

God Makes Noah Happy

Lesson Objectives

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Lesson Text

Genesis 6-9:17

Scripture Memory Verse

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Genesis 6:22

Lesson Plan

Greeting and Registration

Preclass Activity: Ark Animals

Welcome and Singing

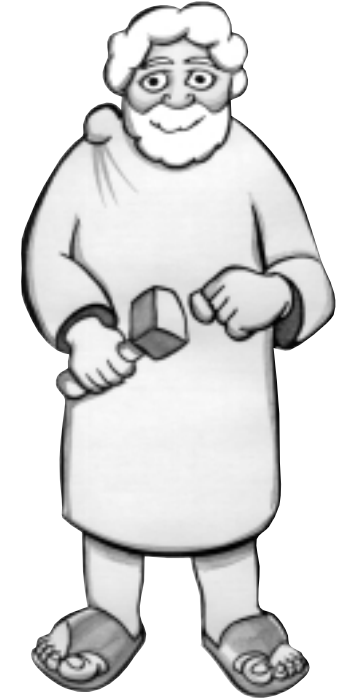
Centers:

Bible Story: God's Promise

Life Application: The Promise
Rainbow

Craft: Animal Masks

NOTE: Be sure to allow sufficient time for a snack.





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Ark Animals

The children will begin working on masks in this Preclass Activity and will finish this project in the Craft center. These masks will remind the children of the story of Noah and the Ark.

Materials

For each child:

- 1 large paper grocery bag
- crayons or markers

For the teacher:

- scissors

Preparation

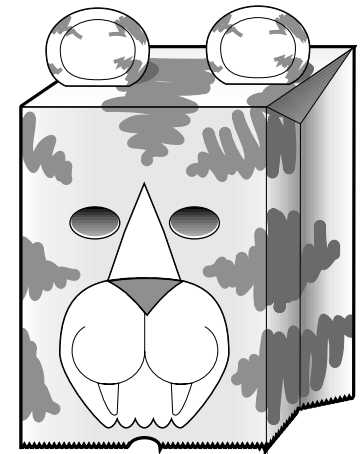
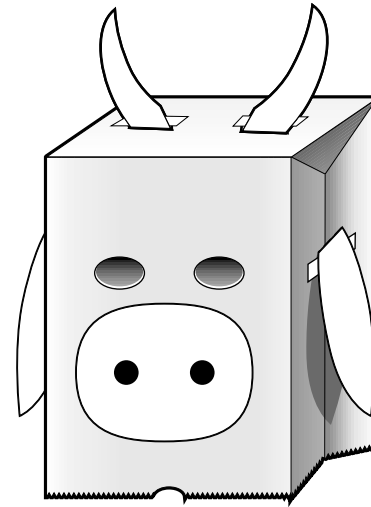
Prepare a sample mask following the instructions section.

Instructions

1. Show the children the sample mask. *You remember Noah, don't you? We talked last week about how Noah made God happy. Do you remember what Noah did that made God so happy? (He obeyed God by building the ark.)*
2. Start the children's masks as follows:
 - A. Have each child choose one of the following animals they would like to make: a tiger, elephant, sheep or a cow.
 - B. Have the children each put on a paper bag. Approximate where their eyes are, then draw the animal's eye shapes on the bags with a marker. Have the children take off the bags.
 - C. Cut out the eye holes from the bags.
 - D. Have the children try on the masks to be sure they can see clearly through the eye holes.
3. Have the children write their names on the bags near the bottom. Some children may need help writing their names.
4. Have the children color or draw features on their masks: eyelashes, stripes, whiskers, etc., whatever they want to draw.
5. Explain to them that during the Craft center they will finish their masks.

Teacher Tips

You should do the cutting, but let children who want to help you.



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God's Promise

This story will help the children to see that God makes and keeps his promises.

Lesson Text

Genesis 6-9:16

Materials

For the teacher:

- masking tape
- masks from the Preclass Activity

Preparation

1. Collect the masks that the children started during the Preclass Activity.
2. Tape an area on the floor to be the boundary of an imaginary ark.

The Promise

I am so excited about the story today! It's all about a promise! Who can tell me what a promise is? Yes, it is when someone tells you they are going to do something, and they really do it. Did anyone ever make a promise to you? Take their responses. What kind of promises did they make? Take their responses.

Promises are exciting because we can look forward to something. If your Mom tells you she's going to take you for an ice cream if you pick up your toys, it's not so hard to pick them up is it? Today we're going to talk about a promise that is from God! It is a promise God made to Noah and to you and me as well.

You remember Noah, don't you? We talked last week about how Noah made God happy. Do you remember what Noah did that made God happy? That's right. Noah obeyed God by building the ark. It was just the right size with one window and one door, and he used the wood God told him to use. If Noah had built the ark just as God said, but he put two windows in the ark, would God have been happy with Noah? No, God is happy when we listen to

all the directions he gives us, and we follow them completely. You can use other similar examples to stress complete obedience.

When we read in the Bible about Noah last week, where did we last find Noah and his family? That's right, they were in the ark. Give the children their masks and have them put on their masks and join you in the imaginary ark. After all the animals went in the ark the doors were closed. Now listen while I read from the book of Genesis about what happened next. Read Genesis 7:17-20. What happened after God closed the door of the ark? The rain came down for forty days and the ark started to float. Yes, it floated over the fields, over the roads, over the houses and finally the water was soooooo deep it covered the mountains. Wow!

After forty days, it stopped raining and Noah and his family stayed in the ark and waited for the water to dry. Noah sent out a bird called a dove. When the dove came back with a little tree branch in its beak, Noah knew the water had dried. Noah waited for God to let him know it was safe to get off the ark.

Listen to what God told Noah. Read Genesis 8:15-17. What did God say? He said, "Noah you may come out of that ark and bring everybody with you!" They had been in the ark a long time! I think they were glad to walk on the ground again, don't you?

Noah was very thankful because God had saved his family from drowning in the water. Noah was very glad he had obeyed God. The Bible says that the first thing Noah did when he got off the ark was to bow down and thank God for taking care of him.

Then God said, "Noah, I will never, ever cause waters to flood and destroy the entire earth again. That is a promise I am going to make and I will put a beautiful rainbow up in the sky to remind you that I will keep my promise to you always" (Genesis 9:8-16). We know God promised us that he would never destroy the earth with water again. Every time we see a rainbow we can remember God's promise to Noah. Does God always keep his promises? Yes!

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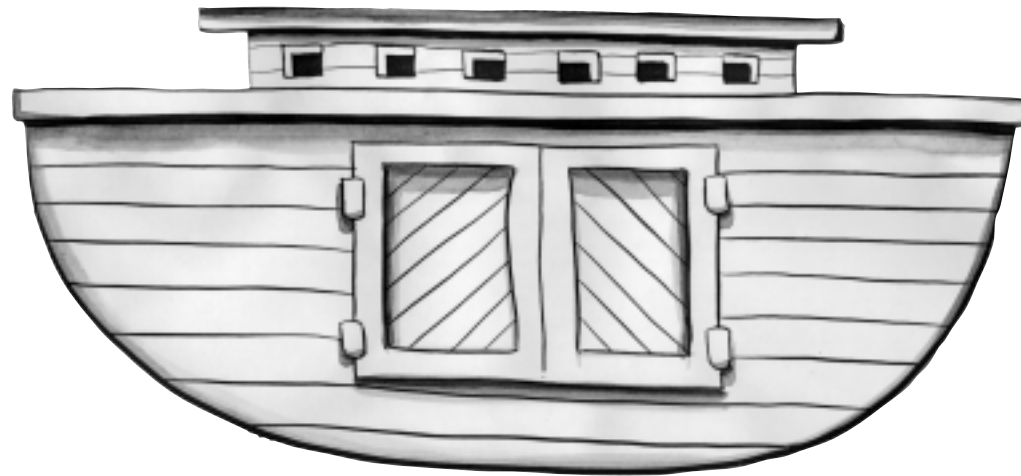
Conclusion

Ask the children the following questions for review and discussion:

- How did God protect Noah and his family? (the ark)
- What can we think of every time we see a rainbow? (God loves us and keeps his promises.)
- Have you ever seen a rainbow?
- Why did Noah and the animals go into the ark? (God said it was going to rain.)
- What is a flood? (Water covers the land.)
- What was left on the earth after the flood? (the ark and the land)
- How long did it rain? (forty days)
- What did Noah and his family do after it stopped raining? (They stayed in the boat.)
- How did Noah know that the land had dried? (He sent out a dove that came back with a little tree branch.)
- What did God send us to remind us of his promise? (the rainbow)
- What did God promise? (that he would never destroy the earth with water again)

Teacher Tips

Bring in any pictures that you have of rainbows and show them to the children during the discussion.



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The Promise Rainbow

The children will learn some of God's promises and will associate them with rainbows.

Scripture Memory Verse

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Genesis 6:22

Materials

For the teacher:

- 1 large white piece of paper
- crayons or markers (colors of the rainbow: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo (blue-violet) and violet (purple))
- colored construction paper
- scissors
- glue stick
- magazines

Preparation

1. Find and cut out at least four pictures illustrating God's kept promises (food, clothing, homes, and friends).
2. Mount the pictures on the colored construction paper.

Instructions

1. Draw an arc of each color in the following order: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo (blue-violet), and violet (purple). Have the children name the colors as you draw.
2. As you are drawing ask, *What do you think I am drawing? That's right, a rainbow! God sent the rainbow to remind Noah that he would never again send a flood to destroy the earth. Does God promise us that he will take care of us if we obey him? Yes. What promises does God keep every day?*
3. Hold up the various pictures that illustrate God's kept promises.

4. Give each picture to a child and have the child glue it to the rainbow. Encourage the child to match the main color of the picture to the color of the rainbow.
5. Explain that God's promise is still valid today. Say: *Let's remember that God's promise is for us today. Every time we see a rainbow, we should remember that God promised Noah and promised us that he would never again destroy the whole earth with a flood. God always keeps his promises. How can we be like Noah and his family? Should we build an ark? No! What does God want us to do to show how much we love him? (Obey the first time, be joyful, be kind, share with others, be friendly, be loving, and help the poor.) Let's write some of these things on the rainbow.*
6. Write their responses on the rainbow.

Scripture Memory Activity

1. Write the memory verse on the drawing of the rainbow. Cut the rainbow into puzzle pieces. Cut the puzzle so that the pieces are easy to assemble. You want this activity to be simple. The emphasis should be on the memory scripture.
2. Give the children each a piece of the puzzle. Have them say the verse, and then join their pieces to the puzzle.

Conclusion

Choose a child to pray and thank God for keeping his promises.

God has promised us that he will always take care of us. Our friends need to know that God loves them and is taking care of them. Who do you know that you can share this with?

Teacher Tips

Be sure to let the children express their ideas. Listen to them and use their ideas to reinforce the lesson theme.



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Animal Masks

The child will finish the masks that they began during the Preclass Activity.

Materials

For each child:

- construction paper
- crayons
- markers
- decorative items for each animal: cotton balls for sheep, yarn for the cow tail, faux fur for tiger, etc.
- glue stick
- tape
- paper bag masks from the Preclass Activity
- large envelopes, bags or folders

For the teacher:

- pen
- scissors

Reproducible Pages:

- Page A, 1 copy for the teacher
- Page B, 1 copy for the teacher
- Page C, 1 copy for the teacher
- Page D, 1 copy for the teacher
- Page E, 1 copy for the teacher

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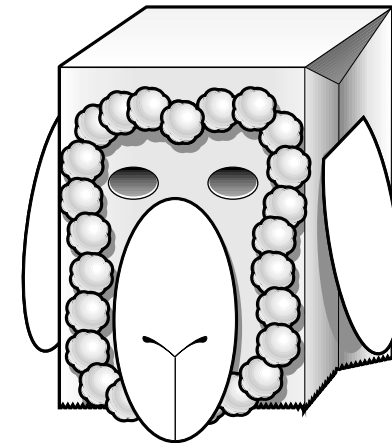
1. Cut out all the stencils of the animal parts from the copies of the Reproducible Pages.
2. Clearly trace the stencils of the parts onto construction paper and cut them out. Refer to the finished craft diagram for quantities.
3. Assemble a material kit for each type of animal. For example, place all the materials for a sheep: cotton balls, snout and ears, into a large envelope and mark it "sheep kit."
4. Create a mask as a model for the children. Refer to the finished craft diagrams on the back of this card for further help.
5. Keep your model of the craft for Unit 2 Lesson 7.

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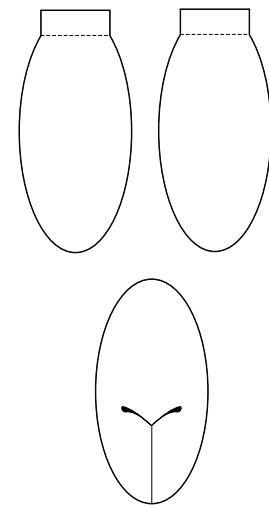
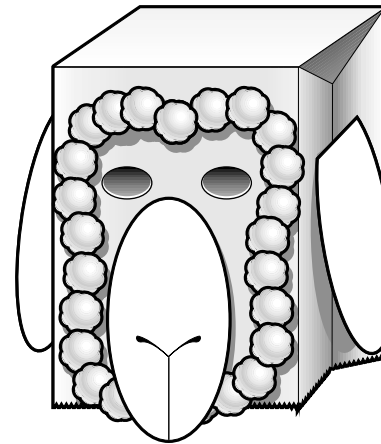
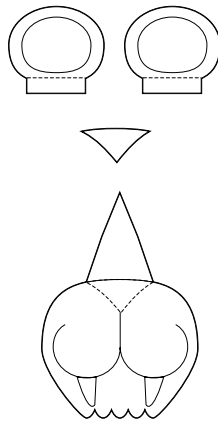
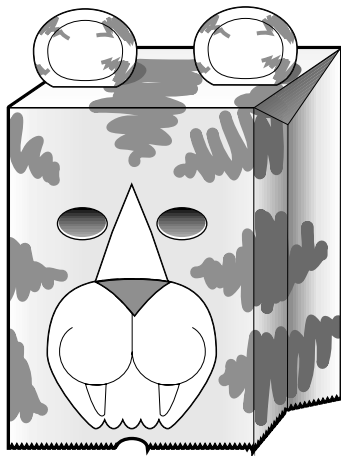
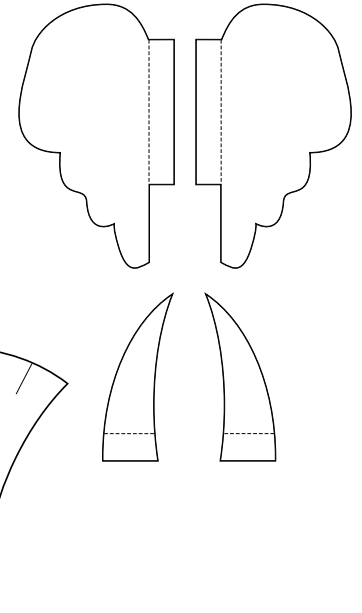
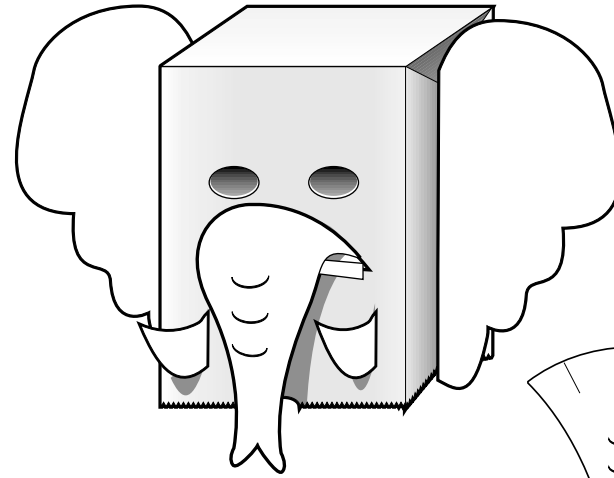
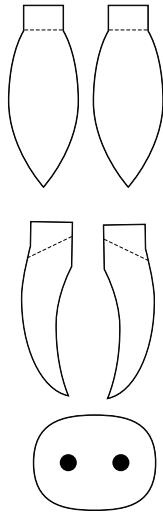
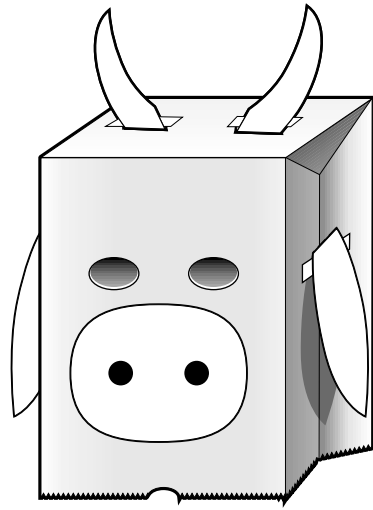
1. As the children come into the center, give them their masks from the preclass activity and the material kits for their animals.
2. Let the children fold and glue their animal parts to their masks.
3. Secure the animal parts to their paper bags with clear tape, if necessary.
4. Have the children glue on their decorative materials.
5. If the children would like, let them draw more whiskers, lashes, stripes, or spots on the animals.
6. Have the children try on their masks and practice imitating their animal's behavior and sounds.

Teacher Tips

- This is the child's creation, so let the child create. Don't worry if it doesn't look like an elephant to you; the most important thing is that it looks like an elephant to the child.
- Keep everything well organized during this craft.



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Obedience

Lesson 3

Lesson at a Glance supplement

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Welcome and Singing

Centers:

Game: Guess the Animal

Craft: Noah's Ark

Life Application: The Promise Rainbow

NOTE: Be sure to allow sufficient time for a snack.

4 and 5 Year Olds



Pre class



The Flying Rainbow

The children will create rainbows to help remind them of God's promise to Noah.

Materials

For each child:

- a new pencil (never sharpened)
- rainbow-colored crayons, or markers: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet
- glue stick
- tape

For the teacher:

- white paper, 8½" x 11"
- scissors
- marker

Preparation

1. Measure and mark the white paper into 8½" x 1" strips. Cut out six strips for each child.
2. Write the memory verse on one of the six strips.

Instructions

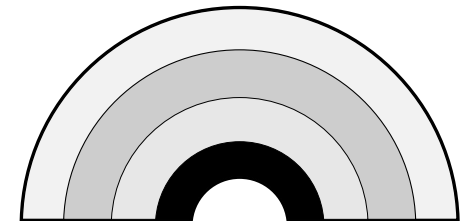
1. Explain to the children that they will be making a rainbow. Ask them: *What are the colors of the rainbow?* (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo or blue-violet and violet or purple)
2. Have the children color their strips of paper each a different color of the rainbow.
3. Tape the strips of paper to the pencil, starting at the eraser end. Tape only one end of the paper, so that the other end is loose.

Conclusion

Talk about God's promise to Noah. Discuss how beautiful God made the rainbow, and how God is "creative." God makes so many different and beautiful things for us to enjoy!

Teacher Tips

Some children may want to make each of their strips of paper multicolored instead of only one color; let them be creative.



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Guess the Animal

This game will remind the children of Noah and the ark of animals.

Materials

For the teacher:

- pictures of animals from magazines
- scissors
- construction paper
- glue
- hat or bag



Preparation

1. Cut out pictures of different animals from the magazines. Glue the pictures onto colorful pieces of construction paper to make a nicer presentation.
2. Place the pictures into the hat.



Instructions

1. Split the children into two teams. Pick a child to begin the game.
2. Have a child pick a picture from the hat without showing it to anyone else. The child may need your help in identifying the animal.
3. Have the child "act out" the animal using either sounds or actions, for example: walking, eating, jumping, etc.
4. Have the children on the child's team take turns guessing which animal it is until someone answers correctly.
5. Have the other team take a turn. Continue playing until all the children have a turn at imitating an animal.



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Noah's Ark

The children will create a toy ark to remind them of the how God saved Noah from the flood.

Materials

For each child:

- 1 paper plate, 9"
- 1 sheet of blue construction paper
- crayons
- glue

For the teacher

- poster board
- stapler
- marker
- scissors

Preparation

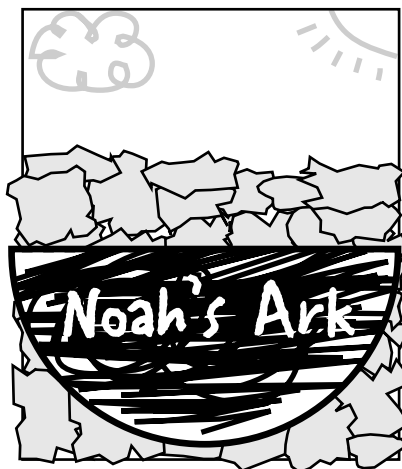
Cut the poster board into 8" x 11" pieces, one for each child.

Instructions

1. Ask the children to each tear their sheet of blue construction paper into small pieces, and then to glue the pieces to the bottom of the poster board to make an ocean, as shown in Figure A.
2. Ask the children to fold their paper plates in half and to color the outside of their plates brown. See Figure B.
3. On the inside of their plates, have the children draw Noah, his family and the animals, as shown in Figure C.
4. Staple the plates to the poster board, as shown in Figure D.
5. Have the children color the remainder of their poster board with pictures of things from Noah's ark: a rainbow, sun, etc.
6. Using a crayon, write "Noah's Ark" on the ark. See Figure E. The older children may be able to do this themselves.

Teacher Tips

While the children are making this craft, discuss what the children remember about the story of Noah with questions such as: *Why did Noah build the ark? Who was in the ark with Noah? Who made it rain for forty days?*



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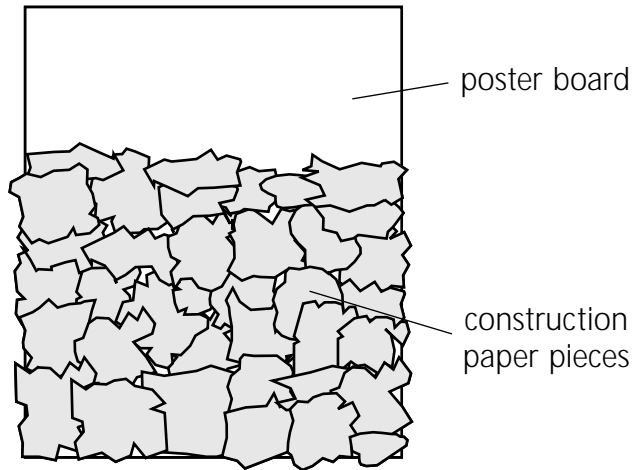


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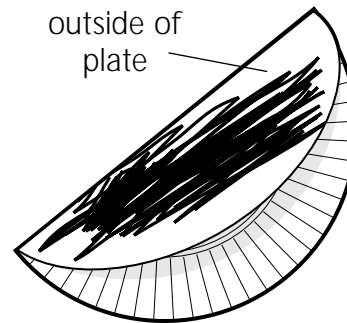


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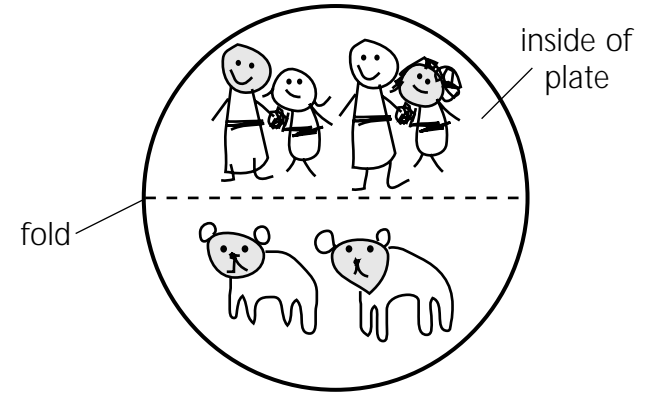


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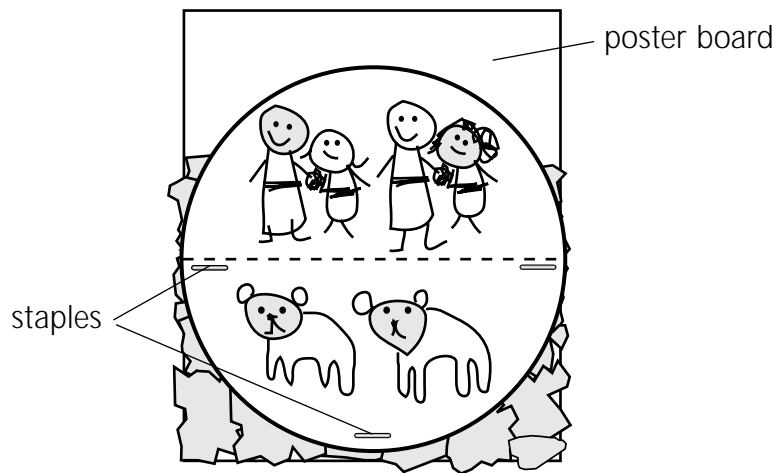


Figure D



Figure E



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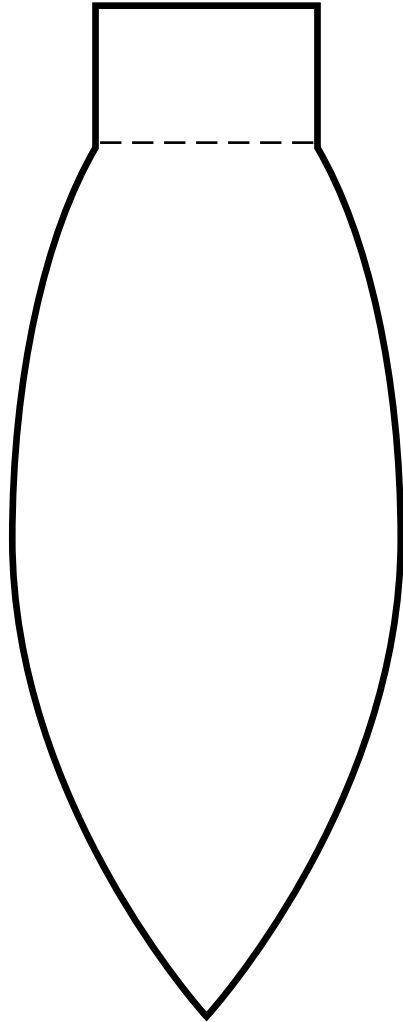


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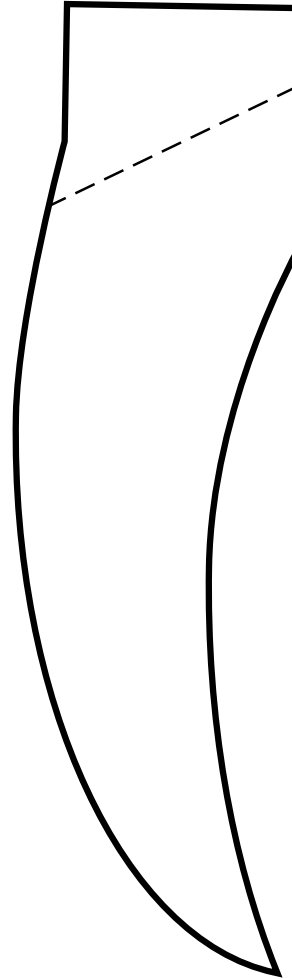
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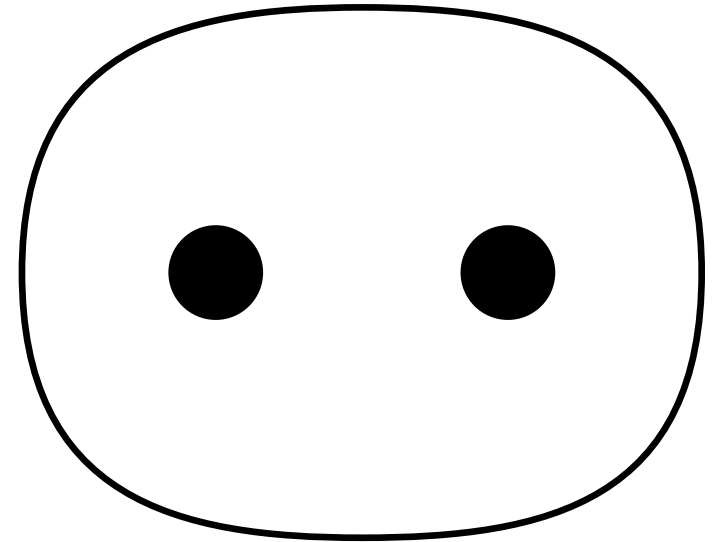
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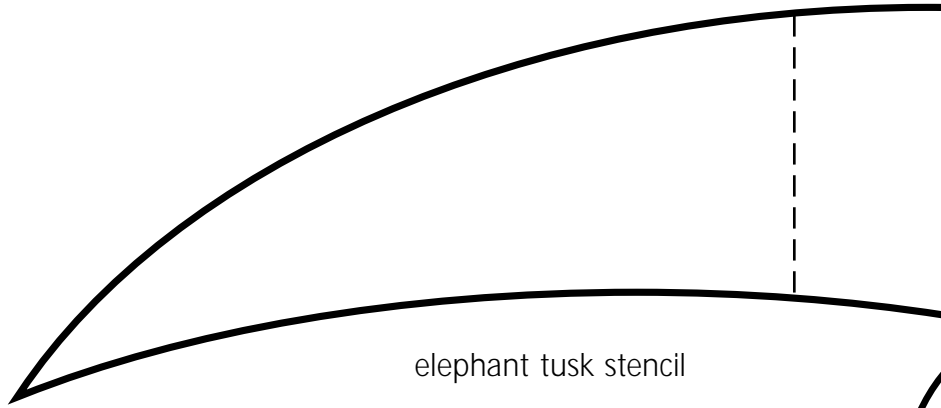


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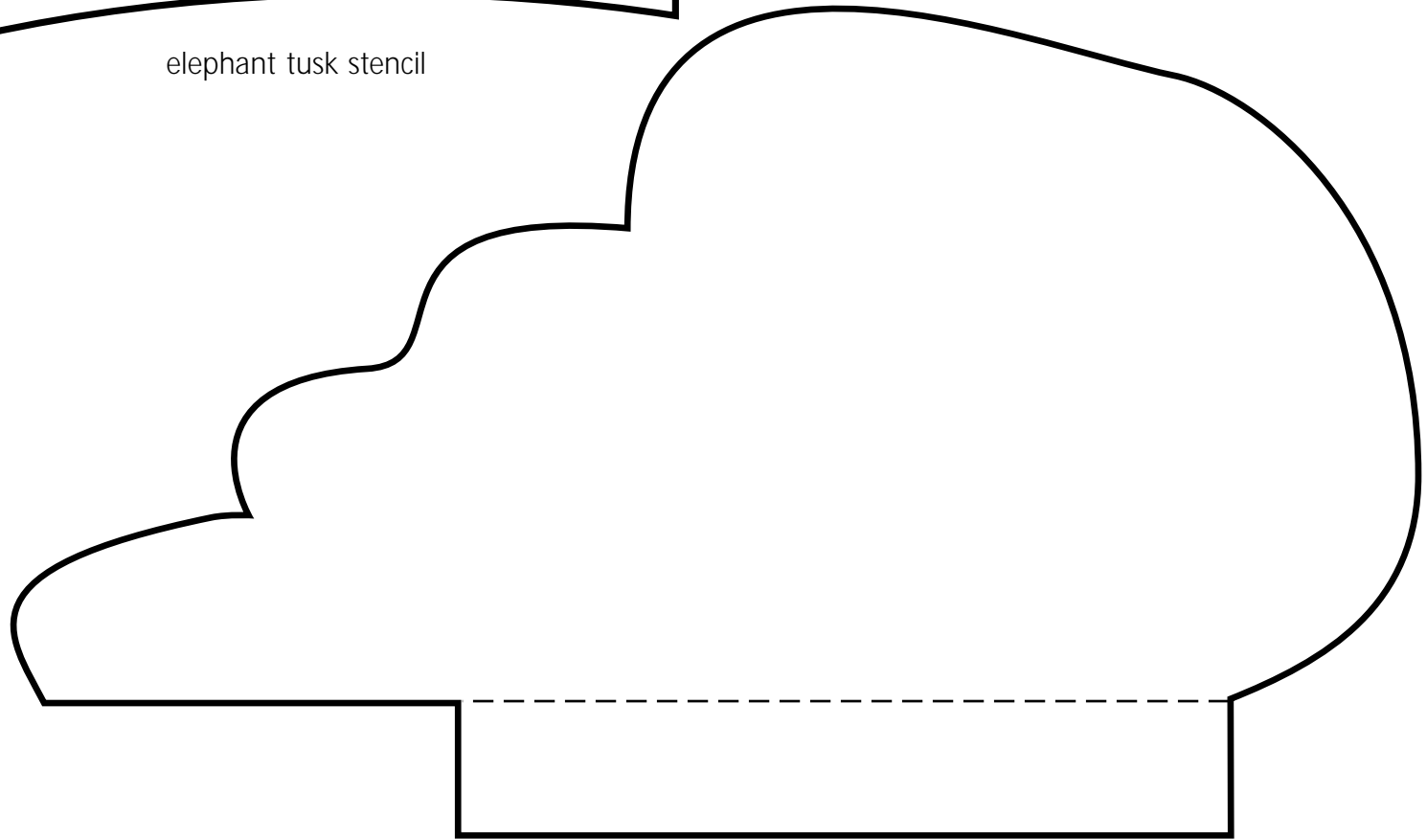
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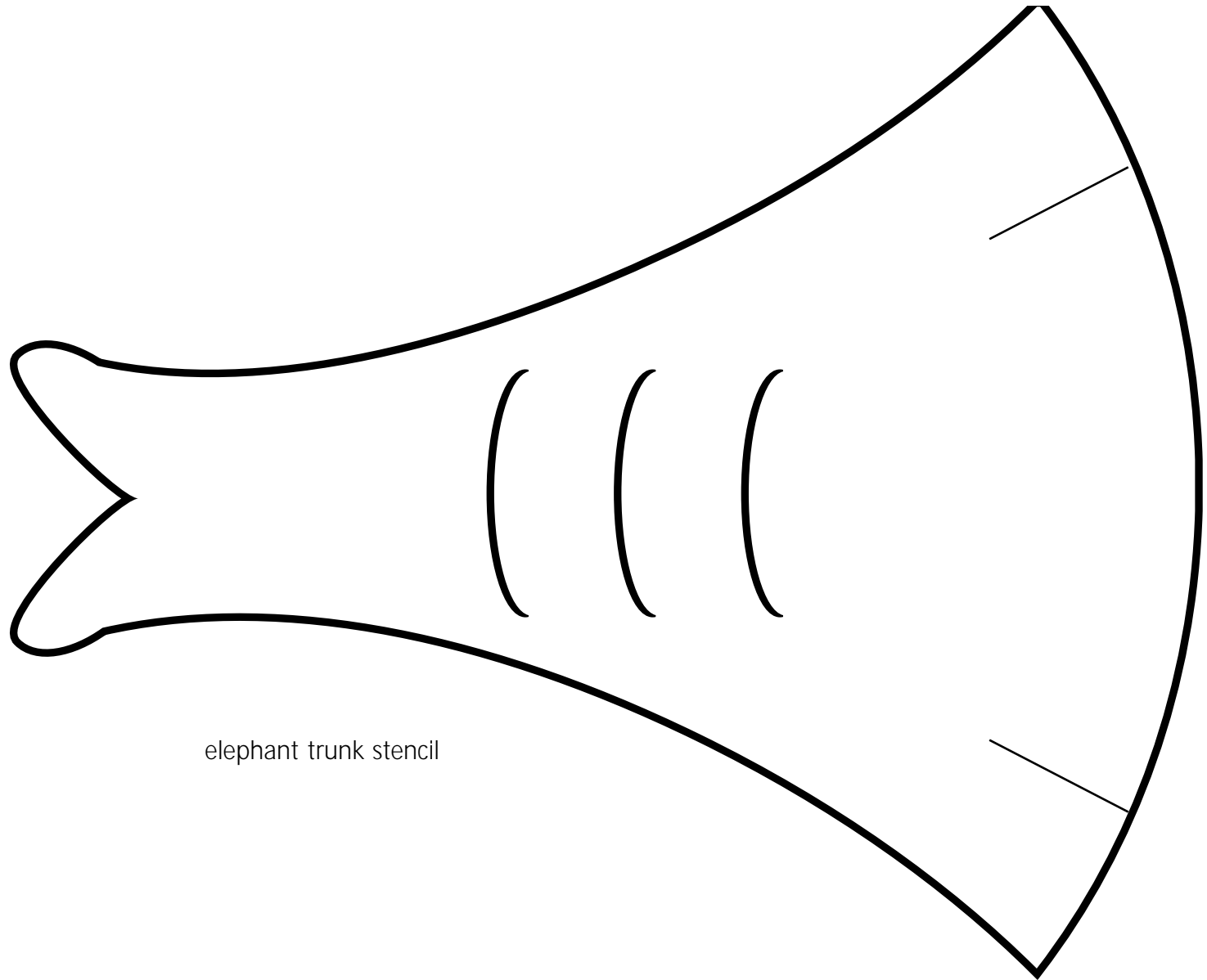
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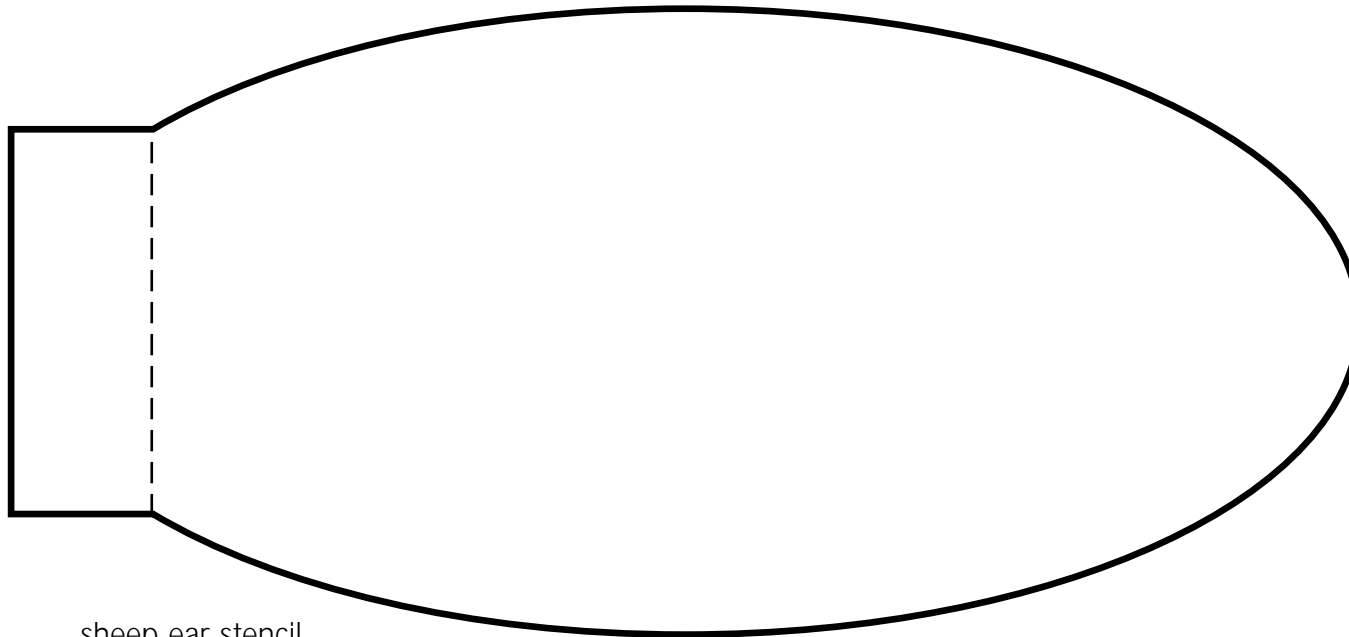


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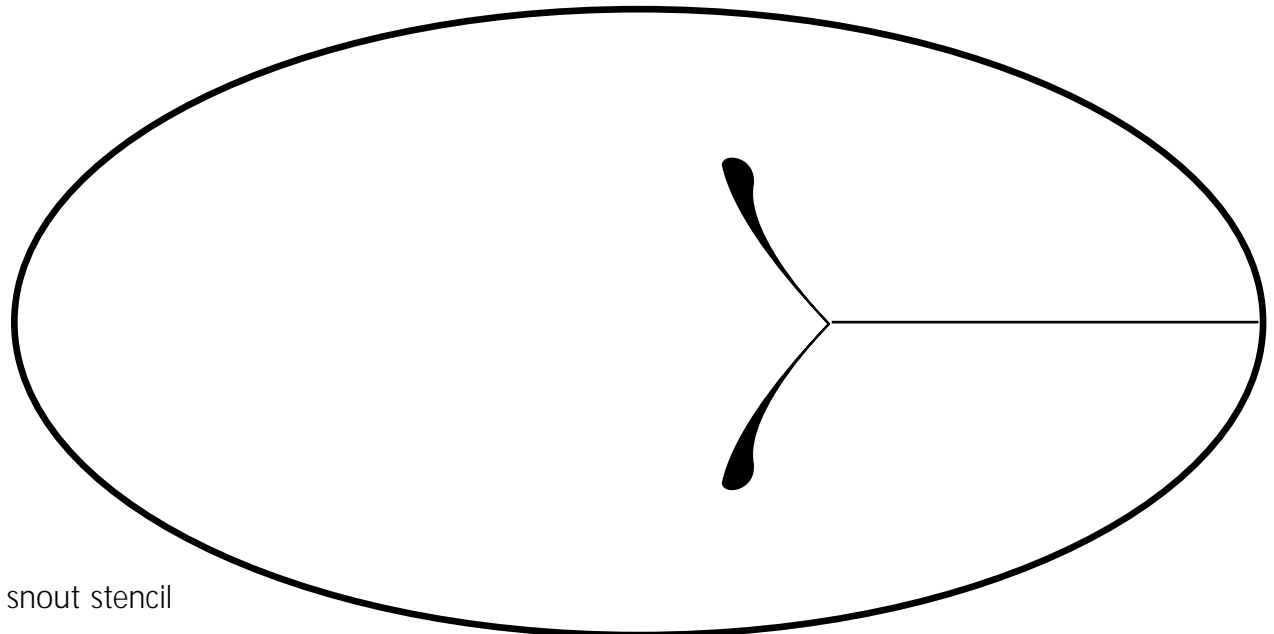
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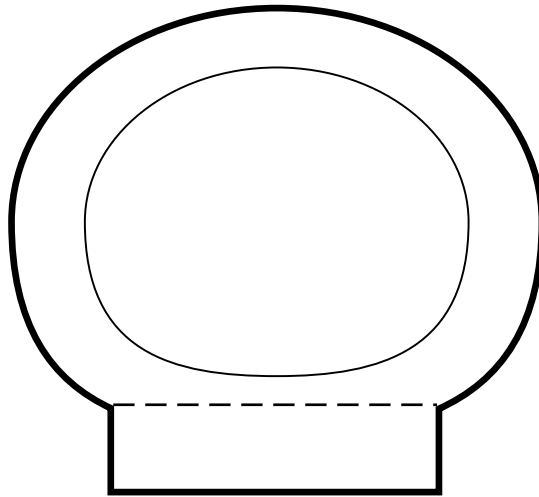
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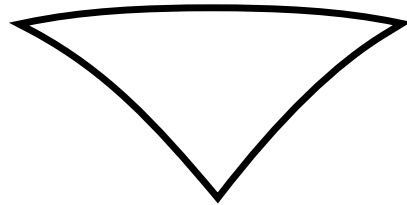
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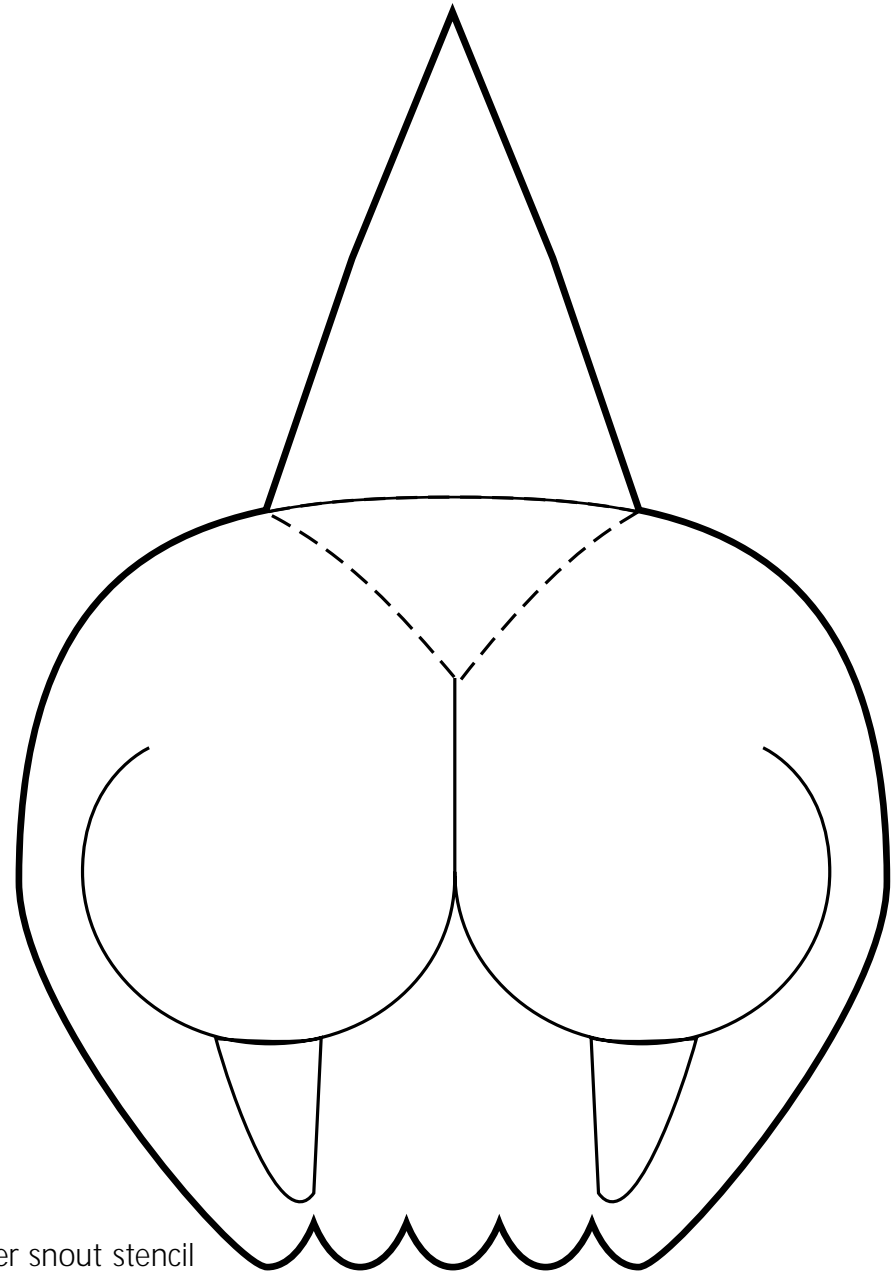
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