

# POM-POM ACTIVITIES



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Make these three activities to develop one's fine motor skills in a playful way!



# FOUR SEASONS POM-POM PUSH

A pom pom push gives children the opportunity to pick up small objects, find a corresponding colour and then push it through a hole. Practising one's fine motor skills allows children to have stronger hand muscles which make daily skills like writing, doing up buttons etc. easier.

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## MATERIALS

Printable Trees  
Cardboard box  
Scissors  
Glue  
Pom poms (red, white, pink, green)  
1 inch punch (optional)  
Craft knife (to be used by an adult only)

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## DIRECTIONS

This is a great opportunity to talk about how the leaves and other features on trees change with each season. In fall the leaves may turn red or yellow or you may harvest apples from them. In the winter, the tree is covered in snow, in spring, perhaps you might see pink blossoms and in summer the leaves are large and green!

Paint your box if you like. You could go with individual small boxes or you could place all trees on a larger box. (We didn't include summer so you could design it yourself!) Go with multiple thin layers of paint rather than a thick coat for the best results. Allow your box to dry.

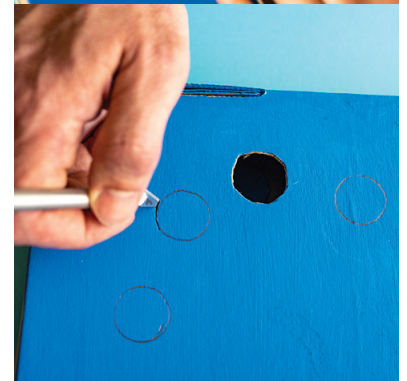
Cut out the trees. Punch holes where the circles are with a 1 inch punch or gently bend your paper to make a snip to then cut out the centre. You may need a bit of adult help with this.

Lightly trace around your trees and your holes onto your box.

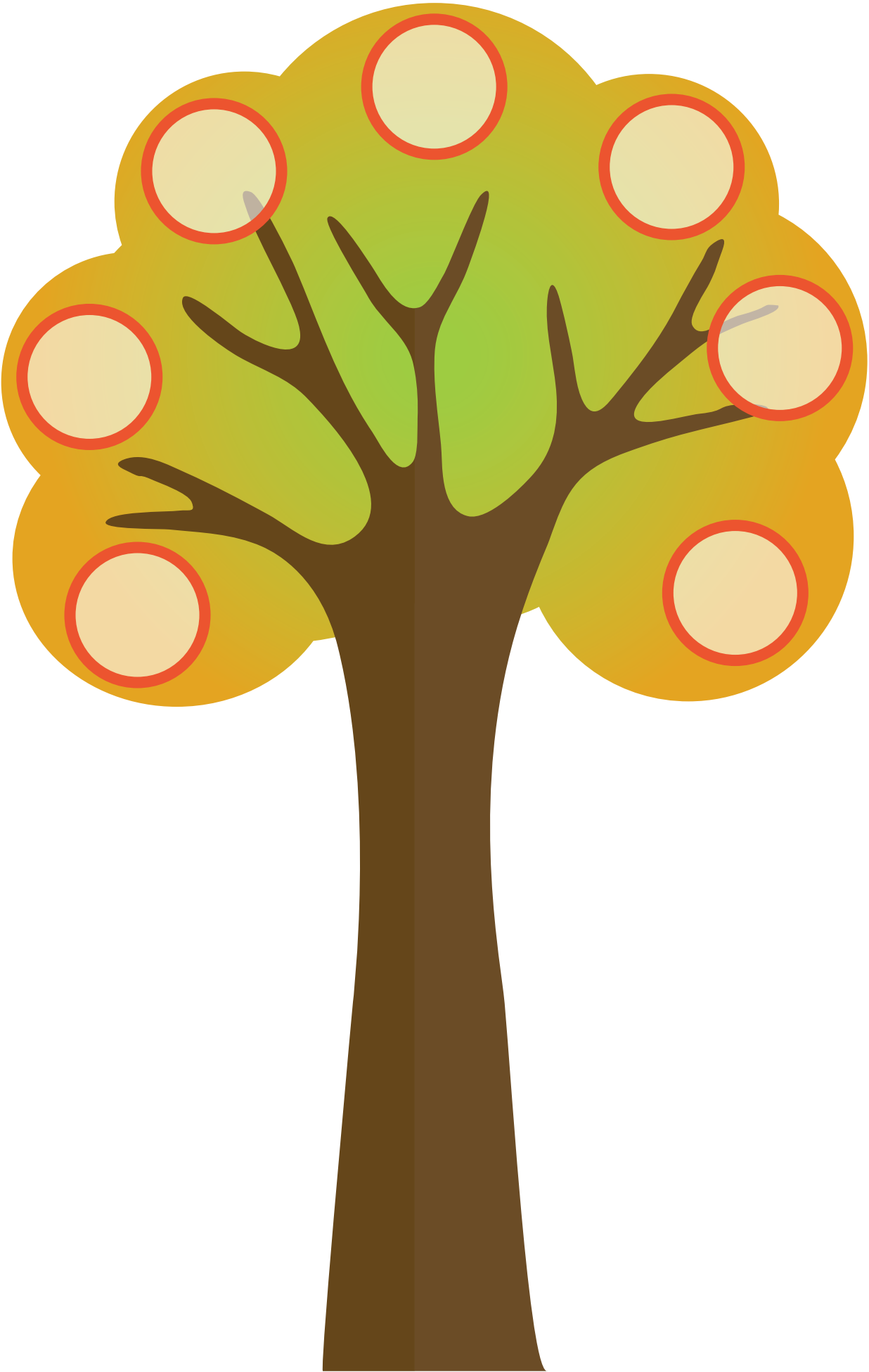
Have an adult cut out holes slightly larger than your punched holes into your box with a craft or utility knife.

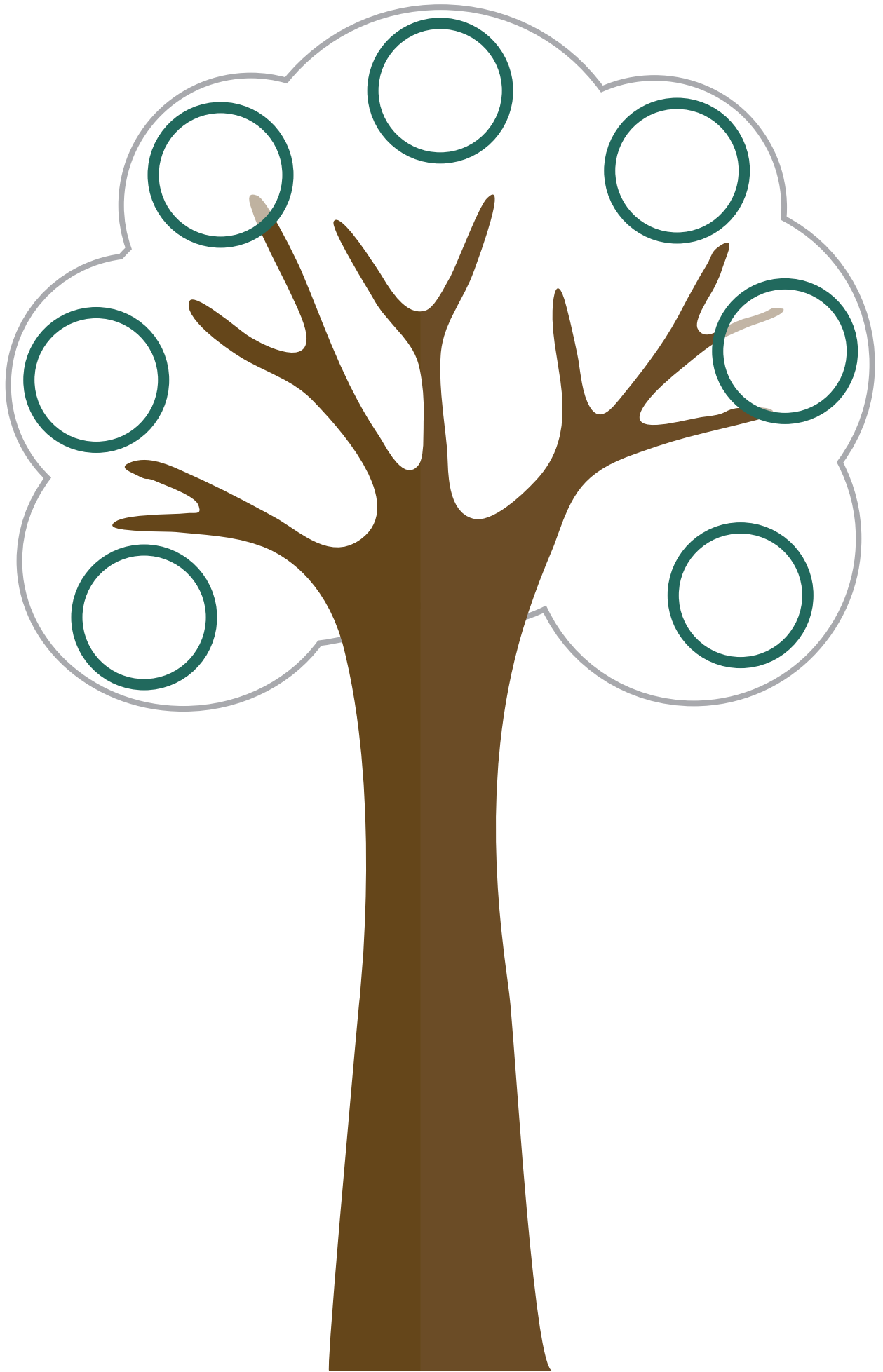
Glue your trees in place.

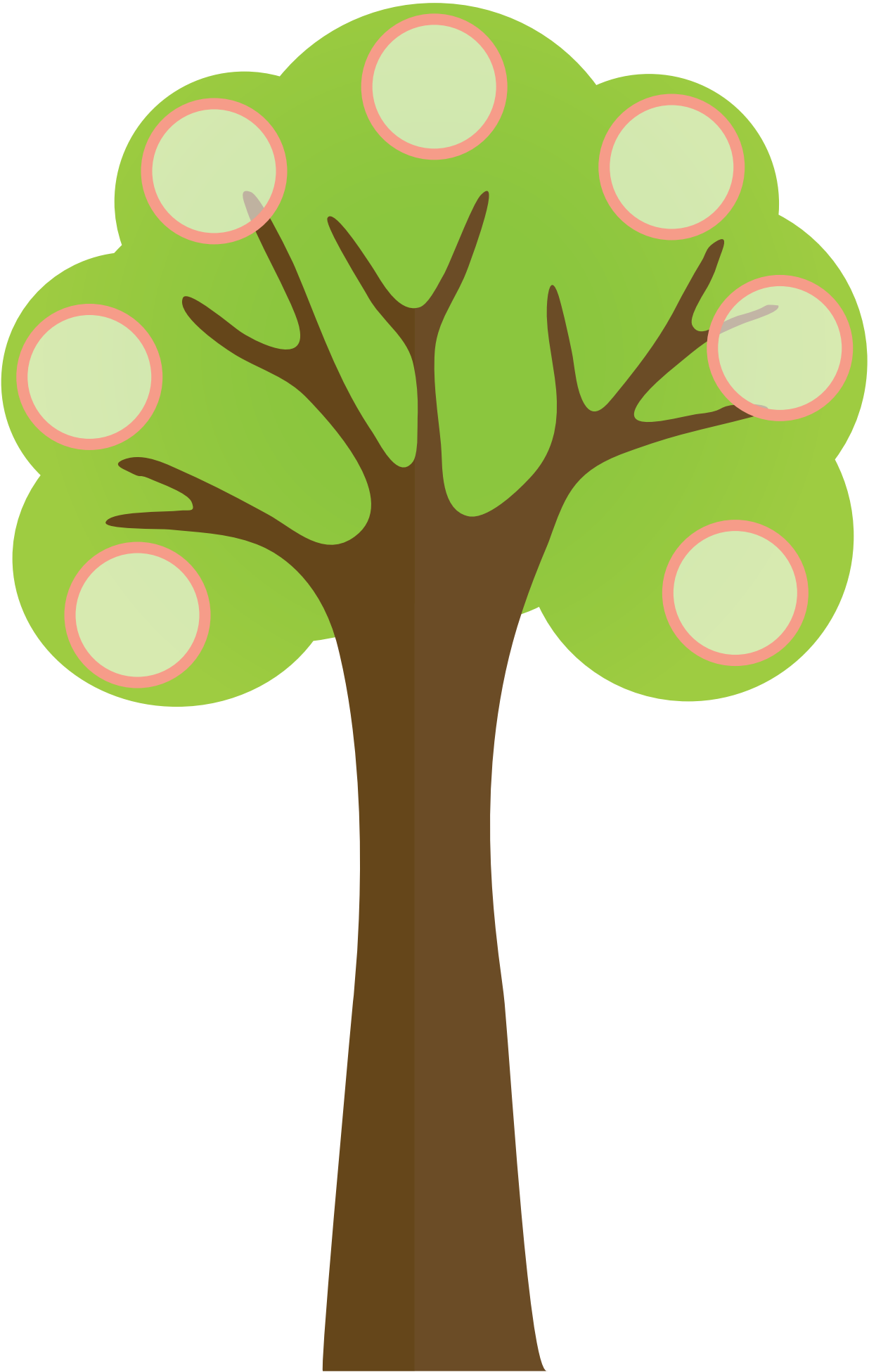
Select pom poms that correspond to the colours on the tree, placing them in a container. Push the pom poms through the matching coloured holes.











# POM POM DUCK SMALL WORLD

Kids love creating small versions of worlds to play and create stories with. Whether it be dinosaurs, a fairy garden or in this case a small duck pond!

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## MATERIALS

Printable Pond  
Printable Tree  
Printable Cat Tails  
Decorating items  
Yellow pom poms  
Printable duck pieces  
Cardboard Tube

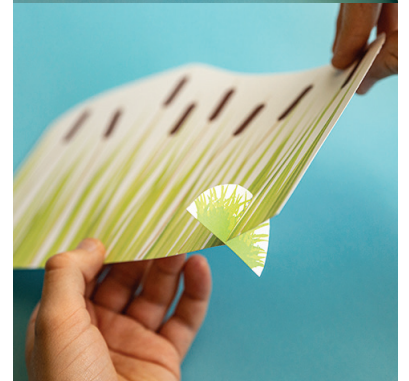
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## DIRECTIONS

Paint your cardboard tube if you like. Print your tree and glue the pieces together. Cut along the dotted lines and slide one piece into the other on the two long dotted lines. With the smaller lines, attach your tree top to your truck created by your cardboard tube. This will make a 3D tree! Make as many as you like to create your small world.

Print and cut out your pond.

Print and cut out your cat tails. They work the same way as the tree where you slide one component into the other to make a standing 3D plant. Surround your



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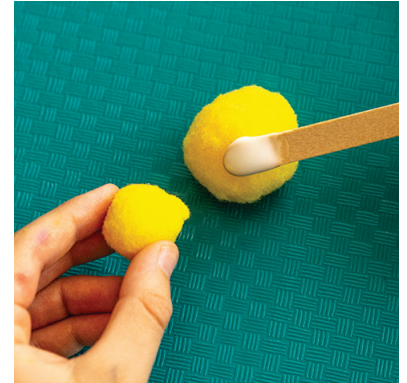
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## DIRECTIONS

Glue one smaller pom pom onto a larger one to create your duck. Add the printed eyes, beak (fold it in half) and wings. Create as many as you like! There are various sizes of duck parts depending on what size of pom poms you have available. An easy way to cut out the eyes is to use a hole punch.

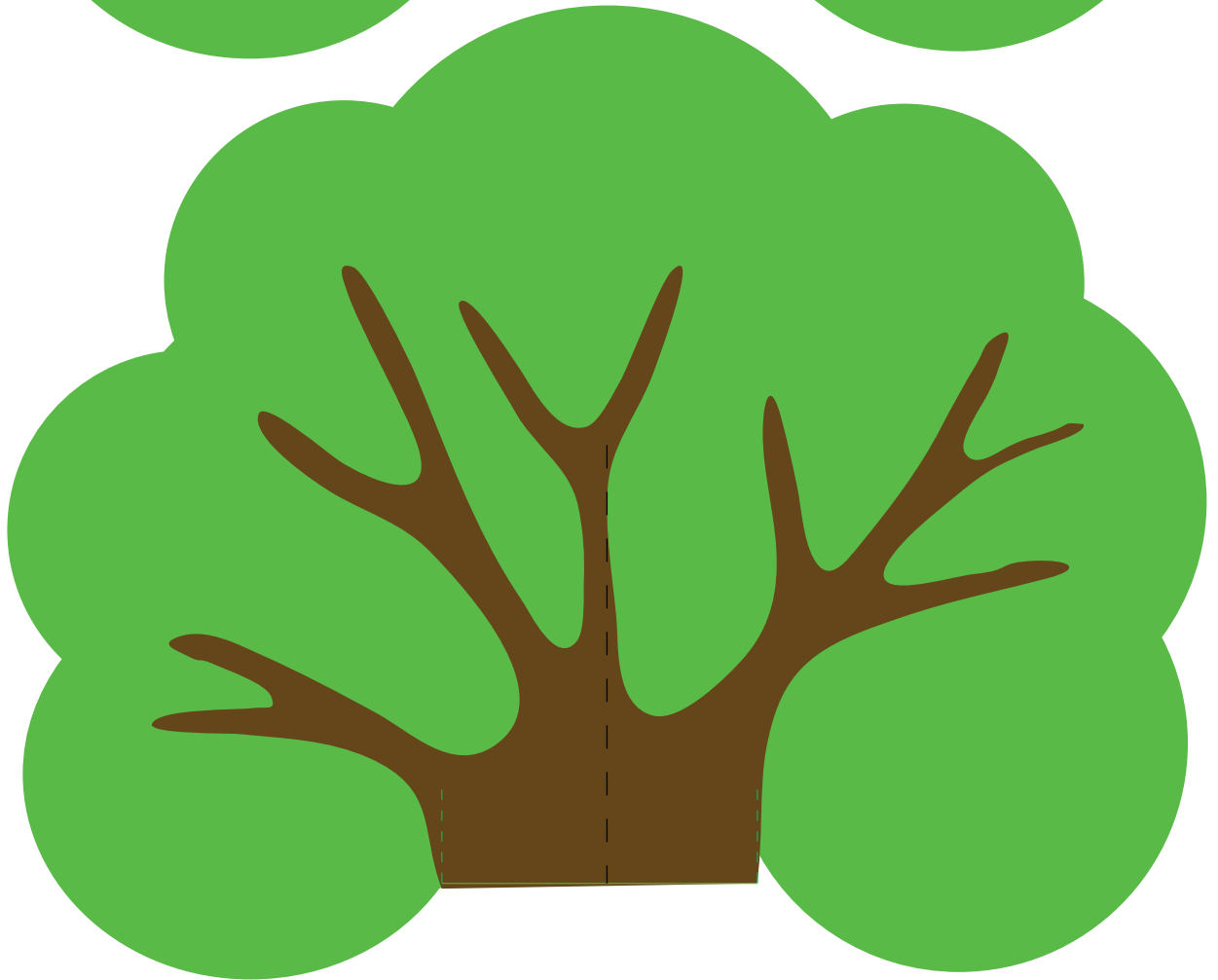
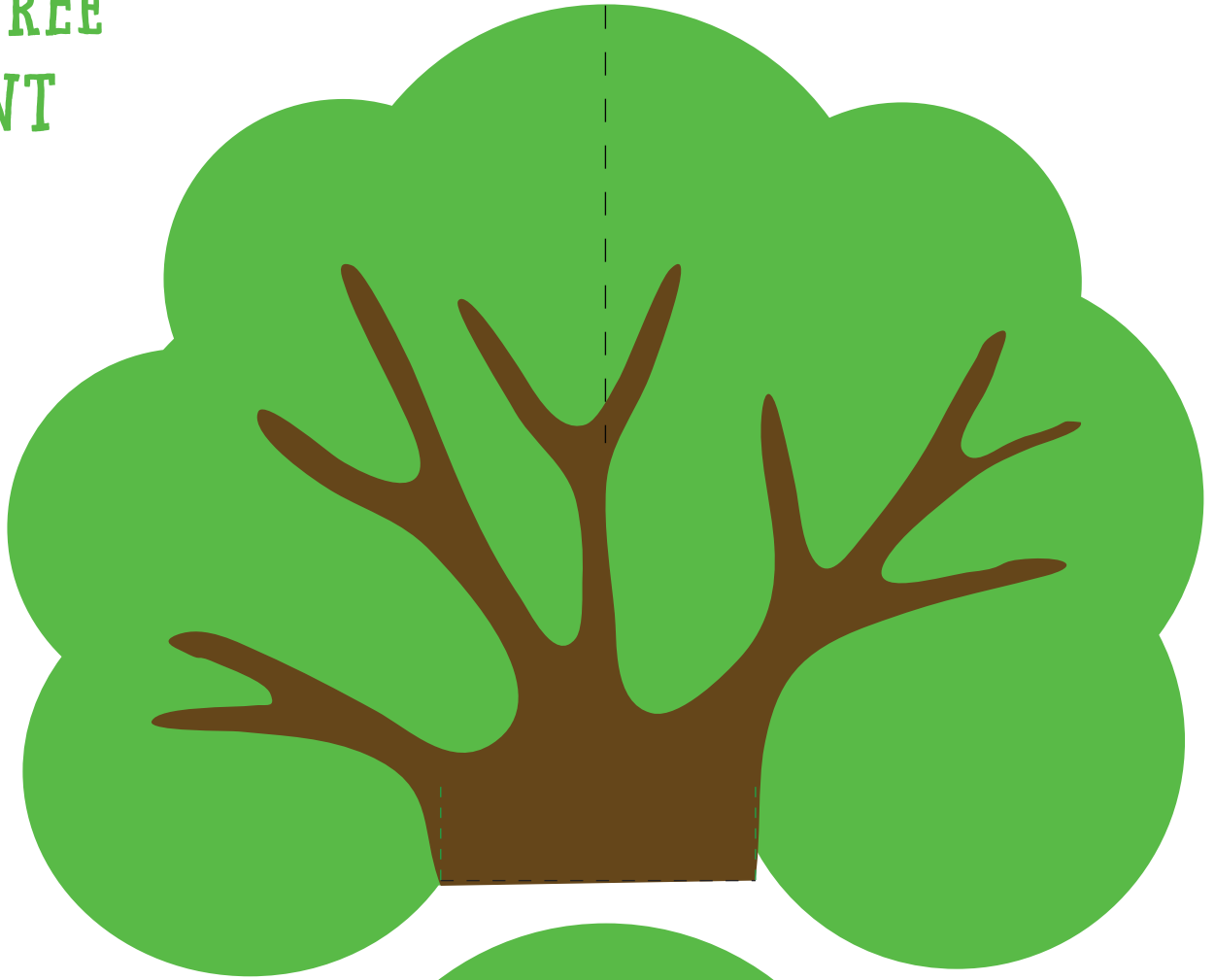
Place your ducks in your pond, swim them around and create some stories for your swimming pals!

What else could you make and add?

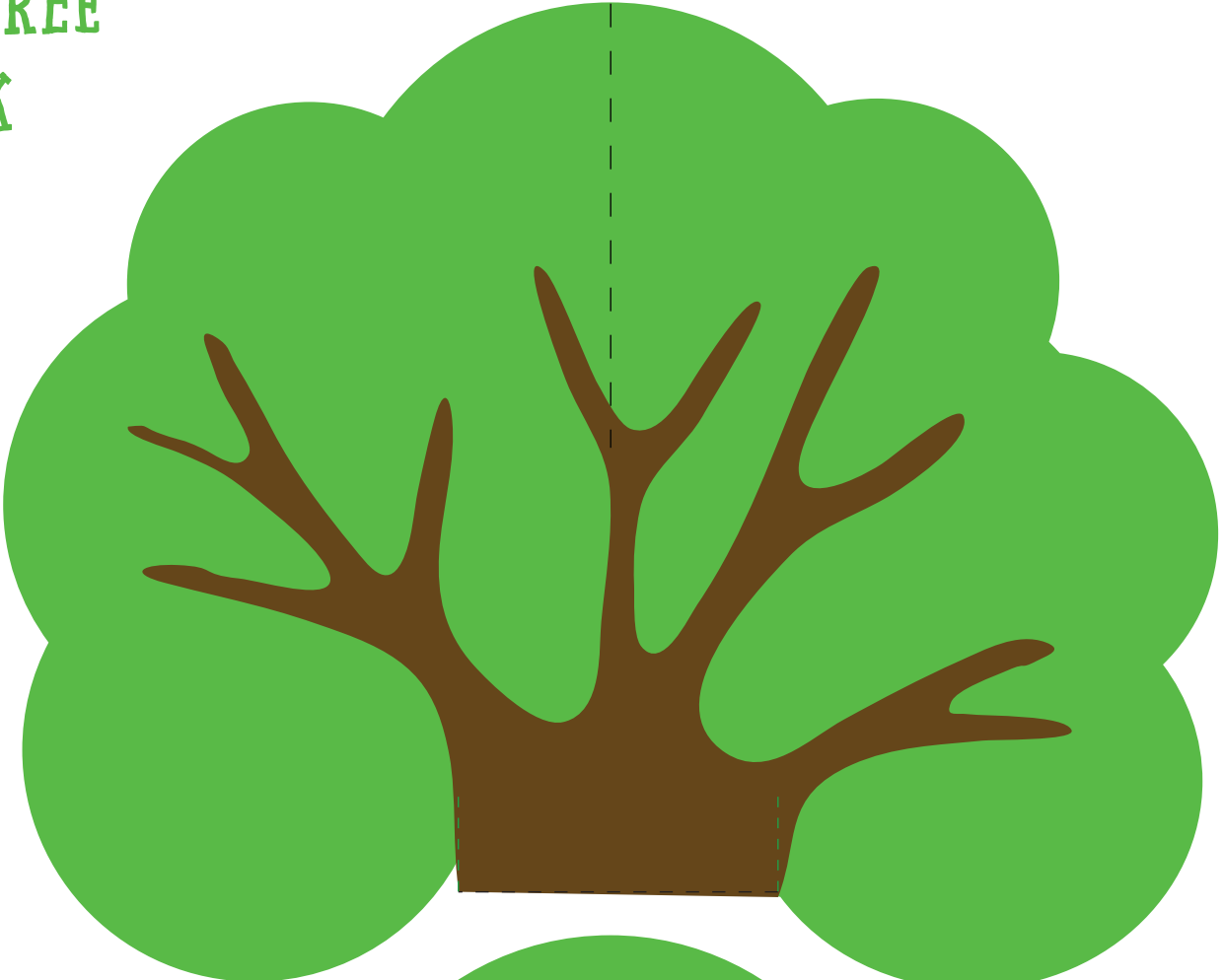


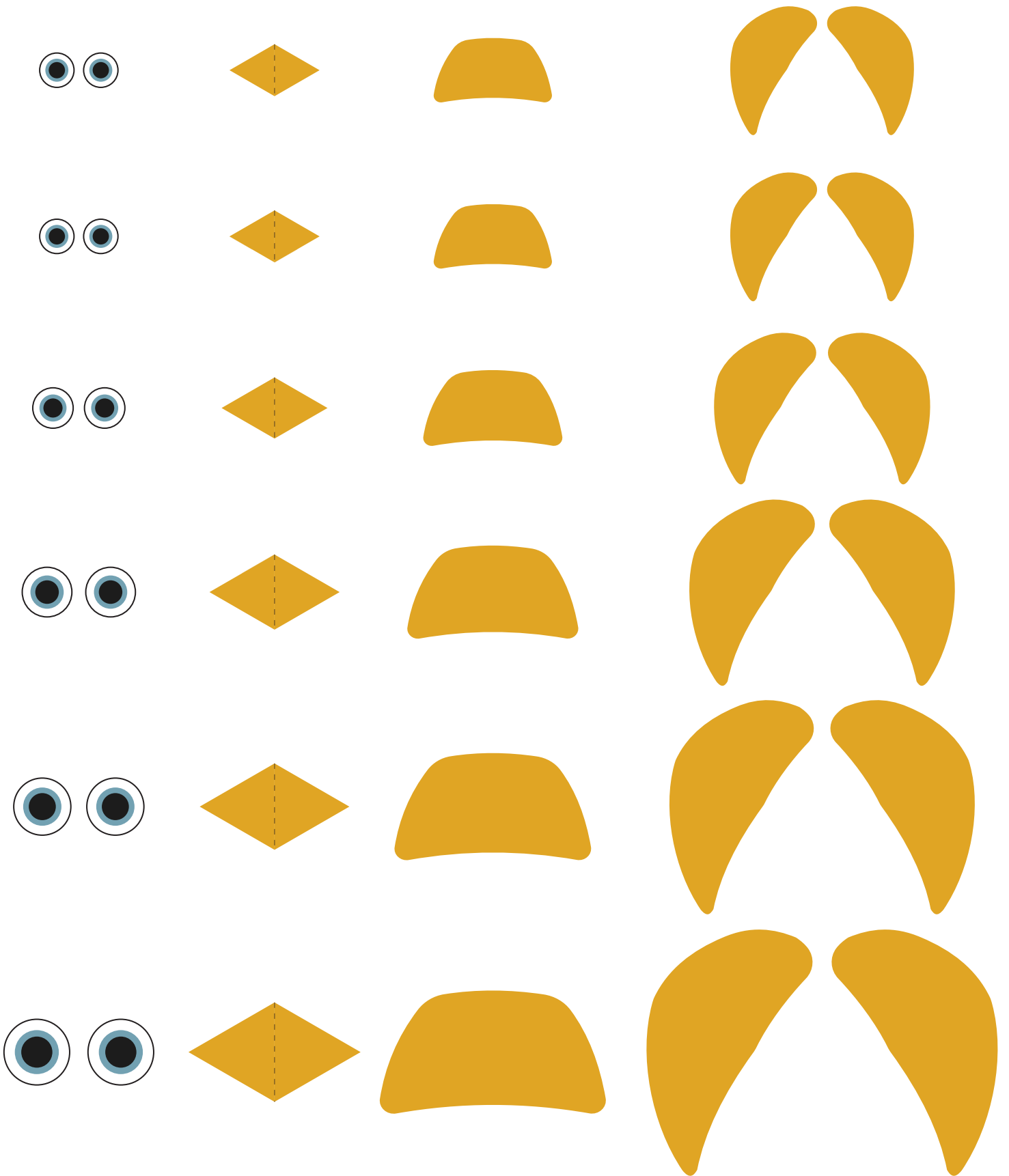


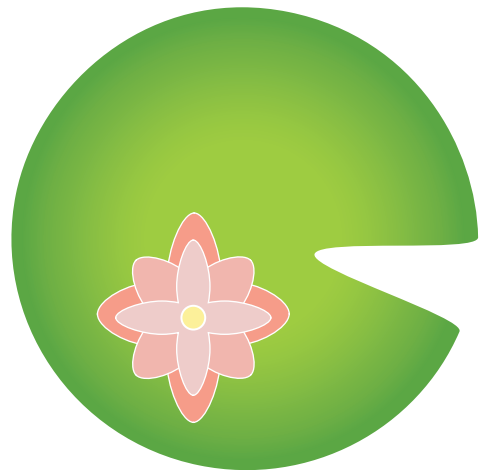
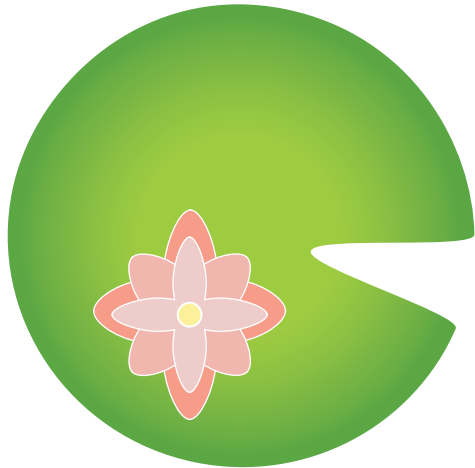
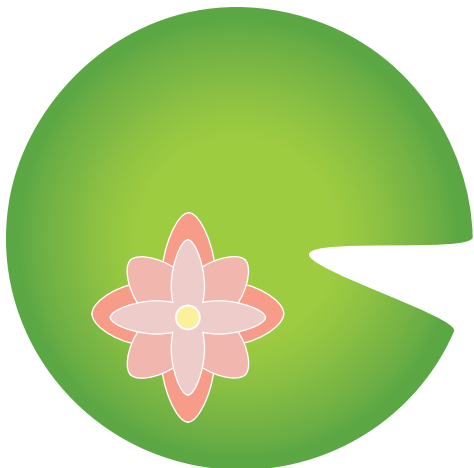
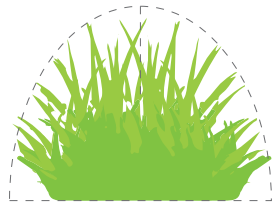
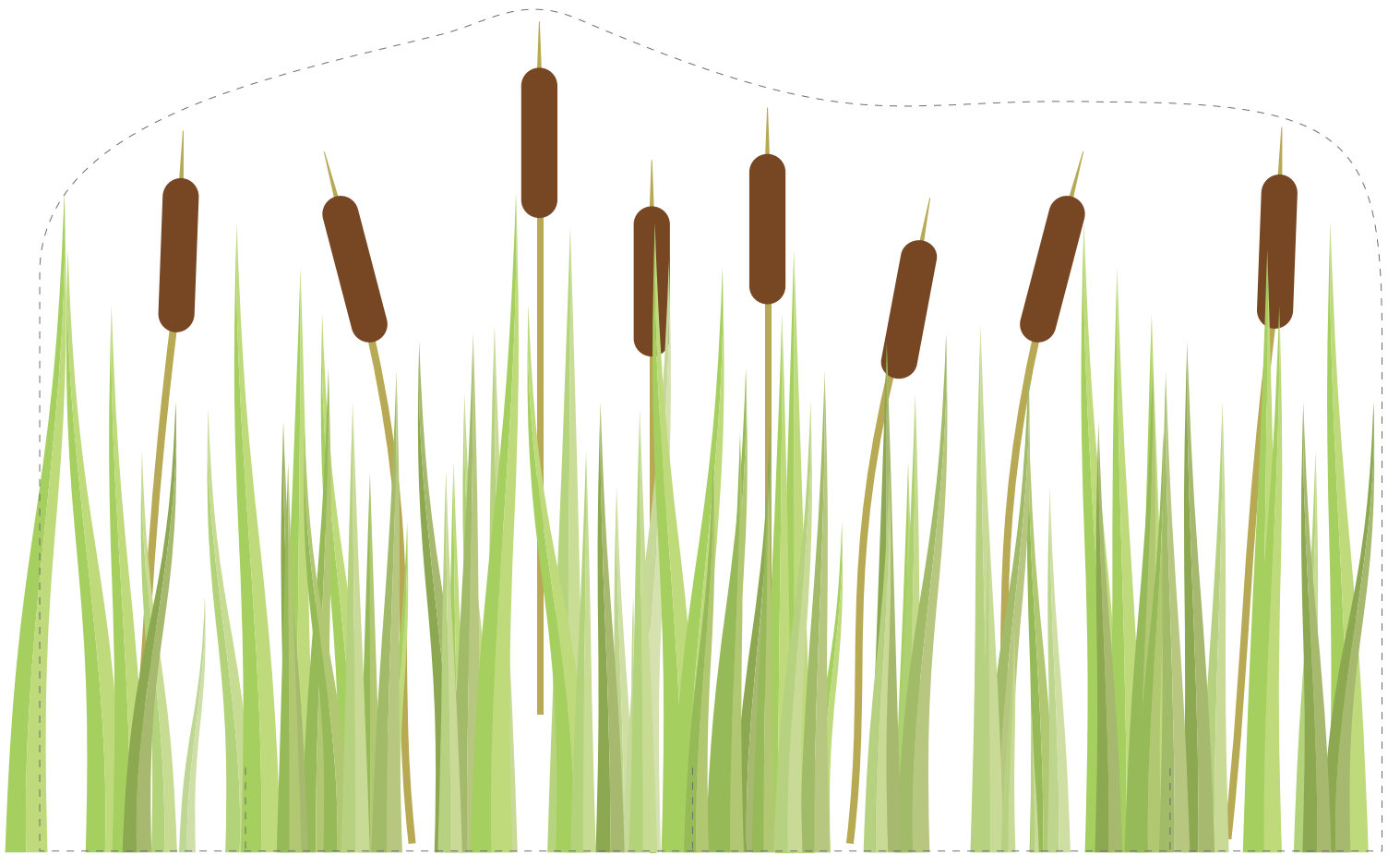
3D TREE  
FRONT

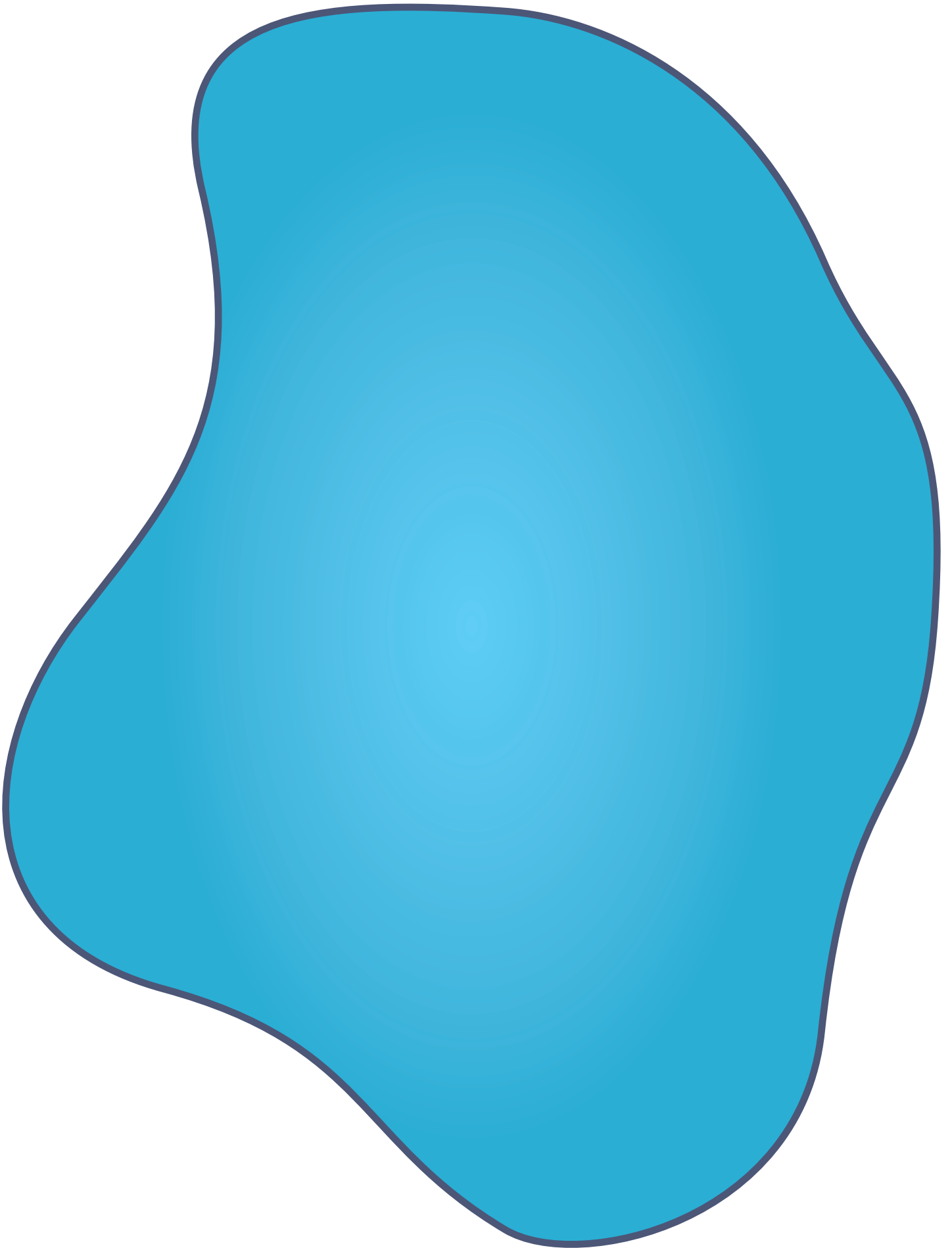


3D TREE  
BACK









# POM-POM MAZE

This is an opportunity for children to practice their hand eye coordination, breath control and to figure out how to create energy with their body!

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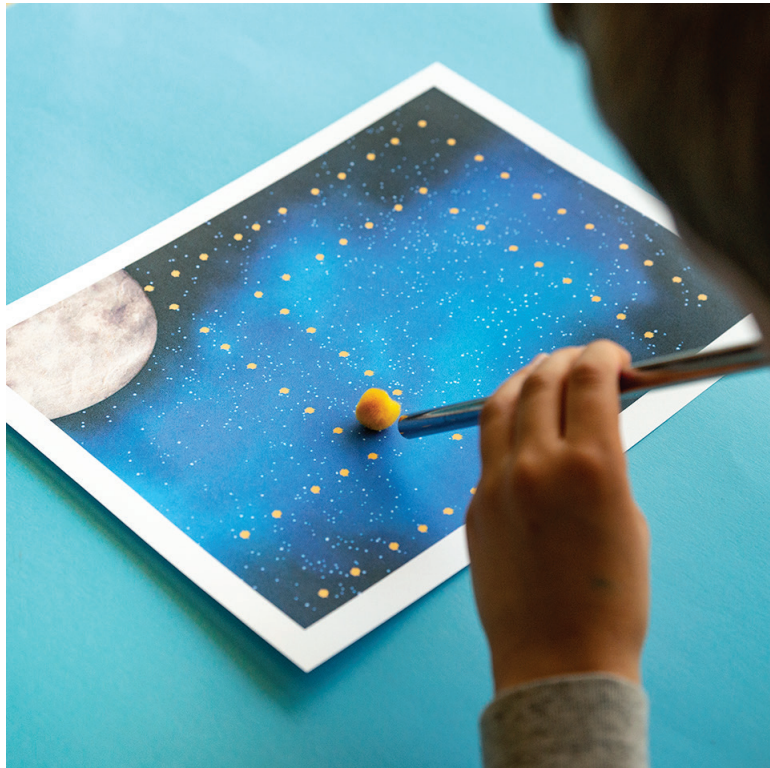
## MATERIALS

Printable  
Straw  
Pom Pom

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## DIRECTIONS

Print out the maze. Use a straw to blow a pom pom through the maze like a shooting star. See if you can go through the pathway of stars, reaching from one end to the other!





# PURPOSE

Developing one's fine motor and other related skills.



## SAFETY

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Review that you blow through the straw rather than suck and make sure your pom pom is larger than the straw's hole to prevent choking. This activity is not intended for children 0-3 years of age or who may have trouble with the concept of blowing only.

We suggest that you use a tray and a smock to protect your clothing and surfaces.

Use scissors with care and direct, adult supervision.

Use non toxic products such as glue.

Small items such as pom poms can be a choking hazard, therefore be sure to keep them out of the reach of children ages 0-3 years of age or those that tend to put things into their mouths.

Only an adult should use a craft/ utility knife to cut cardboard with care and caution, putting away in an unreachable area after.