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Chinese New Year Activities & Games

Created for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

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A little note for you...

Hi everyone, here's the complete 'Chinese New Year' Activity and Games Pack. It has everything you need to have a great meeting or party with the kids. **2014** is the year of the **HORSE**.

I always try to use games and activities that:

- need the least amount of materials and cost
- are as simple as possible to put across to the children
- are as engaging and fun as possible

The pack is split into two sections "Activities and Games". Underneath each heading you will notice that it says who it is suitable for i.e. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts or Explorers.

Take a look at all the activities and games because you may feel there are some activities and/or games which may be suitable for your section.

PRINTING HELP

IMPORTANT - If you are not intending to print in colour make sure you set your printer to greyscale (this can be found in the Print Dialog box).

Because the entire pack is in one document you will need to print specific pages. To do this you need to type the number of the page you want printed in your print dialog box.

If for example it's page 1, 3 and 5 you would type 1,3,5 so it's separated by commas.

Or if you want to print from page 10 to 20 you would type 10-20 so you put a dash in between.

If you need any more technical help than this, just email me at sameagle@scoutingbadgeshelp.com

Have fun

Samantha 😊

About Chinese New Year

In China, planes, trains, buses, boats, donkeys, and any means of transportation you can imagine, are jammed packed with people returning home to enjoy the celebrations with their friends and family. All over the world, wherever there is a Chinatown, the festivities are a colourful display of dragon dances, lantern festivals, feasts, and firecrackers.

The History of Chinese New Year

This traditional festival has been celebrated for more than four thousand years. It came about from ancient celebrations to mark the end of the long winter season and the beginning of spring.

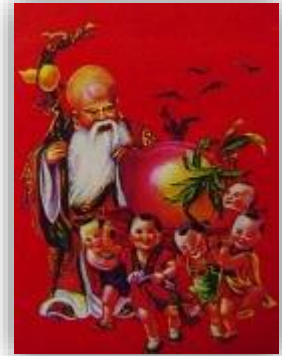
It celebrates the earth coming back to life and the beginning of the growing cycle. This is why it is also called the **Spring Festival**.

When is Chinese New Year?

Chinese New Year **2014** will be on January 31st. In China, New Year's Day is also the first day of the first month **of the Lunar Calendar!** Therefore, Chinese New Year dates vary each year and could fall at the **end of January** or in **February**.

The New Year celebrations begin on New Year's Eve, the big party is on New Year's Day, and the action continues for the next **15 days**. It all ends with the first full moon of the year, fifteen days later with the Lantern Festival, another great carnival and the perfect ending to this great holiday season.

As per long-standing Chinese customs, each year is assigned an animal according to the **Chinese Zodiac**.



Chinese New Year **Activities**



Activity No. 1 – “String Horse”

Suitable for Scouts and Explorers

I love this, it’s so amazing to do. Depending on your budget I would do this in teams of two.



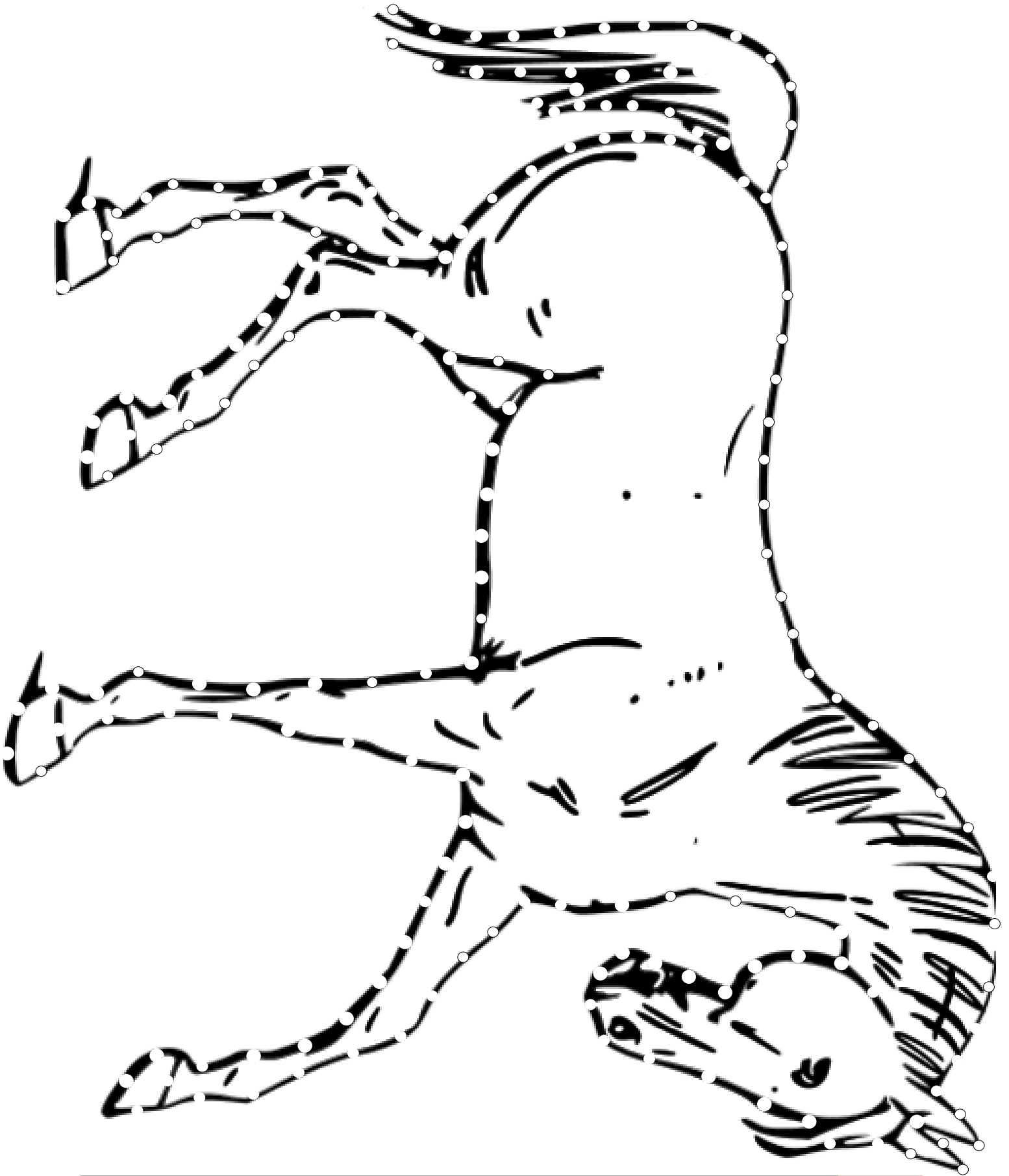
Materials Needed Per Team

For The Base - There are a couple of choices you can choose from...

- **Choice One...** Use Plywood - 12mm (half inch) thick plywood about A4 in size (sanded down if rough)
- **Choice Two...** Use Cork floor tiles and cover with Black felt material
- About a 180 small flat top nails for each horse - 25 mm (1 inch) nails, 1.6 mm size
- Red Embroidery floss thread
- Hammer, Scissors
- Optional - Paint for your board

Directions

1. If you are using board paint it otherwise skip this step
2. Lay the template on top of the backing board and secure with small pieces of tape at each side
3. The dots on the template indicate the positions for the nails. Starting at one end hammer the nails in. Try to hammer each nail in to the same depth, so they are the same height
4. Once all the nails are in starting at one corner, pull the paper up and off the nails. If small pieces of paper remain stuck under some nails, pick them off with your fingers. A pair of tweezers may be helpful if this is tricky
5. Join the thread to the first nail by wrapping it around the nail twice, leaving a tail of about 8cm (3 inches) long. Then tie a double knot around the nail. Cut the tail to about 5mm (less than a quarter of an inch) long
6. The thread must be tight between the nails, and wrap right around each nail. Don't just pass the nails, ensure you wrap around each one, about half-way down the nail



Activity No. 2 - "Chinese New Year" Candle Holders

Suitable for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers

Any age of children can make these **easy** candle holders. They can be given as presents. Get the Scouts and Explorers to use the instructions without your guidance. The cheapest way to light the jar is to buy Tea Lights, however this may be dangerous for smaller children. Therefore see below for alternatives.



Adapted from www.firstpalette.com

Materials Needed Per Child

- Glass jar preferably a similar shape to the picture
- Red art tissue paper (non-bleeding)
- Black acrylic paint or black permanent marker (can share)
- White glue or clear liquid glue (Dilute one part white glue or clear liquid glue with one part water)
- Paint brush, Scissors
- Tea light - you can buy a pack of 100 for £5.99 from amazon.co.uk
- OR for a **safer** option you can buy 20 battery flickering tea lights for about £15 from amazon.co.uk. These can be re-used at **Christmas**
- You will see on the following pages that I have given you some ideas of different designs to paint on the jar (print this out for the children to look at).



Directions



1. Wash and dry your jar



2. Tear red art tissue into small pieces



3. Dip a piece of red tissue paper onto the glue mixture then stick it onto the jar. Use your finger or paint brush to smoothen the edges of the tissue



4. Continue gluing on pieces of red tissue, overlapping the pieces along the edges



5. You can let the tissue paper go over the top edge of the jar. Leave the jar aside to dry then trim off the excess tissue along the jar's top edge



6. Use undiluted black acrylic paint or black permanent marker to make a black border along the jar's top edge



7. Paint Chinese characters or Chinese-inspired images around the jar. Get the children to practise this on paper before they paint the jar. **Finally just pop in your tea light.**

Example Pictures to Draw on the Jar...

This means "Snake"

蛇

This means "Love"

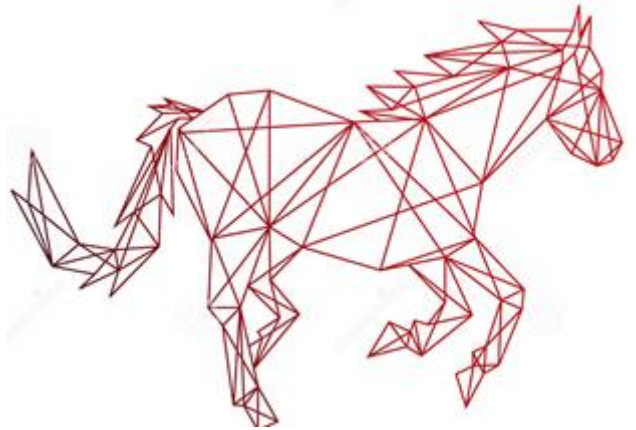
愛

This means "Faith"

信

This means "Hope"

望



This means "Happy New Year"

恭贺新禧

This means "Peace"

平

This means "Beauty"

美

This means "Courage"

英

This means "Friend"

朋友

Activity No. 3 – “The Tack Horse”

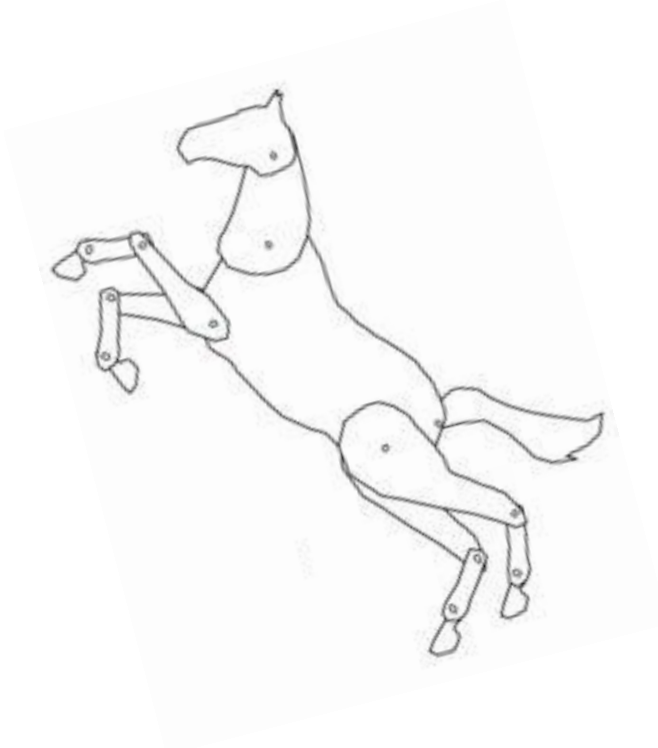
Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

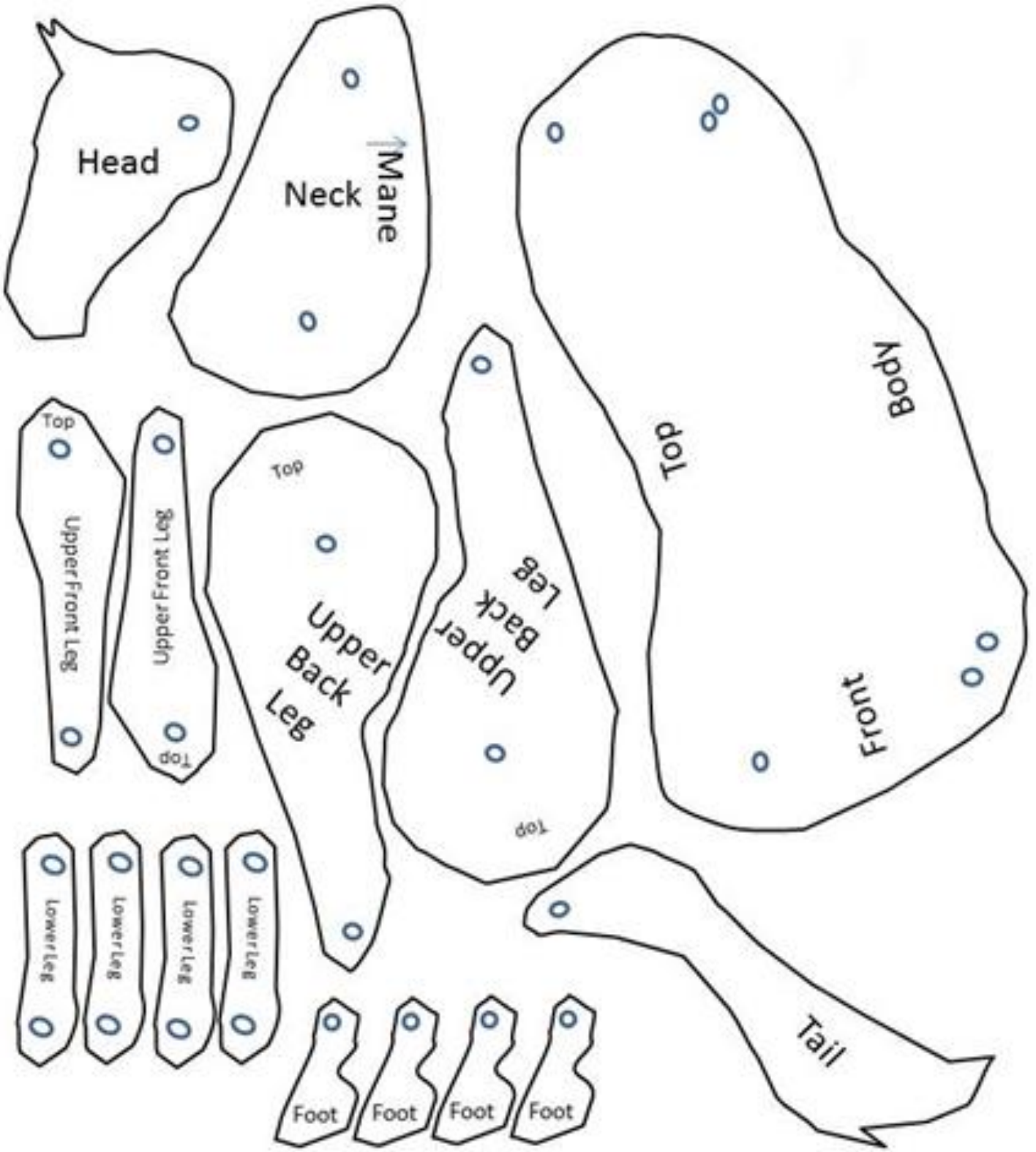
Materials Needed

- 13 Tacks for each horse (13 will cost about 20-25p)
- Scissors
- Thin card 1x A4 sheet for each child
- Paints or Pens to decorate the horse

Directions

1. Print and cut out the Horse template one for each team of 6
2. Draw around the horse template pieces on your thin card and make a small **mark** where the tacks should go
3. Cut out your pieces
4. Use the tacks to join the horse pieces together
5. Decorate your horse using paints or pens





Activity No. 4 – “The Cork Horse”

Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

Materials Needed for Each Horse

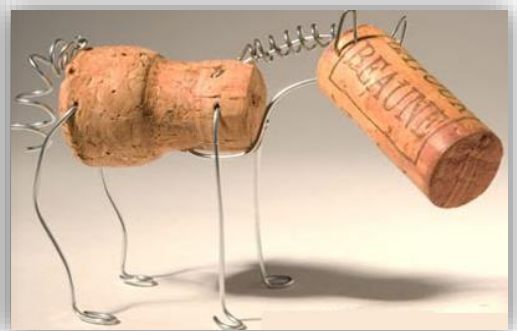
- 3½ Corks
- 4 Match Sticks
- Optional – Paint (red and gold for Chinese New Year)
- Some thick craft string or wool for the mane and the tail
- 2 x pins with bobbles on the end for the eyes
- 2 x Paperclips or thin pieces of wire to attach the corks
- Thin hooks or wire to attach the mane and tail

Directions

1. Print the corks if that’s the design you want
2. Using your wire or paperclips push the end through the bottom of one cork (neck) then the other end into top front of the cork that will be the horses body
3. Now repeat for the face
4. Push the Match sticks into the bottom of the cork to create the legs
5. Cut out some tiny pieces for the feet and push the other end of the match sticks into the feet
6. Push the pins into the face to create the eyes
7. Now you want to create a small hook out of thin wire and push both ends into the bottom of the horse leaving a big enough hook so that you can push through the wool/cotton to create the tail
8. Repeat the same procedure in step 7 to create the mane

Optional

You can decorate the horse even further by using different materials, pearls, beads and sequins. Use red and gold for the ‘Chinese New Year’ colours.



Activity No. 5 – “Paper Bag Stick Horse”

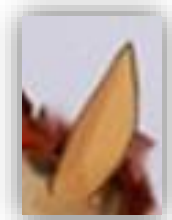
Suitable for Beavers, Cubs

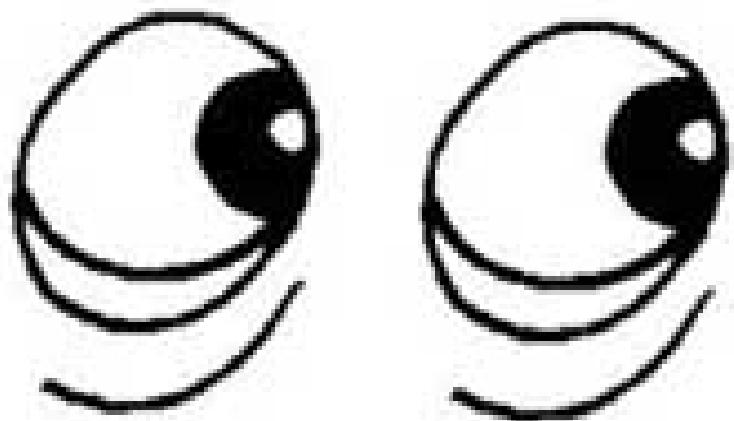
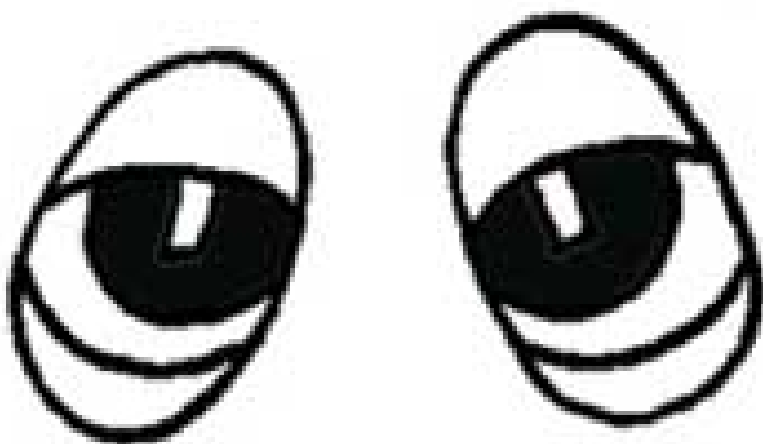
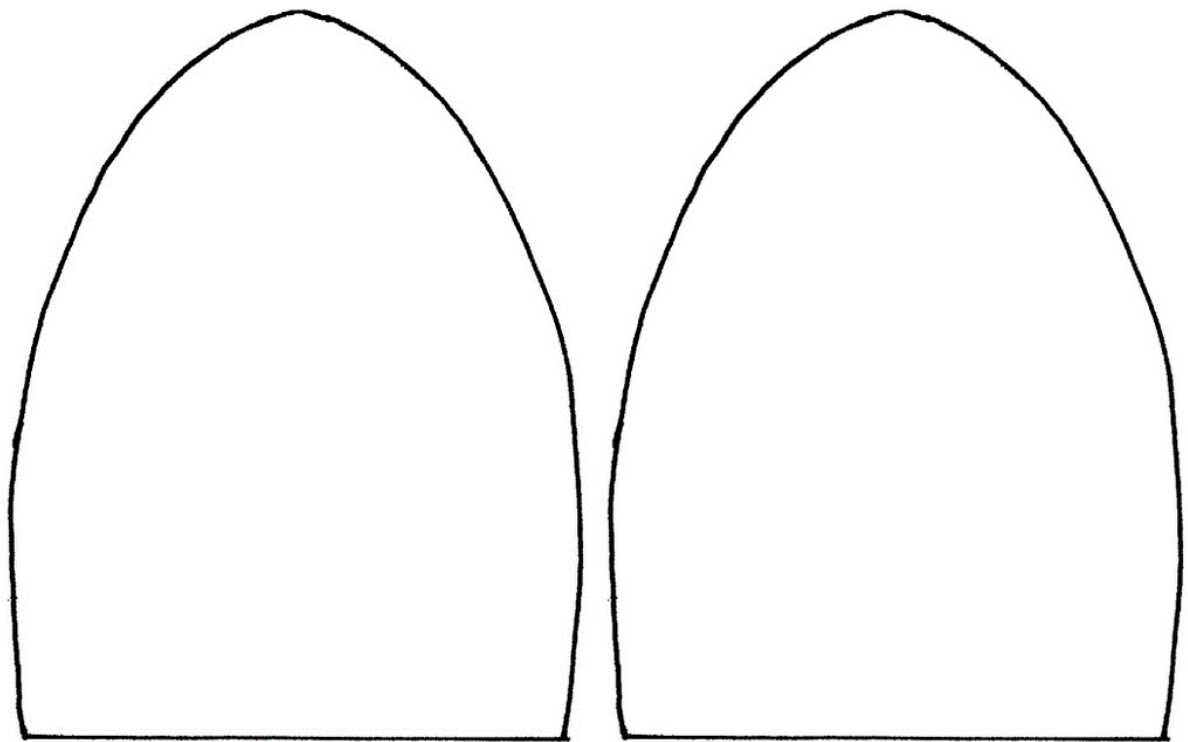
Materials Needed

- Brown paper bags (you can buy about 100 for £1.50 on amazon.co.uk)
- Tape
- Scissors
- Feathers or wool
- Gift wrap tubes (alternatively you can use rolled up pieces of newspaper to make a tube)
- Newspaper to stuff the bag with
- Brown felt tip pen

Directions

1. Print out the Ears and eyes template found on the next page use these as templates to draw around on some thin card
2. Tear up small pieces of newspaper screw them up and stuff them into the bag to make the horse’s head
3. Gather the opening of the bag around your cardboard tube and tape it to the tube
If you are using newspaper for your tube tape the centre of the tube with masking tape and paint the tube to cover the newsprint
4. Cut out your ears. Colour them in with a brown colour and put a slight crease in them as shown here
5. Cut out the eyes glue them to each side of the head
6. Glue feathers or wool to the head and tube to make the mane
7. Using felt tip pen draw on some nostrils





Activity No. 6 – “Chinese Paper Lantern”

Suitable for Beavers (with help), Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

These look great to hang around at a party or for just using as a craft. Really easy to make but very effective and fun for all ages.

Materials Needed Per Lantern

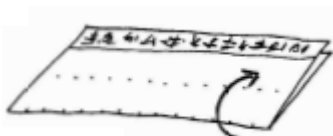
- Pattern pages use thick coloured paper – it’s better if you can use red for the lantern and yellow or gold for the dragon
- Scissors
- Crayons or coloured pencils
- Glue stick
- White glue
- Paper clips
- Tape
- Thin yarn, or high-quality craft string (recommended colours: red, yellow, black, white)



Adapted from ellenjmchenry.com

Directions

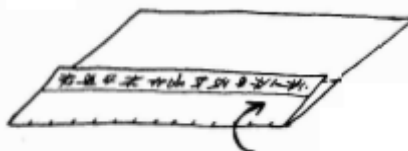
1. Photocopy or print the pattern pages (the dragon and the lantern found on the following pages)
2. Colour the dragon (optional)
3. Now follow these directions...



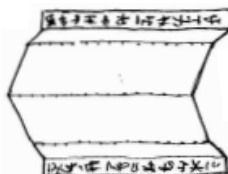
1. Take the Lantern template and fold in half (lengthways) and open back out again



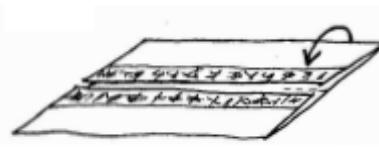
4. Fold the calligraphy strip back and do the same on the other side



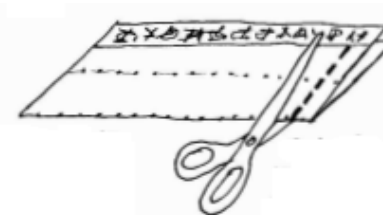
2. Fold this side to the middle on the dotted line



5. If you open it up it should look like this



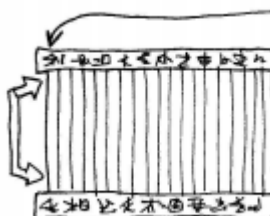
3. Do the same on the other side



6. Fold in half again. Then cut strips using the dots as guides but stop each time when you reach the calligraphy



7. Cut strip off the bottom of the dragon picture and put aside this will be used for the handle. Also cut off the excess paper to the left of the flagpole



If you don't know which way is right side up, use the picture on the right to compare the first character on the strip.



Good Luck

8. WARNING before carrying out this step please read note above. Cut one bar off the left side of the lantern and any spare bit that the printer caused. Use picture above to help you.

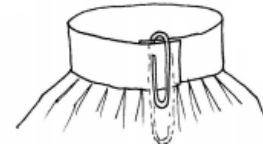
9. Rub your glue stick along the bottom and top edges. And stick the Dragon template to the lantern.



10. Wrap the lantern into a cylinder shape overlapping onto the missing bar



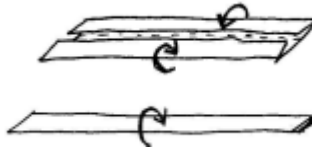
11. Use white glue to secure overlap because it's stronger than the glue stick. Secure with paper clip until dry then remove. You may need to apply a tiny bit of glue to the crease of the dragon paper.



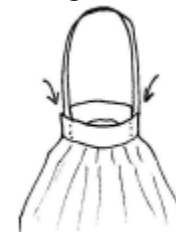
12. MAKING THE HANDLE
- Take the paper strip of paper from step 7 and fold in half lengthways then open out again



13. Fold each side into the middle, then apply glue to the sides and press them together



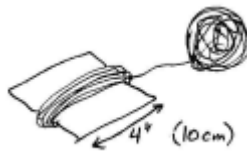
14. Insert the handle inside the of the lantern and secure using the strong glue



15. MAKING THE TASSELS
- In China 4 is considered an unlucky number so you need 3 or 5 tassels



16. Wind string around a piece of cardboard. Wrap about 25-30 times



17. Cut one end and lay the bundle out

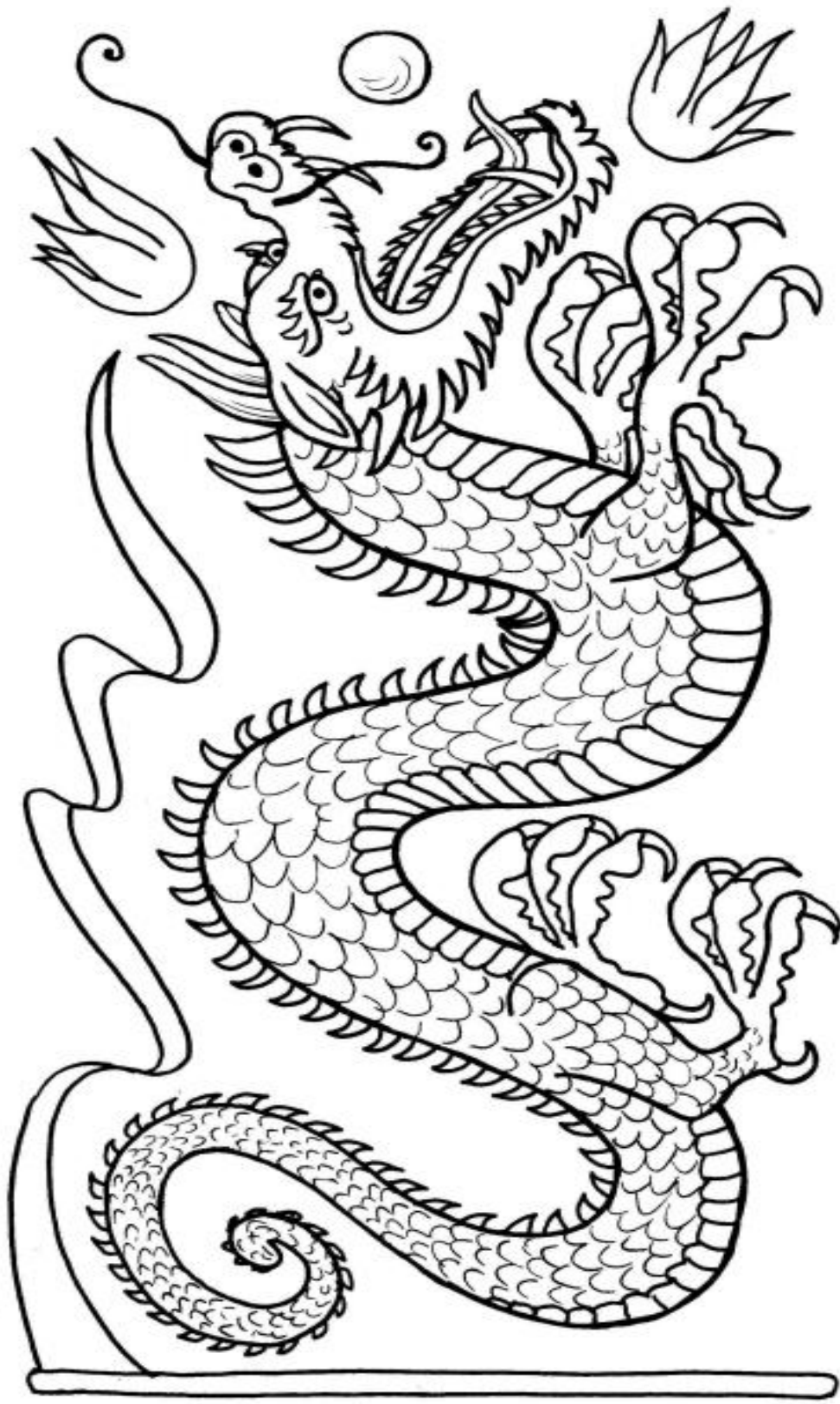


18. Tie in the middle



19. Fold bundle over and tie here

20. Trim at bottom if necessary. Now just tape the tassels up inside the bottom of the lantern



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Activity No. 7 – “Easy Stand Up Horse”

Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

If you have a small group you may want to cut out the templates for the Beavers or help with the cutting.

Materials Needed for Each Horse

- Template for Paper Horse (found on following pages)
- 2 x A4 Sheet of Thin White Card
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Grey coloured pencil
- Craft paint or Felt Tip Pens (black, grey, pink)
- Fine-tipped black marker
- Thin black cotton yarn or pearl cotton embroidery thread
- 2 paper clips
- Good quality glue stick or tacky
- Glue (you need two types one with a thin applicator and a glue stick)
- Pinch-style clothespins (for holding the glued pieces together)
- A6 Size of Black craft paper

Directions

1. Print and cut out the template, and then trace it onto a sheet of cardstock. Flip the template over and trace it onto a second sheet of cardstock
2. Cut out the tracings and use one for the front of the horse and the other for the back
3. Draw the detail lines and facial features on both the front and back horse pieces with a grey coloured pencil (you will find copies of the picture on the following page for you to cut out and put on each table to give the children an idea of what to do)
 - ❖ **Tip:** To make it easier, you can place the template on top and use a regular pencil to draw over the lines using enough pressure to leave a light imprint on the horse pieces. Then you can go over the imprints with the coloured pencil.
4. Paint the hooves black and the shading on the far legs and underbelly grey (don't forget to paint both the front and back horse pieces)
5. Fill in the shaded areas on the chest, neck, and around the cheeks. Fill in the nostrils. Use a black marker to outline the eyes. Use the pink paint/pen for the ears. Use a black marker for the eye pupils and eyebrows
6. For the tail, gather ten 12-inch pieces of cotton yarn in a bunch and tie another piece tightly around the middle



Adapted from www.spoonful.com



7. For the mane, cut a bunch of 6-inch lengths of cotton yarn and divide them into groups of 4 or 5 strands. Tie each group with another piece of yarn, as you did the tail. You'll need 13 or so groups to complete the mane and forelock (near the ears)
8. Place the back horse piece painted side down. Use the liquid glue to attach the top of the tail to the rump, positioning it as shown. Then apply glue along the upper neck and attach mane sections, placing them close together until you reach the ears
9. For the forelock, stick one of the mane sections to the base of ears, as shown, and then pull the yarn strands forward toward the face
10. Now it's time to create a pair of stands so the finished horse can be set upright. For each stand bend the curved portion in the centre of a paper clip so that it sticks straight up. The short end of the clip will be the front of the stand and the long end will be the back
11. To attach the stands to the horse, first place the back horse piece (the one with the mane and tail attached) painted side down on a table top so that the hooves are at the edge. Wrap glue around the upright portion of each paperclip stand. Attach one stand to the right hind hoof and the other to the right front hoof, as shown
12. Now you're ready to join the two horse halves. Brush an even coat of tacky glue on the inner back piece, going right over the knotted portions of the tail and mane sections as well as around the attached portions of the paperclip stands. Don't forget the tips of the ears
13. Set the front horse piece in place on top of the glued back piece, carefully matching up all of the edges. Press the two halves together firmly, using pinch-style clothespins to hold the layers together wherever needed until the glue dries
14. Remove the clothespins and trim the mane, forelock and tail if needed
15. Stand the horse up. Ideally, the front and back of each paper clip should rest on the tabletop. If not, you may need to adjust one or both of the stands. To do so, firmly pinch the lower leg and hoof between your fingertips to stabilise the leg while gently levelling the bottom of the stand. It might take a couple of tries to get it right, but you shouldn't have to move the clip too much
16. For his harness, cut notches in two long strips of black paper. Wrap the strips around the chest and rump and use glue to hold them in place
17. **Ideas for creating a scene for your horses.** Set them all amongst some green plants or on a large piece of green paper







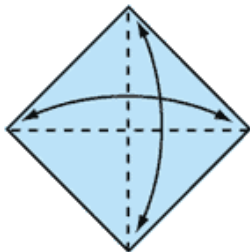
Activity No. 8 – “Origami Horse”

Suitable for Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

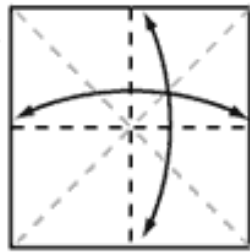
Materials Needed Per Child

- One sheet of origami paper (square) for each child.

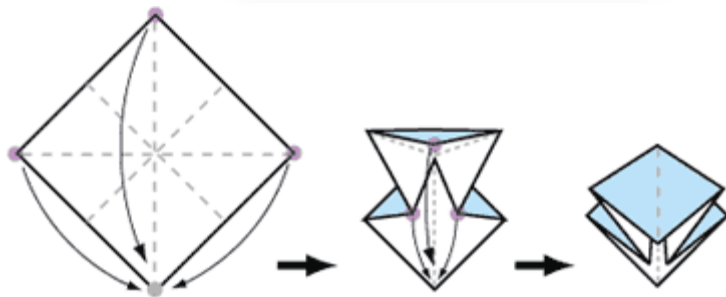
Directions



1 Start with a square piece of paper, coloured side up, positioned as a diamond shape, fold the paper in half, crease well and open, and then fold again in the other direction.



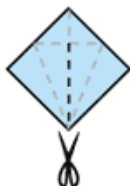
2 Turn the paper over to the white side. Fold the paper in half, crease well and open, and then fold again in the other direction.



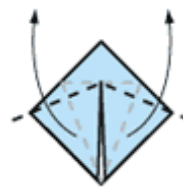
3 Position the paper coloured side down and diamond shaped in front of you. Take the left and right corner and bring it down to the bottom corner now the top corner will start to come with it bring that down and press down to flatten.



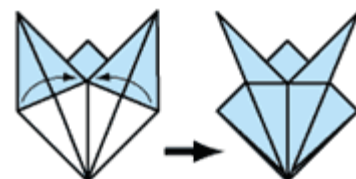
4 Take the right corner to meet the middle crease and fold toward the centre line, and do the same to the left corner. So you have a kite shape. Now fold the top point downwards. Now unfold the three creases you have just made



5 Just open the top layer and cut along the middle crease up to the top horizontal crease.



6 Fold the "legs" upwards along the creases shown.



7 Fold the left and right sections inwards and in half towards the centre.



8 Turn model over and repeat steps 4-7 on other side. The model should now look like this



9 Turn your model upside down make creases as shown. Unfold



10 Inside Reverse Fold the head and the tail

Activity No. 9 – “The Dragon Parade”

Suitable for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

These directions will show you how to make this Dragon Head, however you are going to paint it red and gold so that it's in line with 'Chinese New Year'. Then you will make a body so that the children can perform a dragon dance at the dragon parade.



Adapted from www.spoonful.com

Within your “Dragon Parade”...

- Perform a dragon dance
- Play some Chinese music
- Eat some Chinese food
- Play some of the Chinese games found in this pack
- On the night of the parade get everyone to wear red and gold/yellow

If your budget allows get each group of 6 children to make their own dragon using these instructions. Scouts should be able to make their own without too much help. However Beavers and Cubs will need help.

What I suggest with the Beavers is to prepare the card and construct it but get them to paint it. With the Cubs prepare the card but they should be able to construct it then they can paint and decorate.

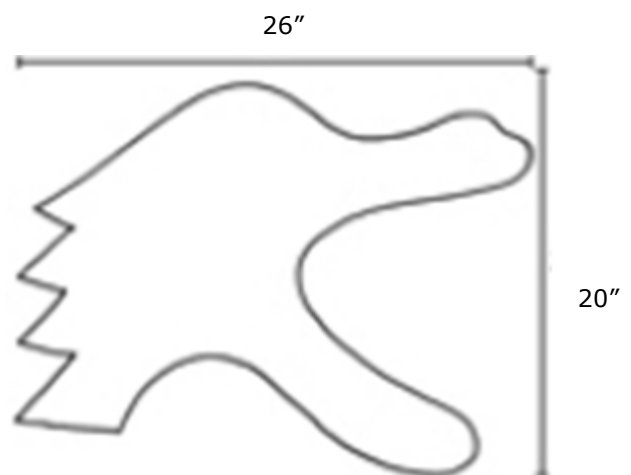
Materials Needed for each Dragon

- Pencil
- Scissors
- Sheets of cardboard see the sizes by looking at steps 1-4
- Red, Gold/Yellow, White and Black paints and paintbrushes
- Clear packing tape
- Masking tape
- 3 x A4 sheets of red and yellow cellophane
- Small very lightweight flashlight
- Massive red sheet/material or white that you can dye
- Materials to decorate the red material for the Dragons body - e.g. Gold/Yellow paint, Gold Christmas tinsel, Gold Sequins, Gold Foil or something sparkly and eye catching

Directions

Step 1 – Main Head Pieces

- You need **two** pieces of card Length 26 inches (66.04cm) and Height 20 inches (50.8cm)
- Follow this shape as best as you can and big enough to fill the card
- Cut out the shape, then draw round that head piece onto the other piece of cardboard and cut that one out too



Step 2 – Teeth Pieces

- You need **four** pieces of card Length 11 inches (27.94cm) and Height 2.5 inches (6.35cm)
- Draw a teeth shape big enough to fill the card and cut it out
- Now use this piece as the template for the other three pieces



Step 3 – Chin Strip Piece

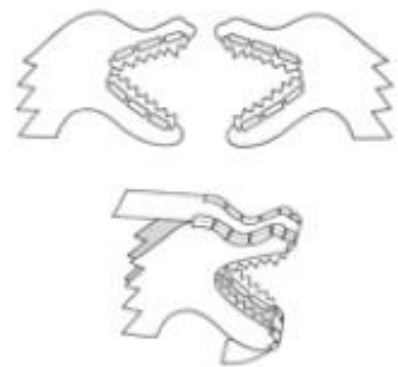
- You need **one** piece of card Length 9 inches (22.86cm) and Height 4 inches (10.16cm)

Step 4 - Head Strip Piece

- You need **one** piece of card Length 34.5 inches (87.62cm) and Height 4 inches (10.16cm)

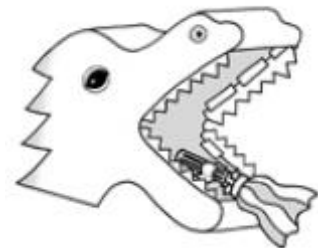
Step 5 - Constructing the Head

- Paint both sides of the teeth white and allow them to dry
- With the head shapes mirroring each other, attach the teeth inside the upper and lower jaws with clear packing tape
- Next, assemble the head by using masking tape to secure the head and chin strips in place between the head pieces
- Paint the entire Dragons head pieces red
- Once it's dry paint on some eyes and nostrils
- Now paint some gold patterns on the head



Step 6 - Constructing the Fire Breathing

- Wrap the cellophane around the end of the flashlight and secure it with clear packing tape
- Cut the ends so they appear thread like
- Use masking tape to secure the flashlight inside the lower jaw



Step 7 - You can now try the Dragon head on one of the child's shoulders

Step 8 – Creating the Dragon Body

- Get the children to decorate the red cloth with gold paint or stick on bits of gold Christmas tinsel, gold foil (something sparkly and eye catching) – Use the pictures below for ideas on how to decorate
- Glue the red sheet/cloth to the neck of the dragon
- You have a couple of choices here you can either...
 - Just have 2 or 3 children under the sheet dancing behind the child that has the head onOr
 - You can get 2 or 3 children to use long sticks/broom handles to hold up the sheet as they dance around like the following photos



Activity No. 10 – “Egg Box Chinese Dragon”

Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

An amazingly quick and easy way to create a dragon hand puppet! If you are struggling for materials create one puppet between 2 children.

Materials Needed For Each Child

We are going to use slightly different coloured materials for our dragon to make it more in line with ‘Chinese New Year’.

- 1 ½ x Egg box cartons (6 eggs)
- 2 x Red thick paper or thin card
- 1 x Yellow thick paper or thin card
- Scissors
- Black and Yellow marker pen
- Masking tape
- Googly eyes alternatively you can use black and white paint
- Green paint for the eyes and Red paint for the head



Adapted from www.kidspot.com.au

Preparation

1. Print two copies of the template cut outs found on the following page. Print one copy on the **Red** paper and one on the **Yellow** paper.

Directions



1. Cut out the shapes on your coloured paper so that you have 1x Tongue and 2x each of the other two diagrams.



2. Cut the lid off **one** of your egg boxes and snip off any tab (if there is one). Paint the top of the box Red and allow to dry.



Make holes here and here

3. Using masking tape stick the two parts back together at the back **only** and make holes in the back for your **fingers** to go into *see diagram*



4. Using the second egg box cut away **two** of the cups from the base and paint them **Green**. Once dry stick on the googly eyes or paint them on.



5. Using glue or double back tape stick the eyes onto the back of the box facing forward.



6. Using tape stick the straight edge of the tongue inside the front of the egg box and then fold it twice to match the diagram.



7. Now add the side effects. Use the picture to guide you. Stick the taller one on first then the shorter on top.

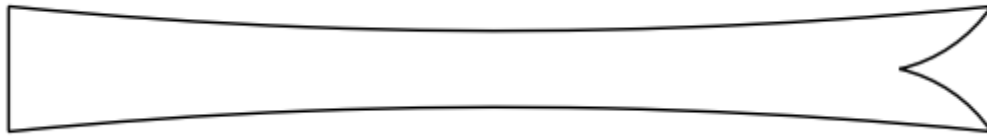


8. The next step is to create your dragons' tail. Take your A4 sheet of Red paper and draw scales through it using Yellow paint or a Yellow Felt tip pen, then fold in the top corners of the sheet so it is the same width as the back of the your dragons' head. Now using tape stick the paper to the back and top of the head

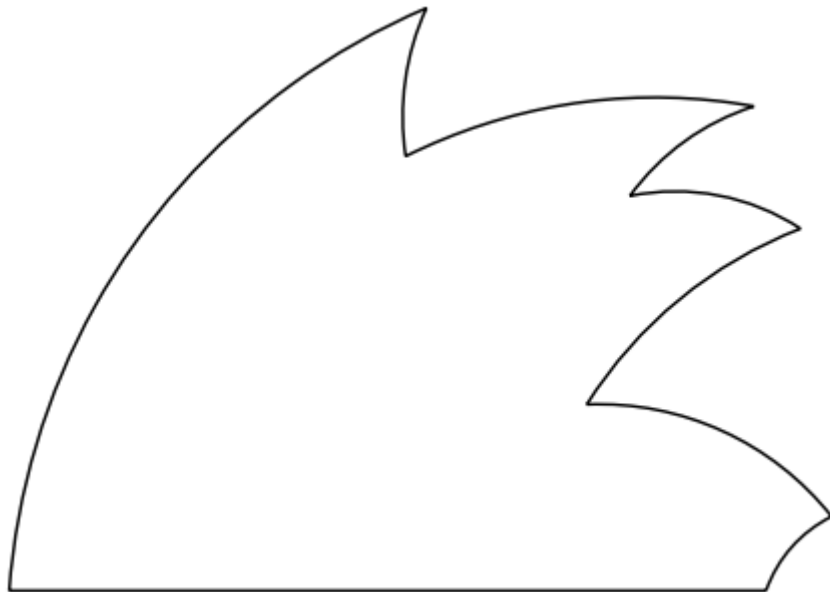
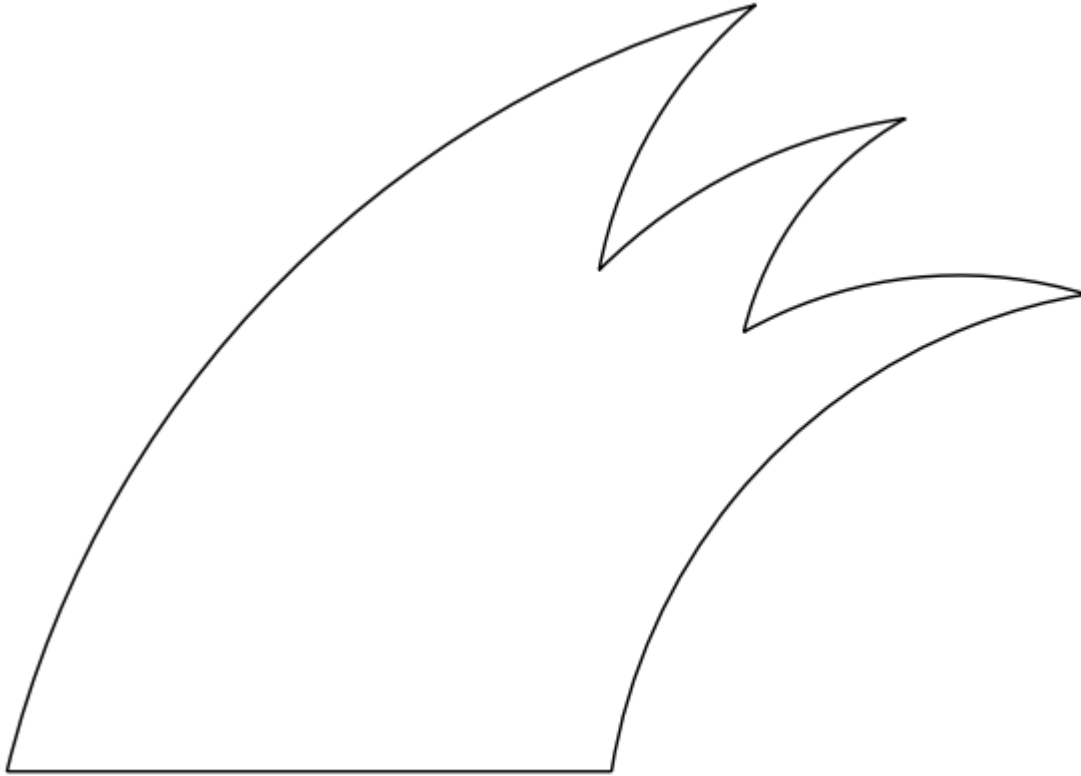


9. Lastly using your black marker draw some nostrils on the front of the head. Now you can insert your fingers into the holes you made earlier to open and close the Dragons' mouth!





Tongue



Activity No. 11 – “Chinese Dragon Mask”

Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

Materials Needed for each Child

- Paint or Coloured Pens
- Scissors

Directions

1. Print out the Chinese Dragon Mask on the next page you need one for each child
2. Cut out the mask
3. Colour them in
4. Place tape to the back of the holes to make them stronger
5. Use a pin or something similar to make the holes at the side of the mask
6. Thread some string through the holes at the sides of the mask
7. Place the mask over your face and tie a bow to secure around your head



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Activity No. 12 – “Simple Chinese Paper Dragon”

Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

Materials Needed for each Child

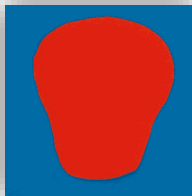
- 2 strips of red and yellow paper (75cm long and 3 cm wide)
- 1x Red card or very thick paper 8cm by 8cm
- 1 x Yellow paper 8cm by 3cm
- 1 x Yellow A4 paper
- 1 x White A4 paper
- Pencil
- Sequins
- Glue and Scissors



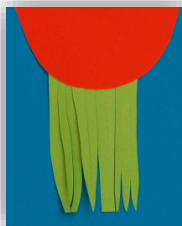
Adapted www.topmarks.co.uk

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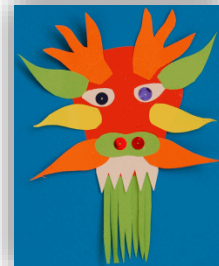
Please note that there are no templates for the shapes, this will allow each child to create their own style of dragon. I have put the picture on the next page so that you can show the children before they start roughly what they can create.



1. Using the red 8cm x 8cm card draw a dragon head using the diagram above to help you then cut it out.



2. Using the yellow 8cm x 3cm paper snip wavy lines almost to the full length to make the dragon's beard then glue it to the back of the chin of the dragon's head.



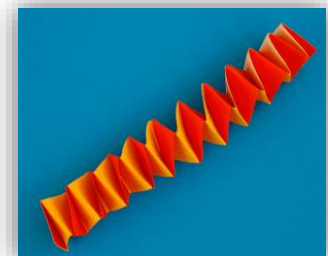
3. Using the white paper draw some teeth and eyes. Cut them out and stick them onto the dragons head using the diagram above to help you.



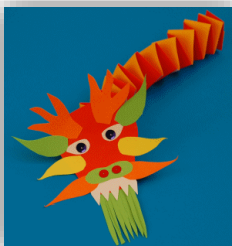
4. Using the yellow paper draw some further shapes, to stick around the edge of the dragons head. Add some sequins for eyes and nostrils.



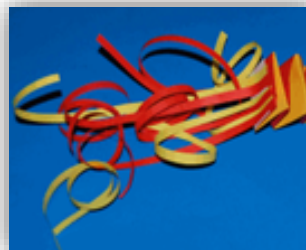
5. Glue the ends of the two long strips of red and yellow paper together at right angles.



6. Fold the bottom strip over the top strip and then the top strip over the bottom strip repeatedly. Glue the ends together well.



7. Glue the dragon's head to the body.



8. Cut some narrow strips of red and yellow paper for the tail. Curl these carefully between your thumb and some rounded scissors and glue them to the end of the dragon.



Activity No. 13 – “Paper Dragon”

Suitable for Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

This craft is the copyright of **Canon** it’s a really fantastic craft. Although the Beavers would love this it’s a bit tricky to make. Maybe the Scouts and Explorers could make them for the Beavers as a present.

You do need a colour printer for this craft.



Materials Needed for each child

- 1 x A4 paper
- Scissors
- Glue

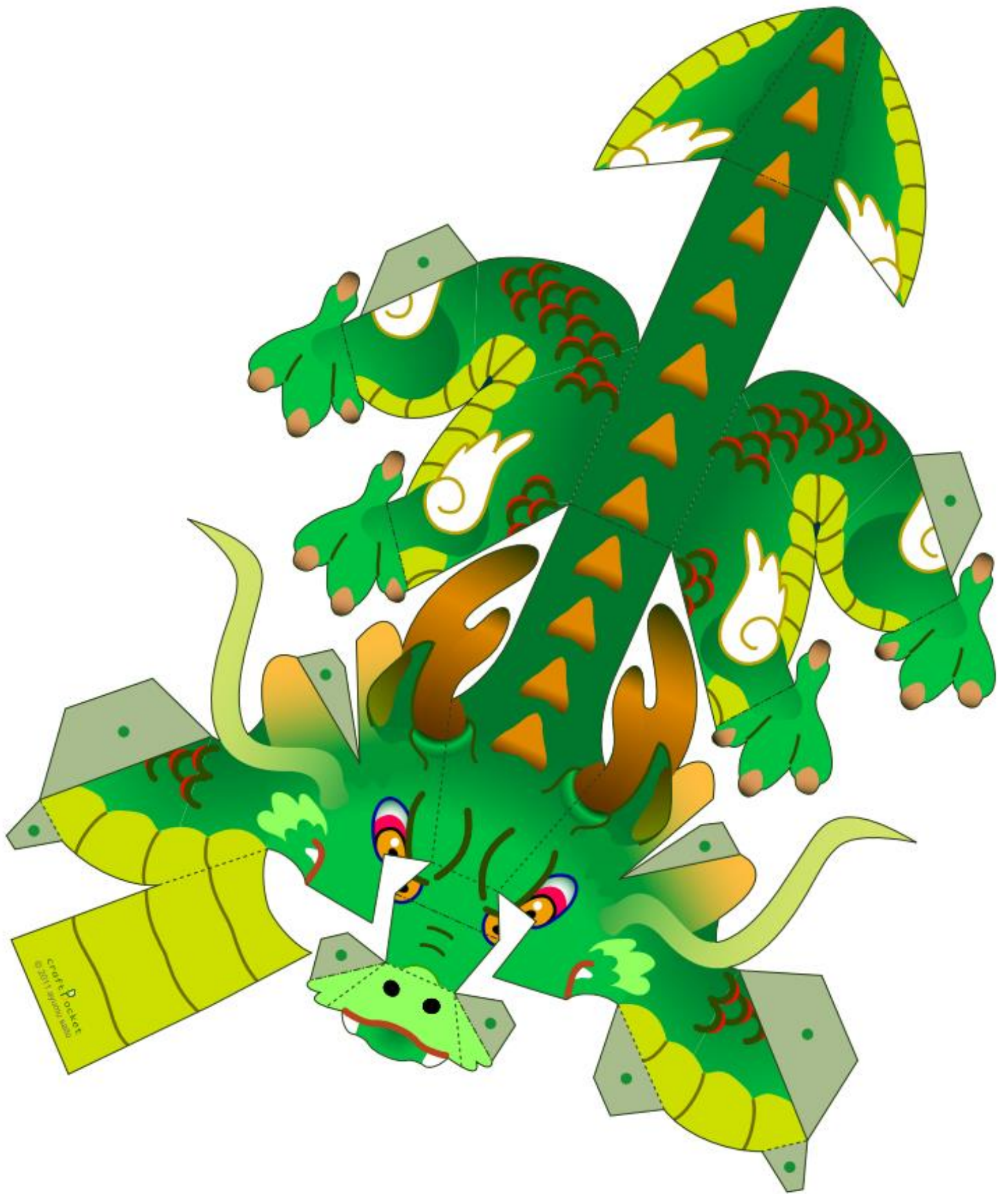
Preparation

1. Print out the template on the following page you need one for each child. You can print this in black and white but it would be much better in colour. I guess the next best thing would be to print on green paper
2. Now you need to print the visual instructions which can be found on the page after the template. I have put three on the page this can be printed on black and white. Print enough for each table sharing

Directions

1. Using the template cut out the dragon. You need to take your time and cut very carefully
2. Fold each flap (I have detailed what one looks like below)
3. Now one at a time use the **arrows** in your visual instructions to glue each tab in the position it should go. If you study the diagram you will not go wrong, don’t rush take your time and you will end up with a cute little dragon.







Activity No. 14 – “Life Size Wooden Horse Project”

Suitable for Scouts and Explorers

Whilst I don't actually have any instructions to make this life size horse, I thought using this picture would make a great project for either Scouts or Explorers to do as a group. It can go a long way towards their 'Model Maker Badge' for Scouts or 'Creative Arts Badge' for Explorers.

Ask around so see if there are any parents that are into woodworking that could help the boys create this life size horse out of wood.

Once it's finished you could get the Cubs and Beavers to come along and have a ride for 'Chinese New Year'!

Materials Needed

- Saw, Hammer
- Pieces of wood
- Nails



Chinese New Year Games



Game No. 1 – “The Chinese Zodiac Game”[©]

Suitable for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

The Chinese Zodiac is based on a twelve year cycle, each year in that cycle relates to an animal sign. 2014 is the year of the Horse.



Materials Needed

- 1 x A4 sheet of paper to print the signs below




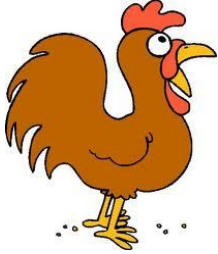




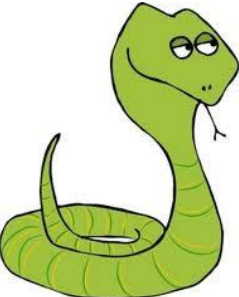



Preparation

1. Print and cut out the Zodiac Signs on the following page.
Fold them individually and put into a small box

Directions

1. **Leader Speak** – “The Chinese Zodiac is based on a twelve year cycle, each year in that cycle relates to an animal sign. 2014 is the year of the Snake. We are going to play a game called “The Chinese Zodiac Game”[©]
2. Split your group into two teams
3. The leader holds out the box to the first group and one of the children without looking picks out a sign
4. Two children from that group have to both mime the animal they’ve picked – they are not allowed to make any noises just mimic with each other the animal they picked
5. The other group have 30 seconds to guess what Zodiac Sign they are if they guess correctly they gain two points if it’s not guessed within the time limit no one scores
6. If you have more than 24 children then get them to mime in 3’s so they all get to do something
7. If you find that they can’t guess especially the younger groups then allow them to make the noise as well
8. The winning team is the one with the most points
9. Once all the animals have been used play the game again but this time allow the other team 20 seconds to guess – by the time they’ve played this a couple of times they should be able to remember all the animals

Chinese Zodiac Signs

 <p>Rat</p>	 <p>Ox</p>	 <p>Tiger</p>	 <p>Rooster</p>
 <p>Horse</p>	 <p>Pig</p>	 <p>Rabbit</p>	 <p>Dragon</p>
 <p>Snake</p>	 <p>Dog</p>	 <p>Goat</p>	 <p>Monkey</p>

Game No. 2 – “Pass The Nut[©]”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers



Materials Needed for each Team

- 1 x Set of Chopsticks
- A selection of **four** objects of different sizes for example...
 - Unshelled walnut
 - Acorn
 - Dried Pea

Please note that the objects must be the same for each team

- 2 x Small plates

Before The Game...Learn How to Use Chopsticks

1. **Leader Speak** - Chinese food is often prepared and served in small bite-size pieces, which makes it easy when eating with chopsticks. Using chopsticks properly just takes lots of practise
2. Demonstrate the following to the children...
 - a. Pick up the first chopstick with your middle finger and thumb. This one is your anchor -- it should not move. Stiffen your hand for a firm grip. Have the broad end of the chopstick lay in the crook of your hand, where your thumb and pointer finger connect.
 - b. Chopstick number 2 slides between your thumb and index finger. You move this chopstick by moving the index finger up and down, this motion will open and close the chopsticks, which is how you will pick up food



How to play

1. Split your group into teams of four and give each team their chopsticks and a couple of minutes to practice using them
2. Ask each team to stand next to each other at a table
3. Place the plates in front of the first player side by side. Put the four objects on the first plate
4. On your word go the first player in the team has to pick up any of the objects and drop it onto the second plate once that's done the second player does the same with the next object until all the players have picked up one object and placed it on the other plate
5. You can make it harder by having the plates further apart. The winning team is the one that has transferred all four objects onto the empty plate
6. Play the game as many times as you like

Game No. 3 – “Chinese Fist Slinging”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers

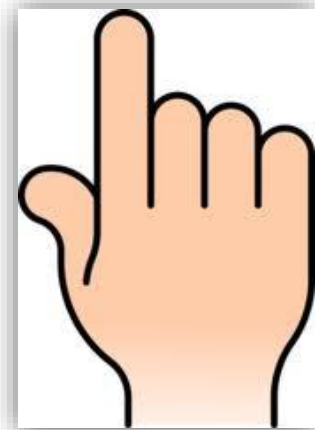
This game is one that the Chinese play at “Chinese New Year”

Materials Needed

- Paper and pen to record scores

How to Play

7. **Leader Speak** – We are going to play a game called “Chinese Fist Slinging” this game is played by many children at “Chinese New Year”
8. Split your group in teams of 6
9. Choose one child in each team to be the caller. That child calls out any number from 0-50 (because there is a total of 50 fingers)
10. At the same time the remaining team members “throw their fists,” in the air holding up any number of fingers
11. If the sum of the fingers on the two fists of all the children is the amount called, the caller wins a point and can have another go
12. If it’s not correct then the next child in the team becomes the caller
13. All calls must be made to synchronize exactly with the throwing of the fingers so that no player can adjust her/his fingers in order to win



Further Notes

1. To finish the game you can choose a time limit. Personally I would start with a time let’s say 10 minutes and if the kids are really enjoying themselves maybe you can add another 5
2. If you want to have a team competition you can at the end of the time limit add up all the points and the winning team is the one with the most points. You can if you wish give them a little Chinese related treat

Game No. 4 – “Hopping Chop Sticks”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers

This is a really fun game for all ages, although the first set of instructions may be a bit hard for Beavers so I have given an easier version underneath. Whichever section you are you need to read the first set to get an idea of how to play the game.



Materials Needed for Each Team of Six

- Ten sticks which are at least 12 inches (30cm) long (ruler length size)
- Arrange in a row about 10 inches apart like rungs on a ladder on the floor, one row for each **team**

How to Play

1. Split your group into teams of 6
2. The first player in each team must hop over these sticks without touching any of them. Touching a stick disqualifies the player and the next player in the team has their turn
3. After hopping over the last stick, still on one foot, the player reaches down and picks up the stick
4. They then hops back over the remaining sticks
5. Dropping the stick, she/he then hops over the nine remaining sticks, picks up the ninth stick, again hopping back over the remaining sticks
6. This continues until all of the sticks have been picked up
7. A player is disqualified if they touch both feet to the ground or if they touch a stick with their foot
8. The winner is the player, or the team with the most players, finishing without mistakes
9. Once all the points are added you can award some small Chinese related prizes and decide if they want to play another round.

PLEASE NOTE: The above instructions may be a bit too hard for the Beavers and Cubs. If you feel it is then follow this variation...

To make it easier get each team to run this as a relay...

1. The first player hops over ten sticks, returning with the tenth. The second player hops over nine, returning with the ninth stick and the third hops over eight and so on.

OR

1. You can allow them to change the leg they are hopping on as they try to complete the first set of instructions

Game No. 5 – “The Moon Cake Game”

Suitable for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts

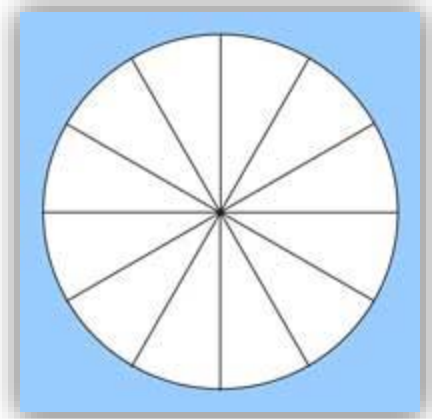
This is a traditional Chinese game that kids play in the playground. This can be played in your meeting place or outside.

Materials Needed

- You need a scoring board or large piece of paper

Preparation

1. Draw a large circle or make one with rope on your floor (the radius should be at least four large child steps)
2. Divide the circle into segments of about 8-12



How to Play

1. Split your group into teams of 6 (you need at least 2 teams – if your group is less than 12 then just make the teams smaller)
2. Choose one leader or helpers to keep the scores for each team
3. One child from each team has to stand in the centre of the circle blind folded with their necker
4. Turn that child round 3 times and let them take 4 steps in any direction
5. Take off the blindfold and write down the number of the segment they have landed on
6. Now repeat this for the remaining 5 children
7. The winning team is the one that has the most points for the entire team

Game No. 6 – “The Fortune Cookie Game”[©]

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers

Materials Needed

Please note that the amount of treats needed for this game depends on how many children are in your group and what your budget is. You can ask some local shops or restaurants if they want to donate some prizes for this. Often they quite like to help.

- Bowl with sweets in it
- Small oranges
- Small toys
- 3 x bigger prizes (you choose)
- 3 x A4 sheets of white Paper
- Paper cupcake baking liner (cases) (preferably 3 different colours but not essential). The number depends on your budget and how many children you have. For example, if you have 36 and you want them to have 3 cookies then you need 108 cases.
- Markers
- Craft glue or tiny pieces of tape



Preparation

1. Using your cupcake liners make different batches of fortune cookies in different colours. The reason for this is that it will make sure that each child will get one cookie of each type if not just use different bowls/boxes to put them and each child can choose from each bowl
2. Print out the fortune cookie messages on the following pages there´s at least 160 this may sound a lot of fortune cookies to make but if three leaders are doing this it will take no time at all (see the instructions below)
3. Fold them and put them inside the fortune cookies

How to Play

1. Each child picks a fortune cookie one of each type read what it says and if there is a direction they carry it out
2. Allow each child to pick 3 or 4 fortune cookies depending on your budget and how many children you have
3. Explain to the children that they just need to pull the end apart to get to message

Instructions on how to make fortune cookies

1. Take your cupcake liner and lay it flat
2. Place the message into the liner then gently fold it in half without creating a crease
3. Now take the ends fold them into each other and use a tiny piece of tape or glue to secure the inside part of the paper only
4. The child just pulls this apart to get to the message



TYPE 1 (BOWL 1) - Oranges Fortune

You are very lucky go and pick an orange from the bowl	You are very lucky go and pick an orange from the bowl	You are very lucky go and pick an orange from the bowl
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TYPE 2 (BOWL 2) - Random don't need materials

It's time to make friends go hug one	It's time to make friends go hug one	It's time to make friends go hug one
It's time to make friends go hug one	It's time to make friends go hug one	It's time to make friends go hug one
You will receive lots of happiness dance around the room for 30 seconds	You will receive lots of happiness dance around the room for 30 seconds	You will receive lots of happiness dance around the room for 30 seconds
You will receive lots of happiness dance around the room for 30 seconds	You will receive lots of happiness dance around the room for 30 seconds	You will receive lots of happiness dance around the room for 30 seconds
You will have lots of fun hop around the room for 30 seconds	You will have lots of fun hop around the room for 30 seconds	You will have lots of fun hop around the room for 30 seconds
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You are very grateful to your leaders go and tell them	You are very grateful to your leaders go and tell them	You are very grateful to your leaders go and tell them
You are very grateful to your leaders go and tell them	You are very grateful to your leaders go and tell them	You are very grateful to your leaders go and tell them
Listen to everyone. Ideas come from everywhere	Living with a commitment to excellence shall take you far	Eating Vegetables will make you strong
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Imagination is more important than knowledge	It's a grand thing, to be loved! And a grander thing still, to love!	Laughter translates into any language
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Let the world be filled with tranquillity and goodwill	Most of the stuff you will worry about will never happen	Never stand between a dog and the lamp post
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Now is the time to try something new do something that you haven't done before now	Now is the time to try something new do something that you haven't done before now	Now is the time to try something new do something that you haven't done before now
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One learns by failing	Treat your friends as you treat your most cherished relatives	You are talented in many ways
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You have a friendly heart	You will be fortunate in everything you put your hands to	Your dreams are never silly; depend on them to guide you
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A man without a smiling face must not open a shop	A stick's a stick whether short or tall, A man's a man whether great or small	A business that makes nothing but money is a poor business. - Henry Ford
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TYPE 3 (BOWL 3) - Toys Fortune or Big prizes

If a child receives a golden egg cookie have some larger surprises depending on your budget or what you could get donated.

You have been very lucky go and pick a small toy	You have been very lucky go and pick a small toy	You have been very lucky go and pick a small toy
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Game No. 7 – “Snakes & Horses[©]”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers

If you have a large group this game is best played outside or in a large hall.



Materials Needed

- Props for the obstacle courses.

Preparation

- I have given you some example below of what type of objects you can use in your obstacle course. You need to gather these and make the same one for each team. These don't have to be too difficult because the children will be carrying out the course linked together

How to Play

1. **Leader Speak** – Chinese New Year this year is the year of the Horse so we are going to play a game called Horses and Snakes
2. Split your group into teams of six or smaller if you have a small group
3. Each team lines up at the start of an obstacle course
4. On your word go each team has to make a train in the shape of a snake by holding onto each other's waists and complete the obstacle course
5. Depending on what your obstacle course is- will depend on how the children are linked. So for example if it's impossible to go through a part of the course by holding waists then you can allow them for that piece of apparatus to hold a different part of the body but the main thing is that they stay linked at all times
6. You need more than one leader keeping an eye on this depending on how large your group is
7. If at any point the children break the link and the snake breaks they turn into **Horses** and have to **gallop** once around the room like **Horses** until they reach their starting point. They can then start their obstacle course again
8. Each team that complete their obstacle course gains 6 points the entire group is given 5 minutes to complete their course as many time as they can without breaking their snake
9. The group with the most points wins
10. **NOTE:** If you are struggling with making more than one obstacle course then you can just count how many times each team completes the course in the allotted time one by one

Obstacle course examples...

Climb over boxes



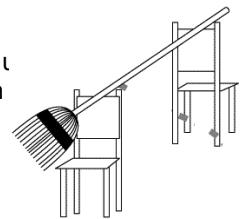
Jump or step in and out of tyres



Walk to the shape of a rope



Crawl under broom



Crawl under a table



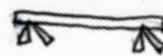
Step on and over a chair



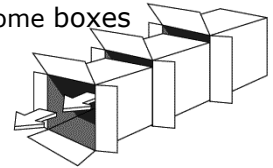
Jump or step over some water



Walk across a beam



Crawl through some boxes



Game No. 8 – “Fish, Shrimp Crab”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers

Most people associate **Chinese New Year** with spending time with family, visiting relatives and catching up with close friends. But every year, part of the fun occurs when these normal home gatherings get transformed into make-shift casinos!

Gambling during Chinese New Year isn't as much about winning or losing as it is a social activity. The stakes can be extremely low. Being part of the action allows you to joke around with your friends and have a group experience.



Materials Needed Per Team

- The board to play “Fish, Shrimp Crab” this can be found on the following page
- 3 x dice per team

Preparation for each team of Six

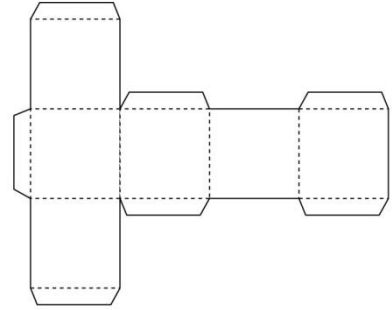
- Print out the board found on the following page – you need one board for each team
- Print out the dice template you need three for each team there are 8 dice one the page so you if need more than one copy if you have more than 6 children (see instructions on the following page on how to make the dice)
- Pretend coins or real coins at least 10 for each child plus the banker should have around 20

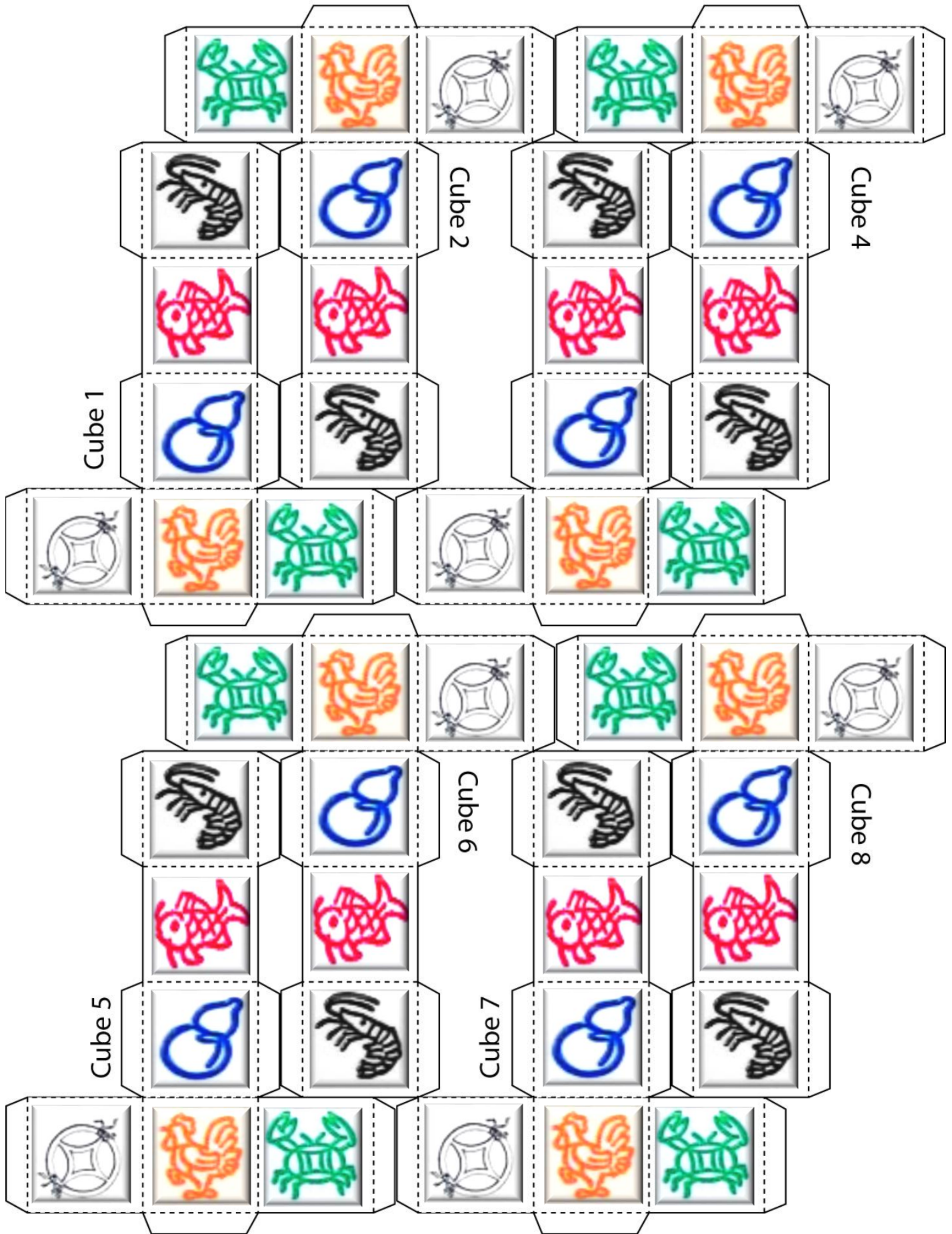
How to Play

1. **Leader Speak** – At Chinese New Year part of the fun occurs when friends and family play a game called “Fish, Shrimp Crab”. We are going to play this game now
2. Split your group into teams of 6 or smaller depending on the size of your group
3. Each team places a coin on a picture on the board
4. Choose a dealer/banker. The banker has a pot of coins to give out as winnings
5. The dealer throws the dice or shakes them in a bowl
6. If one of the dice is a shrimp, people who placed money on a shrimp will win the money that is on the shrimp. If two people are on the shrimp the dealer has to pay out equal amounts of money to each person on that space
7. If there were two shrimp dice rolled, the amount paid would be double, and so forth
8. The child with the most amount of money at the end of an allocated time is the winner. Keep the time short so that the dealer is a different child every time.

Instructions for making dice

1. The dice cannot be built using normal printing paper, as it will be too flimsy. Therefore you need to take your printed paper multiple cube template and tape onto the sheet of A4 card at each corner (as you start to cut away at the cubes you will need to apply some more tape to keep the template in place)
2. OR if you are able to put a thin card through your printer then that would be better
3. Cut each cube pattern carefully along the lines use this diagram to help you distinguish between each individual cube pattern
4. The white paper will now fall off because you only taped it at the corners - Now it's time to make the cubes...
5. Keep one of the cube paper templates in front of you so that you know where to fold the card. Make very strong fold/creases in the cube you can use your nails to get really strong creases
6. Once you've made a fold use your finger to press and rub across it again to make it sharper
7. Make strong creases in the flaps but open them out again because you need them straight so it's easier to tuck them in
8. Now apply a tiny bit of glue to the flaps and assemble the cubes using the folds (if you have been precise with your cutting and folding you may not need to use any glue and may find it easier to assemble without it. You can use a small amount of sticky tape on the outside to stick the edges in place if you need to







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Game No. 9 – “Catch the Dragon’s Tail”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub, Scouts and Explorers

I know this is an old one but I thought I would add it in case you’ve never played it before. It’s probably better to play this outside.



Materials Needed

- None

How to Play

1. All the children stand in a line behind each other with their hands on one another’s shoulders
2. The first person in line is the head of the dragon, and the last is the tail
3. The head tries to catch the tail by manoeuvring the line around so that she/he can tag the end player. The line must not break
4. All the other players do their best to keep the head from catching the dragon’s tail
5. When the head catches the tail, the end player moves up to become the new head, all other players move backward one position and the player who was in front as the head now becomes the tail

Note: If you have a large group it may be best to split it into more than one Dragon

Game No. 10 – “Find Your Horse”

Suitable for Beavers, Cub and Scouts

As it's the 'Year of the Horse', here's just a quick simple game where the children find their Horse that you hide. This game will depend on your budget. Horse shaped sweets are not as easy to find as other animals so you could just use an assortment of animal type sweets.

Materials Needed

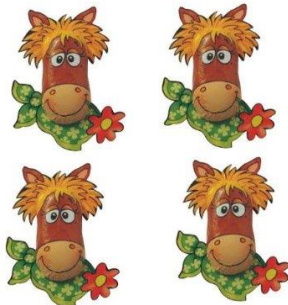
- Buy some candy or chocolate Horses, wrap them individually in some cling film and put a sticker with each child's name on it

How to Play

1. Hide the Horses around your meeting place
2. And on your word go tell everyone that there is a Horse hidden in the room with their name on it
3. If they find someone else's name they must not tell them and leave it where it is

Note: If you do have a larger budget then you can hide more than one each and don't bother putting names on them just send them off to find the amount of horses you tell them to.

Chocolate Horses on
Amazon.co.uk for 55p each
Or 49p www.partyparade.co.uk
but the delivery may be
cheaper on Amazon



Animal Bars for 24p each
www.sweetieworld.co.uk



Game No. 11 – “The Lucky Money Game”

Suitable for Beavers and Cubs

One Chinese New Year’s custom that children look forward to is receiving “lucky money” in small red envelopes.

Materials Needed

- Play money (ask the children if they have some play money at home that they can bring in to put in the envelopes they may have younger brothers or sisters that have some)
- Red envelopes (see instructions on how to make below)
- Red paper (the amount will depend on how many children in your group – you need at least one envelope for each child and there are two on each page)



Preparation

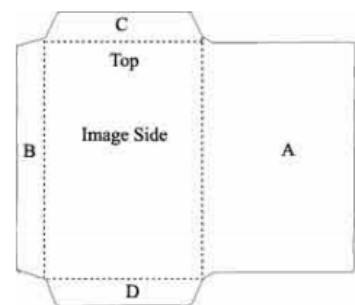
1. Print out the envelope template on red paper (found on the following page)
2. Make the envelopes and fill them with play money of different amounts. These are really easy to make and with 3 or so leaders it will take no time at all

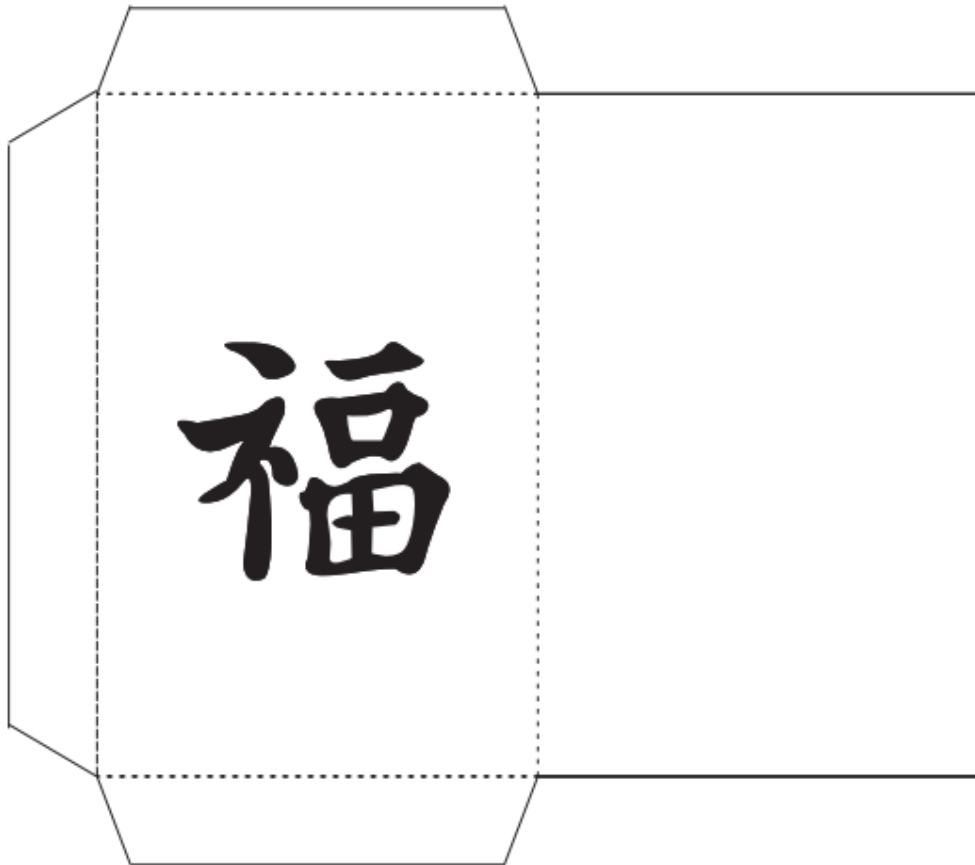
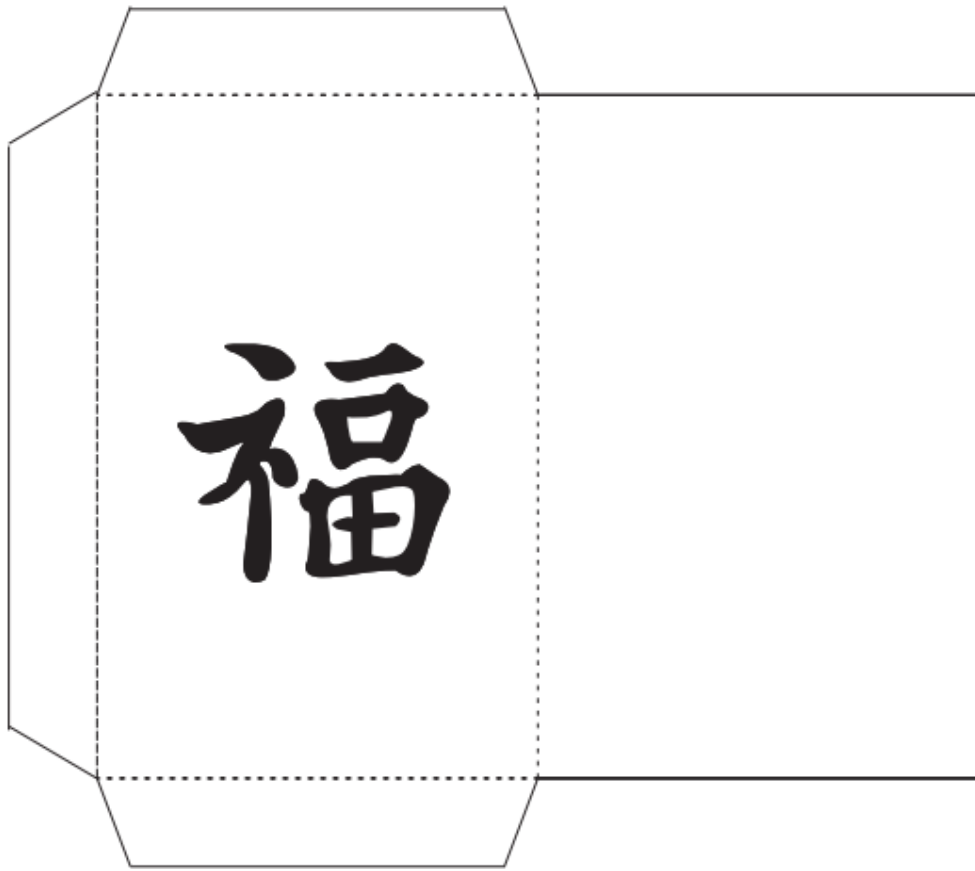
How to Play

1. Split your group into teams of 6 or 4 depending on the size
2. Hide the lucky envelopes around your room
3. Send the children off to find the allotted number of envelopes each that you decide
4. Once all children in each team have found their envelopes they get together and open them
5. They add up the total amount of the money in all their envelopes
6. The winning team is the team with the most money
7. Optional – Award each child with a sweet or chocolate

Instructions on How to Make Lucky Envelopes

1. Print and cut out the lucky envelope using the template on the following page
2. Fold over flap A and apply some glue along its right edge
3. Fold over flap B and press it firmly onto the glued edge of flap A. Apply a little glue to flap D and press it firmly onto flap B & A
4. You now have your Chinese red envelope! Flap C is the top and this is where you should place the money and then seal it after





Game No. 12 – “Chinese New Year” Win, Lose or Draw[©]

Suitable for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers

Please note: The questions are a mixture of levels you need to filter out questions that you think are too hard for your age group. If you decide to include the difficult questions for Beavers you could just give them lots of clues.

Preparation

1. Print & cut the Win, Lose, Draw Cards found on the following pages
2. Mix them up
3. Ideally it would be good to have a flip chart so that you can write down the scores as it will add to the excitement if the children can see the scores or you can just stick a big sheet of paper on the wall.


Snakes	Dragons
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Example of scoring on your flip chart

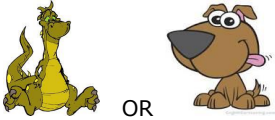




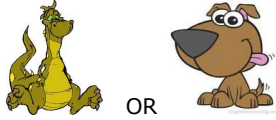
Get each team to give themselves a name



Directions

1. Split your group into two teams and get them to give you a name
2. The leader gives the first child in the first group a card he stands up and faces the other team and reads out the question to the first person in that team
 - ❖ **Please NOTE:** If you are a Beaver or Cub leader you read out the questions so that you can make it easier for the children to answer if they are finding it difficult.
3. If that person answers it correctly that team will gain 2 points
4. If he/she cannot answer it then it can be opened to their entire team – In which case they will earn 1 point
5. If they still can't answer then the other team gets a chance to answer for ½ a point
6. Now the leader gives the first child in the second team a card
7. When you get back to the first group you give the card to the second child and so on...
8. The team with the most points at the end wins.

<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What is 'Chinese New Year' also known as?</p> <p>a) Spring Festival b) Start of the Year c) Winter Festival</p> <p>ANS: The Spring Festival</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is 'Chinese New Year' the most important celebration in the Chinese calendar?</p> <p>a) Yes b) No</p> <p>ANS: a)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What does 'Chinese New Year' celebrate?</p> <p>a) Start of new life b) The season of ploughing and sowing c) The end of a year</p> <p>ANS: a and b</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is it true or false that 'Chinese New Year' starts on the first day of the lunar month?</p> <p>a) True b) False</p> <p>ANS: a)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is it true or false that 'Chinese New Year' finishes when the moon is brightest?</p> <p>a) True b) False</p> <p>ANS: a)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>How do the Chinese celebrate the last day of their festival?</p> <p>a) With tall bonfires b) With coloured powder c) With lanterns</p> <p>ANS: c) Lanterns</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is it true or false that before 'Chinese New Year' starts people spring clean their houses to sweep away any bad luck?</p> <p>a) True b) False</p> <p>ANS: a)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What do people decorate their houses with for 'Chinese New Year'?</p> <p>a) Tinsel b) Paper Scrolls c) Money trees</p> <p>ANS: b) Scrolls with good luck phrases such as 'Happiness' and 'Wealth'</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>At 'Chinese New Year' why do people wear new red clothing?</p> <p>a) Red symbolises fire which scare away evil spirits b) It's a bright colour c) It look pretty in their parades</p> <p>ANS: a)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>On New Year's Day children wake up to find a red envelope filled with what?</p> <p>a) Tiny Toys b) Money and Sweets c) A scroll with a lovely message</p> <p>ANS: b) Money & Sweets</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>On the last day of the festival what do people hang at their windows?</p> <p>a) Glowing lanterns b) Paper dragons c) Scrolls</p> <p>ANS: a) Glowing lanterns</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>In the 'Chinese New Year' festival a dragon dance often takes place what is the dragon usually made of?</p> <p>a) Paper b) Silk c) Bamboo</p> <p>ANS: a, b, and c</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Do the Chinese follow the same calendar as the UK?</p> <p>a) Yes b) No</p> <p>ANS: b) No. The Chinese follow their own calendar, based on the moon.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>The first day of 'Chinese New Year' is always between what dates?</p> <p>a) Jan 21st & Feb 21st b) Feb 13th & Mar 13th c) Jan 1st & Feb 1st</p> <p>ANS: a) Jan 21st & Feb 21st</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What is the Chinese Zodiac?</p>  <p>ANS: The Chinese Zodiac has 12 animal signs.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">新</p>

<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>How many animals does the Chinese Zodiac have?</p> <p>a) 16 b) 6 c) 12</p> <p>ANS: c) 12</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is it true that people take on the characteristics of the animal of the year they were born?</p> <p>a) Yes b) No</p> <p>ANS: a) Yes</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>‘Chinese New Year’ is often referred to as what?</p> <p>a) Festival of the dragon b) Lunar New Year c) New Moon</p> <p>ANS: Lunar New Year</p> <p>新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>On the first day of ‘Chinese New Year’ is a time to honour and visit who?</p> <p>a) Their Church b) The oldest and most senior members of their extended families c) Their children</p> <p>ANS: b)</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is it True or False that on the first day of the ‘Chinese New Year’ many people, abstain from eating meat because it is believed that this will ensure longevity for them?</p> <p>a) True b) False</p> <p>ANS: Yes</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>On the first day of ‘Chinese New Year’ is it considered bad luck to use a broom?</p> <p>a) Yes b) No</p> <p>ANS: Yes</p> <p>新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>During ‘Chinese New Year’ gifts are exchanged between friends and relatives what type of gifts are they?</p> <p>a) Oranges b) Cakes, biscuits, chocolates and candies c) Some other small gift</p> <p>ANS: All of the above</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What animals are used in dances for ‘Chinese New Year’?</p> <p>a) Dragons b) Lions c) Pigs</p> <p>ANS: a) and b)</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What animal represents ‘Chinese New Year’ 2013?</p> <p>a) The Fish b) The Snake c) The Cow</p> <p>ANS: b) The Snake</p> <p>新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Name 3 signs of the Chinese Zodiac?</p> <p>ANS: Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, Pig</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Draw a sign of the Zodiac beginning with the letter R that hasn’t been drawn before</p> <p></p> <p>ANS: Rat, Rooster, Rabbit</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Draw a sign of the Zodiac beginning with the letter O</p> <p></p> <p>ANS: Ox</p> <p>新</p>
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<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Draw a sign of the Zodiac beginning with the letter G</p>  <p>ANS: Goat</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Draw a sign of the Zodiac beginning with the letter M</p>  <p>ANS: Monkey</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Draw a sign of the Zodiac beginning with the letter D that hasn't been drawn before</p>  <p>OR</p> <p>ANS: Dragon, Dog</p> <p>新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What's a popular food that is eaten at Chinese New Year?</p> <p>a) Deer b) Dumplings c) Cake</p> <p>ANS: Dumplings</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Is it true or false that when dumplings are cooked they are shaped like gold and silver bars in the hope that they will bring good luck and good fortune.</p> <p>a) True b) False</p> <p>ANS: True</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>At New Year after dinner what's a popular game that families play?</p> <p>a) Chinese Chess b) Monopoly c) Snakes and Ladders</p> <p>ANS: Chinese Chess</p> <p>新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>At 'Chinese New Year' children receive lucky red packets containing sweets or money what do you think they are called?</p> <p>a) King Kong b) Hong Bao c) Fen Sui</p> <p>ANS: Hong Bao</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>How many days does the 'Chinese New Year' festival last for</p> <p>a) 3 b) 7 c) 15</p> <p>ANS: c) 15</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What type of dance is performed on 'Chinese New Year'?</p> <p>a) River Dance b) Snake Dance c) Lion Dance</p> <p>ANS: c) Lion Dance</p> <p>新</p>
<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What fruit, representing luck and prosperity, is traditionally the most popular to hand out for the 'Chinese New Year'?</p> <p>a) Star Fruit b) Tangerines c) Grapes</p> <p>ANS: b) Tangerines</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>Which of these animals is not one of the twelve in the Chinese calendar?</p> <p>a) Pig b) Cat c) Dog</p> <p>ANS: b) Cat</p> <p>新</p>	<p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>What colour should you wear for Chinese New Years Eve celebrations?</p> <p>a) White b) Black c) Red</p> <p>ANS: c) Red</p> <p>新</p>

<p>Before 'Chinese New Year' starts what do people do in their houses?</p> <p>a) Put the furniture around the edges of the room b) Spring clean their house c) Decorate their house</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b)</p> <p>新</p>	<p>What colour do people wear at 'Chinese New Year'?</p> <p>a) Yellow b) Green c) Red</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: c) Red</p> <p>新</p>	<p>On New Year Day what do the children receive?</p> <p>a) A red envelope b) A teddy c) An Xbox</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: a) Red envelope</p> <p>新</p>
<p>How many signs does the Chinese Zodiac have?</p> <p>a) 16 b) 10 c) 12</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: c) 12</p> <p>新</p>	<p>On the first day of 'Chinese New Year' what is considered bad luck</p> <p>a) To smoke b) To use a broom c) To display lanterns</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b) To use a broom</p> <p>新</p>	<p>At 'Chinese New Year' why are dumplings shaped like gold and silver bars</p> <p>a) Because they look neat on the table b) In hope that they will bring good luck and good fortune c) It's for good your health</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b)</p> <p>新</p>
<p>How many years apart are the years of the zodiac animals? For example, when it is the year of the snake, how many years ago was the last year of the snake?</p> <p>a) 10 b) 6 c) 12</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: c) 12</p> <p>新</p>	<p>Food is also very important to 'Chinese New Year'. If you find this in your dumpling, you will be lucky all year. What is it?</p> <p>a) Currant b) Coin c) Key</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b) Coin</p> <p>新</p>	<p>'Chinese New Year' ends with what type of festival?</p> <p>a) Dragon festival b) Lantern festival c) Lion festival</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b) Lantern</p> <p>新</p>
<p>What does "Gung hei fat choi!" mean</p> <p>a) Good Day b) Happy New Year! c) Good Health</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b)</p> <p>新</p>	<p>Name a fruit that is typically given on 'Chinese New Year'</p>  <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: Tangerines</p> <p>新</p>	<p>Which of these animals is not one of the twelve in the Chinese calendar?</p> <p>a) Zebra b) Horse c) Goat</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: a) Zebra</p> <p>新</p>
<p>Draw a sign of the Zodiac beginning with the letter P</p>  <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: Pig</p> <p>新</p>	<p>Which of these animals is not one of the twelve in the Chinese calendar?</p> <p>a) Rabbit b) Hippopotamus c) Snake</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: b) Hippopotamus</p> <p>新</p>	<p>Which of these animals is not one of the twelve in the Chinese calendar?</p> <p>a) Dragon b) Rat c) Elephant</p> <p>© scoutingbadgeshelp.com</p> <p>ANS: c) Elephant</p> <p>新</p>