



## TAILS AND TALES PICNIC

You're invited to a special picnic! Grab your blankets, snacks, and a favorite story and get ready to host your own party with a woodland inspired crown! We'll give you ideas of woodland creatures you can become, show you how to create a nature crown, and even help you make your own mini-picnic basket. Need some extra fun? We've got a special memory game just for you. To top it off, make sure to share your favorite story...featuring a woodland creature of course!

### Materials

- Paper bags
- Scissors
- Hot glue, liquid glue, tape, or stapler
- Crayons, color pencils, or markers
- Leaves, flowers, other found natural objects
- Thin cardboard (eg. Cereal box)
- Ruler

### Instructions: *Animal Headbands or Masks*



1. Cut a paper bag into strips as thick as you would like your headband.
2. Find some leaves to act as ears and glue those on. Use those leaves to guide your imagination! Think about their shape and the shapes of animals' ears.
3. Draw animal faces on the paper bag to go along with your leaf ears.
4. If the headband is too big for your head, use tape, glue, or a stapler to secure the extra parts of the paper bag until the headband fits.





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## Instructions: *Nature Crown*



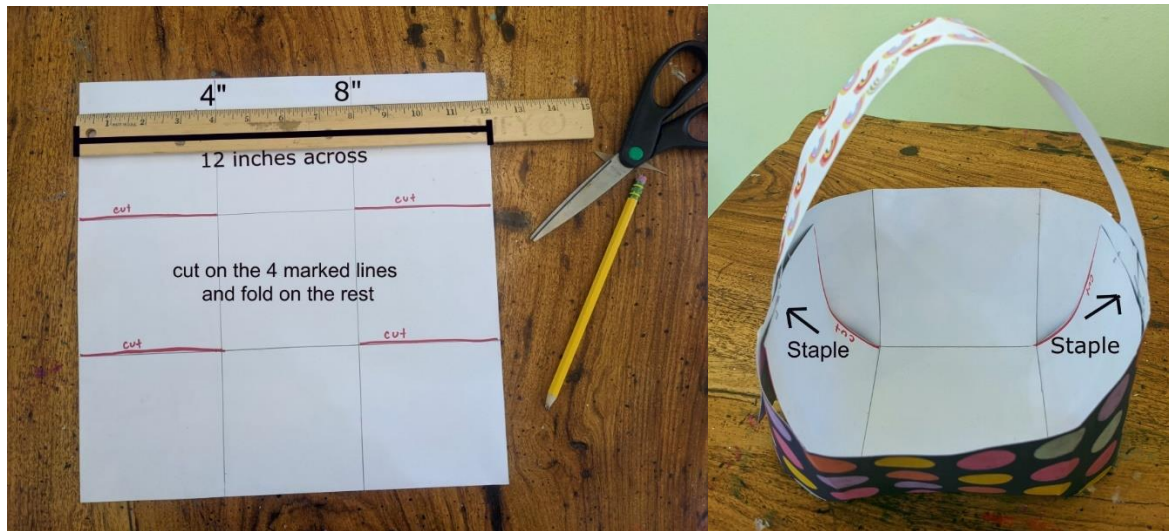
1. Gather leaves, grass, moss, berries, twigs, acorns and other natural items
2. Cut a paper bag into strips as thick as you would like your headband.
3. Hot glue or staple on your items.
4. If the headband is too big for your head, use tape, glue, or a stapler to secure the extra parts of the paper bag until the headband fits.
5. Make matching nature bracelets by watching this video: [vimeo.com/422781838](https://vimeo.com/422781838)





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## Instructions: *Picnic Basket*



1. Take a piece of paper and cut it into a square. A paper bag can be used to make a large square if you don't have any large paper.
2. The image above is a 12x12 paper, but any size square will work if it is divisible by 3 (so 12 and 9 inches will make the math the easiest). Use a ruler!
3. Draw your lines (see the above picture).
4. Fold along the lines and then open up your folded paper to see the whole square shape.
5. Cut along the lines marked in the picture above.
6. To form the basket, pull two neighboring corners together and staple or tape them in the middle. Do the same to the other side.
7. Cut a piece of paper and save it for the basket handle.
8. Staple on your handle.
9. Fill your basket with acorns\* or other yummy treats to enjoy! (\*woodland creatures simply *adore* acorns).





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## Instructions: *Memory Game*

### Printer Option

1. Print out the memory game file.
2. Glue each page to the colorful side of a cereal box or other thin box leaving the plain cardboard visible on the back.
3. Cut out the squares along the lines.

### No Printer Option

1. Pick up a Summer Learning Packet from the library *OR* fold a piece of paper in half four times until it is a small rectangle.
2. Unfold it. You should have 16 rectangles total.
3. Draw your favorite picnic items. Make sure to draw each item twice so you can match them later!
4. Glue the paper to the colorful side of a cereal box or other thin box leaving the plain cardboard visible on the back.
5. Cut out the rectangles along your folded lines.
6. If you want more picnic designs, fold a second piece of paper and repeat steps 2-5.

## Booklist:

Get inspired by reading these books and more: [tinyurl.com/APLPicnic](http://tinyurl.com/APLPicnic)

