

THE BRIGHTEN-SOMEONE'S-DAY CRAFT

Instruction Card

Aim: To foster a joyful, meaningful, engaging, iterative and socially interactive game or activity that can be identified as being highly educational for children.

If you've read the article called **"The Amazing Possibilities of Play"** on the **NESTLÉ® NANKID® 4** Brand Corner, you will know that researchers say that a children's game or activity can be identified as being highly educational when it is

1. Joyful
2. Meaningful
3. Actively engaging
4. Iterative
5. Socially interactive.

What you will need:

- Printed designs that can be downloaded at the end of this post.
- A pair of scissors, a stapler, a glue stick and crayons.
- An edible treat in a sealed bag, e.g. a packet of chips or dried fruit.
- Extra sheets of paper to use for creating a paper bag.

To do the craft:

- **Print your templates.** (Note that you will need a printed face and two hands for every gift bag.)
- **Colour the picture of the face, decorate the hat and a pair of hands and cut it out.** (Note that the face is cut out along the rectangular frame, whilst the hands are cut out along the outlines of the fingers.)
- **Fold the rectangular piece of paper in half horizontally and fold the corners along the dotted lines, as indicated.**
- **Glue a hand up onto the bottom triangle of each corner so that they fold into the card when closed and pop out to offer a hug when the card is opened.** (Note that the thumbs should be pointing upwards.)
- **Use a stapler to create a gift bag out of two A4 sheets of paper.**
- **Fold the gift bag in half horizontally, stick the pop-up card onto the front of the bag, into the fold.**
- **Decorate your gift bag and insert an edible treat.**
- Involve your child in deciding which message you should write in the message box.
- Keep your treats in the car and hand them out whenever an opportunity arises.

Tips:

- **Intentionally engage your child at every possible step along the way.**
- **To encourage iteration, repeat the activity from time to time and discuss how you can do things differently.** Your child could, for example, simplify things by decorating the gift bag before stapling the two sheets of paper together to create it.
- **You may also want to experiment with other ways of packaging your gifts.** As an example, consider attaching the pop-up cards to store bought gift bags, shoe boxes or large envelopes.
- **Another way to iterate the activity would be to experiment with different messages.**

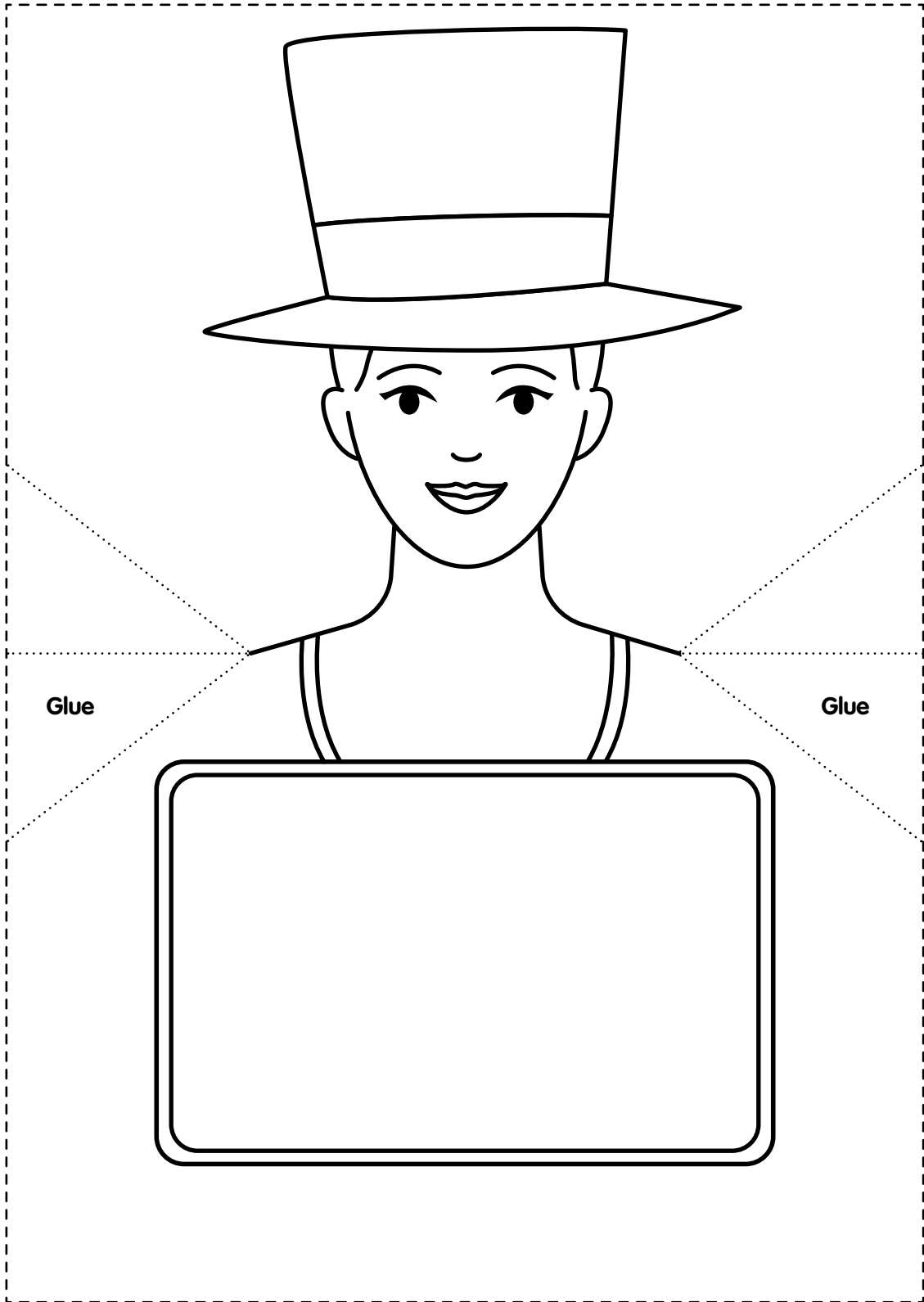
Note:

This activity has the potential to be meaningful, socially interactive, joyful, engaging and iterative, but this doesn't mean that your child will be experiencing all of these things all the time.

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Person template cutout

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Hand template cutout

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