

CREATE YOUR OWN FUN ACCORDION ANIMAL





What you will need:

- 1 piece of paper
- Glue and/or Blue tack
- 2 popsicle sticks
- 1 animal front and back cutout sheet (You can print this off our website or make your own!)











To start with, grab your animal front and back cut out sheet and a pair of scissors.



Carefully cut out the front and back side of your animal. If you are using your own design, make sure the front and back are roughly the same width.

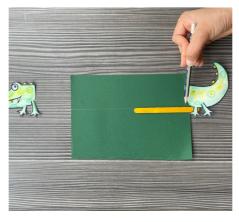


Here is a finished example. If you are struggling to cut out smaller details, ask an adult for help.





Take a piece of plain or coloured paper and place the one cut out on each side of it as shown above. Then take a pencil and mark the top and bottom on either side.



Now connect the marks on both sides with a ruler to find out the width of your strip. You can choose to make it as long or short as you like!



Once that is done, you should have two lines on your page as shown above.







Cut along both lines that you created. Don't worry about making it perfect.



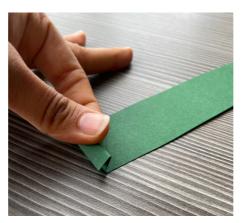
Once you are done you should end up with a strip. You can put the rest of the paper aside and save it for other crafts!



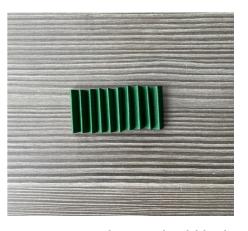
Now fold a small piece of your strip as shown above.



Here is an example of what it should look like folded.

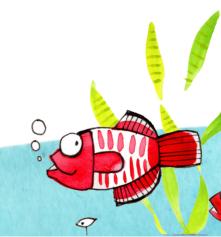


Now flip the paper around and do the same. Keep making these folds back and forth in roughly the same size.



Once you are done, it should look something like an accordion as shown above.









Take one end of the accordion shape and spread some glue on it generously (otherwise it won't stick).



Now take one of your cut outs and press it firmly on top. I have chosen to start with the back. Make sure to allow it a good amount of time to dry before playing with it.

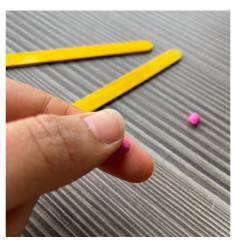


Do the same thing to the other side!





After that, It's time to bring out your popsicle sticks and Blue tack again.



Take a small piece of your Blue tack and roll it into small balls like shown above.



Press one ball onto the back of each popsicle stick, to make sure it spreads and sticks properly!









Here is an example of the glue tack on both popsicle sticks.

Make sure to keep it facing upwards so that it doesn't stick to the surrounding surfaces!



Now stick both popsicle sticks to each end of the accordion with the blue tack.



Once you are done, it should look something this from the back. Flip it around and you are done!

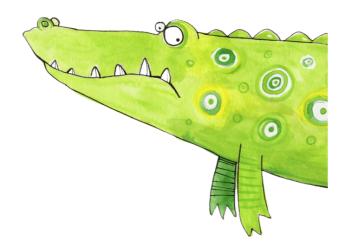


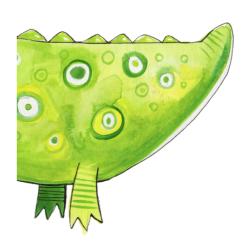


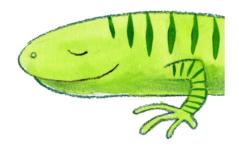


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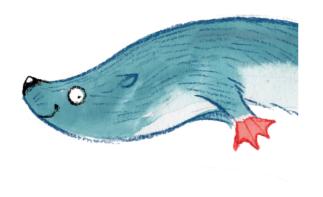
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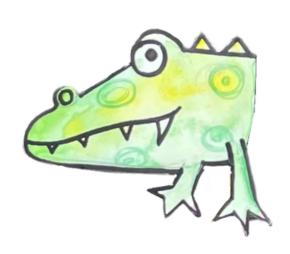


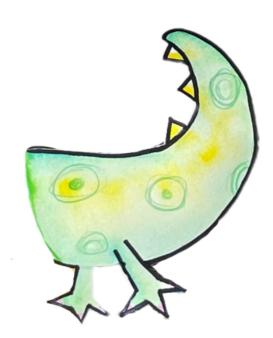
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