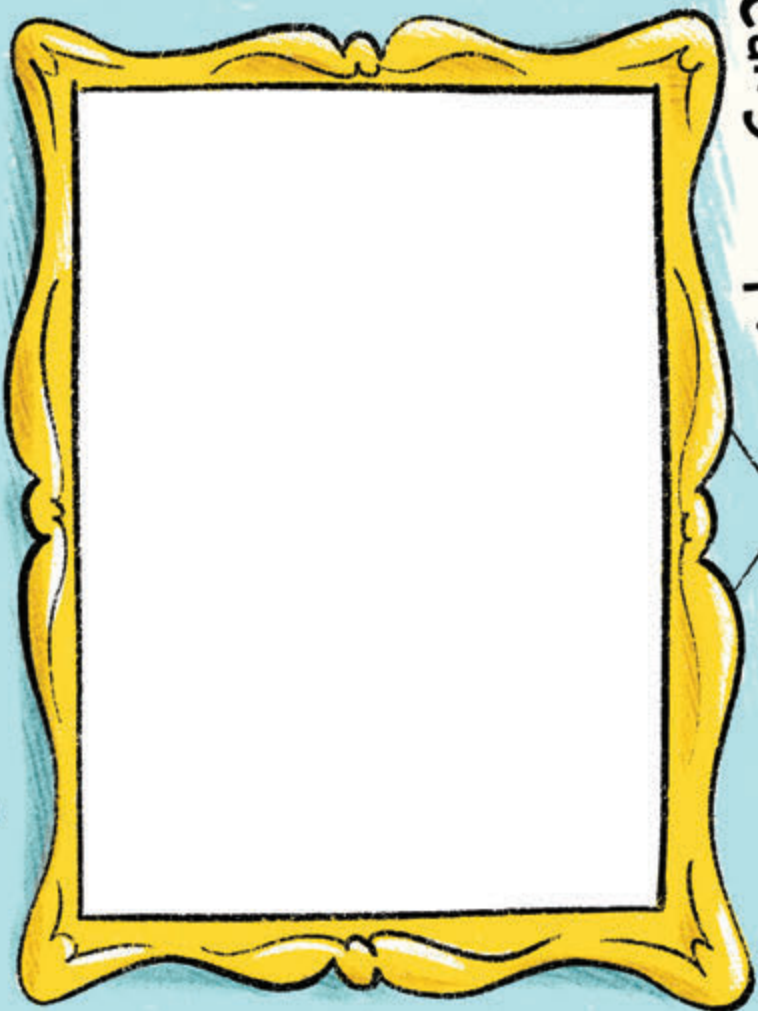
You can draw  
a rider on  
this HORSE

Or even  
some  
WINGS!

You can see the winged horse **PEGASUS** in **Dr. Seuss's HORSE MUSEUM** (page 35).



This Museum needs some ART!  
Can you help?



Out Now

A Guide through art history

Dr. Seuss's

HORSE

MUSEUM

Illustrated by Andrew Joyner

Draw some ART inside the frames.

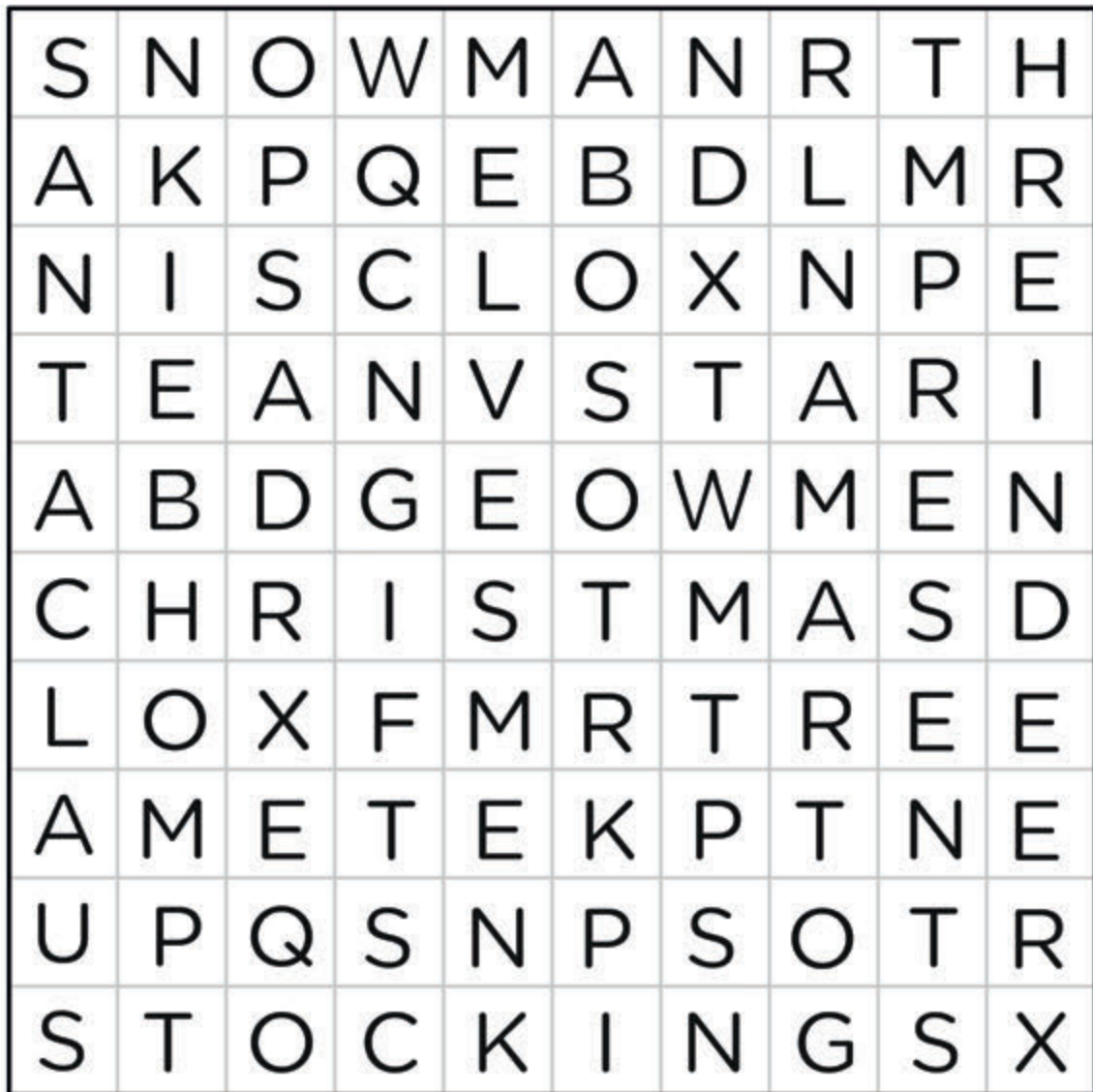


Dr. Seuss





## A Christmas Word Search



Reindeer

Christmas

Gifts

Tree

Star

Elves

Santa Claus

Snowman

Stockings

Presents



# PAPER Ball

This is a **brilliant ball** made of card and lots of **five-sided shapes** called **pentagons**, so Matilda's mathematical mind would be suitably impressed! It's also a rather wonderful word. Get ready to make . . . a **dodecahedron ball**!

DIFFICULTY RATING:



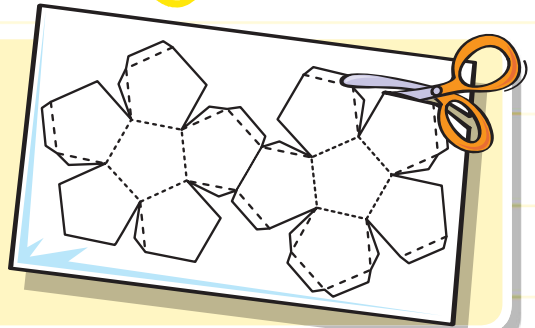
## YOU WILL NEED:

- A4 PIECE OF CARD
- A PENCIL
- SCISSORS
- GLUE

## What to do:

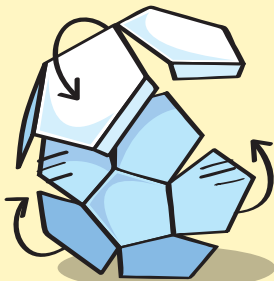
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**Trace** the shape opposite on to the piece of card, then cut it out.



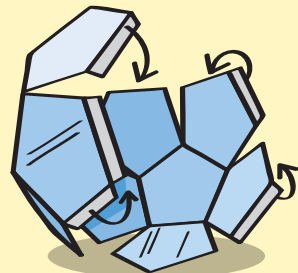
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Fold the **dotted lines** in the centre up and then **open them out**.



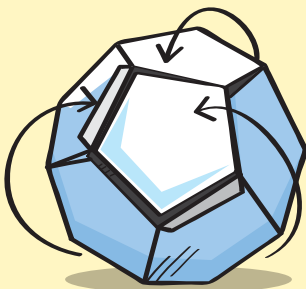
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Fold the **dashed lines** of the grey tabs over.



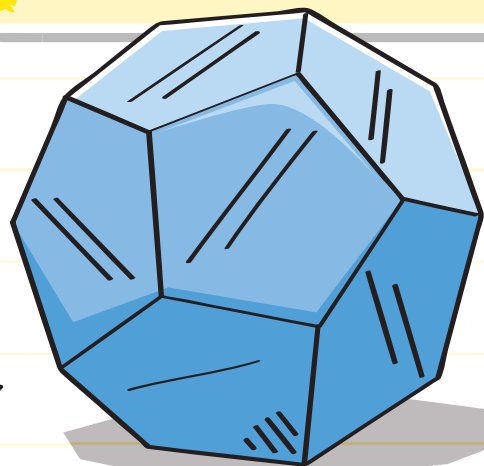
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Place one of the **centre pentagon shapes** down on a table, then fold the dotted lines up and **'cup'** the ball together, as shown.



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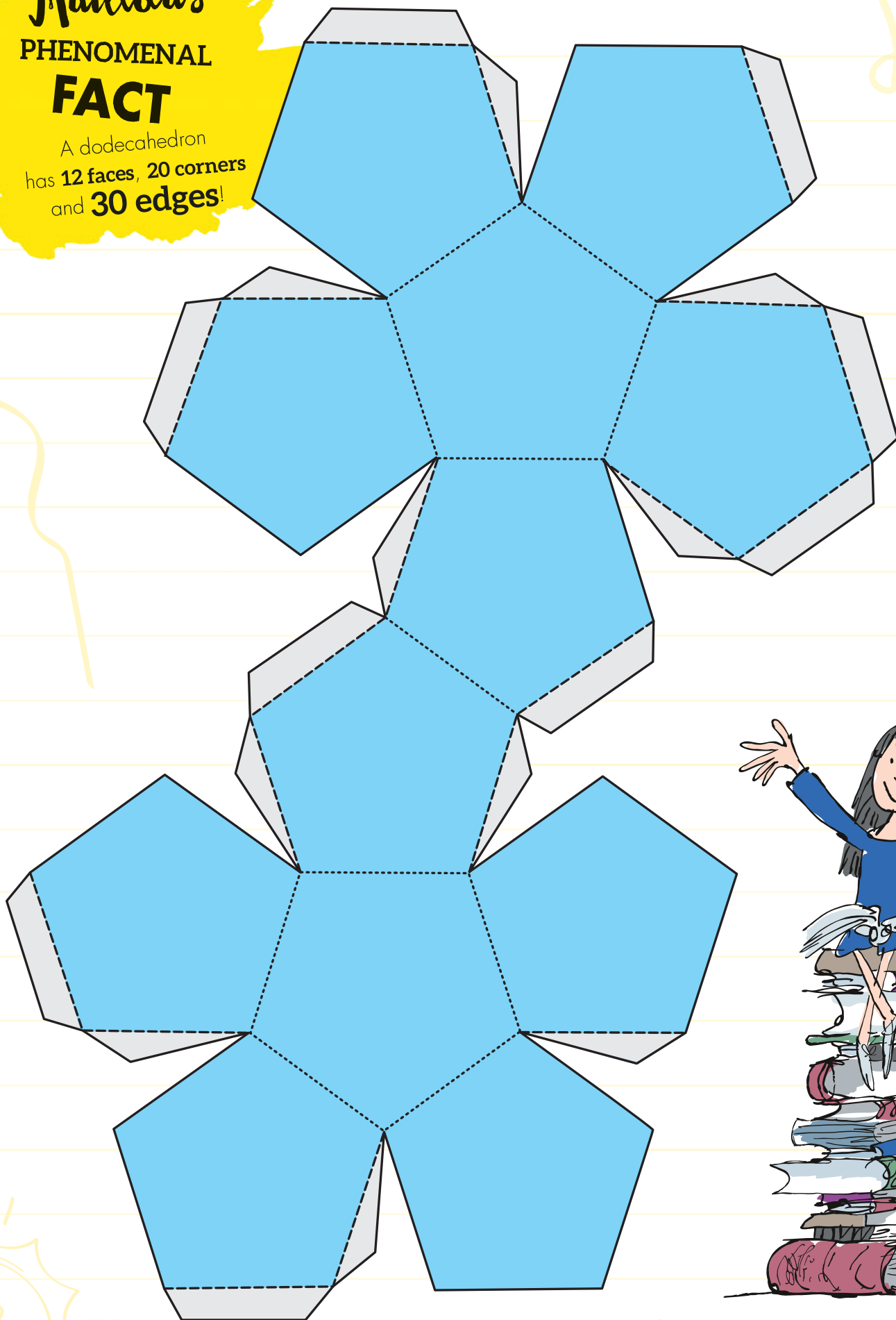
**Glue the tabs** to secure the shape.





Matilda's  
PHENOMENAL  
**FACT**

A dodecahedron  
has **12 faces**, **20 corners**  
and **30 edges**!





## A LETTER TO MY FUTURE SELF

My name is:

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Today's date is:

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My dreams and aspirations are:

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I hope that my profession will be:

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I hope that I will help the world by:

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I hope that I will be bold by:

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I hope that I will lead others by:

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.....

MY FUTURE SELF WILL LOOK LIKE...





**OUT  
NOW**

Can you finish these butterfly and moth drawings?



## IT'S ALL RELATIVE

Many species share the same five-fingered bone structure in their hands, paws or flippers meaning they most likely share an evolutionary ancestor! Can you match the bones to the animals?

FROG WHALE DOG HUMAN BAT



## WORD SEARCH

R	X	Z	A	V	D	T	M	S	I	U	X	A	A	O
L	N	I	W	R	A	D	H	W	M	T	K	H	U	V
D	B	Q	Y	Q	W	E	Z	S	L	G	I	A	A	M
N	O	I	T	C	E	L	E	S	Y	W	N	R	D	T
D	V	Y	E	Q	I	C	E	C	O	A	I	Q	Z	F
N	O	I	T	U	L	O	V	E	X	A	Q	V	B	U
S	S	C	M	D	A	D	A	P	T	A	T	I	O	N
E	K	A	O	M	D	M	G	I	L	F	X	N	S	S
O	R	I	G	I	N	T	O	R	L	H	Q	O	U	K
X	C	T	Z	H	C	N	T	T	Y	U	K	Z	R	C
W	V	L	M	I	G	R	A	T	I	O	N	J	V	X
Y	S	K	R	K	Q	J	G	E	N	U	S	O	I	B
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N	S	E	I	C	E	P	S	X	N	U	V	Y	A	K
J	P	W	P	Y	N	A	T	U	R	E	Z	Q	L	P

DARWIN  
ORIGIN  
SPECIES  
EVOLUTION  
ADAPTATION  
SELECTION  
NATURE  
ANIMAL  
SURVIVAL  
VARIATION  
GENUS  
MIGRATION

From amazing variety to the fight for survival, from the smallest bacteria to the great Tree of Life: in this beautiful adaptation of Charles Darwin's famous work, you will uncover the revolutionary theory that changed the world forever.

**Evolution.**

## TRUE OR FALSE?

1. Whales once lived on land and had four legs before evolving into the animals we know today.

(Circle your answer above)

## TRUE OR FALSE?

2. There are over 340 breeds of dog, all of which come from one kind of wild wolf many howling moons ago.

(Circle your answer above)



# DEFINING EVOLUTION

Using the definitions as clues can you fill in the blanks to complete the words?

I. "Species no longer in existence, no longer any living members"

E \_ \_ \_ I \_ \_ \_ T

II. "The ancient remains of an animal or plant preserved in layers of rock"

\_ \_ \_ S \_ \_ \_

III. "A group of animals that are similar and can produce offspring together"

S \_ \_ \_ E \_ \_ \_ S

# SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

Can you spot all 10?



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BACK TO BASICS -  
Molluscs, birds, tortoises, fish  
and dinosaurs are (or were) all vertebrates.



HIVE FIND

SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

8 Hercules beetles

BEE HUNT

1. Extinct

2. Fossil

3. Species

EVOLUTION

DEFINING

WORD SEARCH

IT'S ALL RELATIVE

FROG BAT HUMAN DOG WHALE

live in the same environment.

have developed similar features because they

ancestors, share from fish ancestors and

3. FALSE! Dolphins evolved from mammal

and even talents.

Breeds of dogs is because people have raised

2. TRUE! The reason there are so many different

four-legged land animal called the Indridimus.

TRUE OR FALSE

ANSWERS

## HIVE FIND

Help the bee follow its instincts to find its queen.



START

## TRUE OR FALSE?

3. These three animals all evolved from the same evolutionary ancestors.  
(Circle your answer above)

Dolphin



Shark



Ichthyosaurs



## BEETLE HUNT

How many Hercules Beetles can you find on both pages?

Can you cross off each of the animals below that are VERTEBRATES?  
\*HINT\* a vertebrate is any animal with a back bone

## BACK TO BASICS





# Mix and match the Puffin story genres and doodles!

## What to do:

Place your pencil in the middle of the circle and spin it.

- 1st spin - write down which Puffin genre you land on in the inner section.
- 2nd spin - find your next genre on the middle section.
- 3rd spin - add a character from the top of the circle to star in your story!

Now mash your story together and get writing!

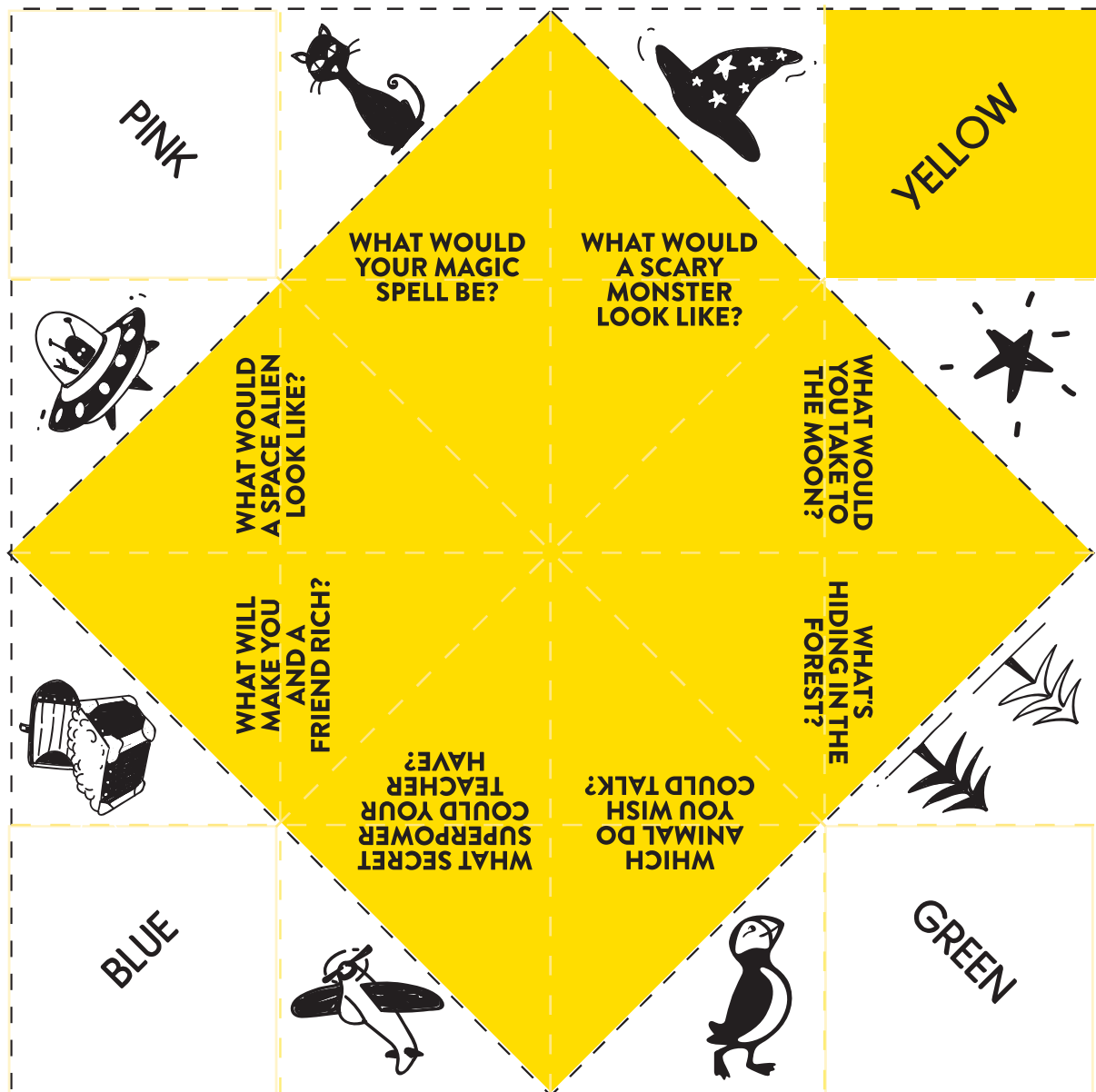


# Story Widget



Use the widget to discover questions that will help you start a story!

- 1 Cut out your story widget, fold and unfold along all dotted lines.
- 2 Text-side facing down, fold each corner into the centre.
- 3 Turn over and fold each corner into the centre.
- 4 Fold the story widget in half so the colours are on the outside, insert your thumbs and index fingers under each corner flap and the story widget will take shape.



## COLOUR IN THE SQUARES

- 1 Hold the story widget and ask the person next to you to choose a colour.
- 2 Spell the colour out loud, opening/shutting the story widget with each letter.
- 3 Select a picture.
- 4 Spell out the picture, opening/shutting the story widget with each letter.
- 5 Pick a final picture. Lift the flap and discover the question that will help you start a story!



# Doodle your own book cover!

What colours would you use? Will you draw a scene or a character? It's up to you! Think about what your book will be called. Have a look at other book covers to help inspire you.

