

Host Guide

Ages 6–11 • 4–14 guests • 45–60 minutes • No screens needed

Guests build and dress a paper character, then team up in the Showcase.



PRINT ON US LETTER AT ACTUAL SIZE

Base sheet	1 per 2 guests, rounded up. Cardstock if your printer takes it.
Outfit sheet	1 per guest, plus 1 for you
Profile cards	1 per 4 guests
Showcase game	1
Creator awards	1 per 8 guests
Design Lab	1 per 4 guests (optional)

SUPPLIES

Each guest: 1 pair of child-safe scissors

Every 2 guests: 1 glue stick, 1 box of crayons or markers

Every 4 guests: 1 roll of clear tape

SET UP

- ▶ One table, supplies in the middle.
- ▶ Body Bar: cut base sheets into strips. Lay them out by size at one end.
- ▶ Stage: clear the other end.
- ▶ Stick tape strips along the table edge.
- ▶ Cut the showcase and Design Lab cards apart.
- ▶ Optional: make the sample, Pepper Kitewell (page 4).

RUN OF SHOW (60 MINUTES)

0:00 Welcome. Show the sample. Guests pick a body, youngest first.

0:05 Body: color, cut, fold and tape the stand.

0:15 Dress up: color, cut and attach 4–6 pieces. Warn at 0:28.

0:33 Profile cards. You start the awards.

0:40 Scrap race, then Showcase (page 5).

0:55 Creator Awards and a final bow.

45 minutes, up to 8 guests: welcome 4, body 8, dress up 14, profile 5, showcase 10, awards 4.

AGES 6–7:

Pre-cut the ★ pieces on their outfit sheets. Help cut the body. They can draw profile answers or tell a grown-up.

AGES 9–11:

Invent a Design Lab piece. Write a backstory on the profile card's back.

EARLY FINISHERS:

Dress a sidekick from a spare body, invent a piece, or help a younger creator.

9+ GUESTS:

Add a second grown-up.

NO CARDSTOCK?

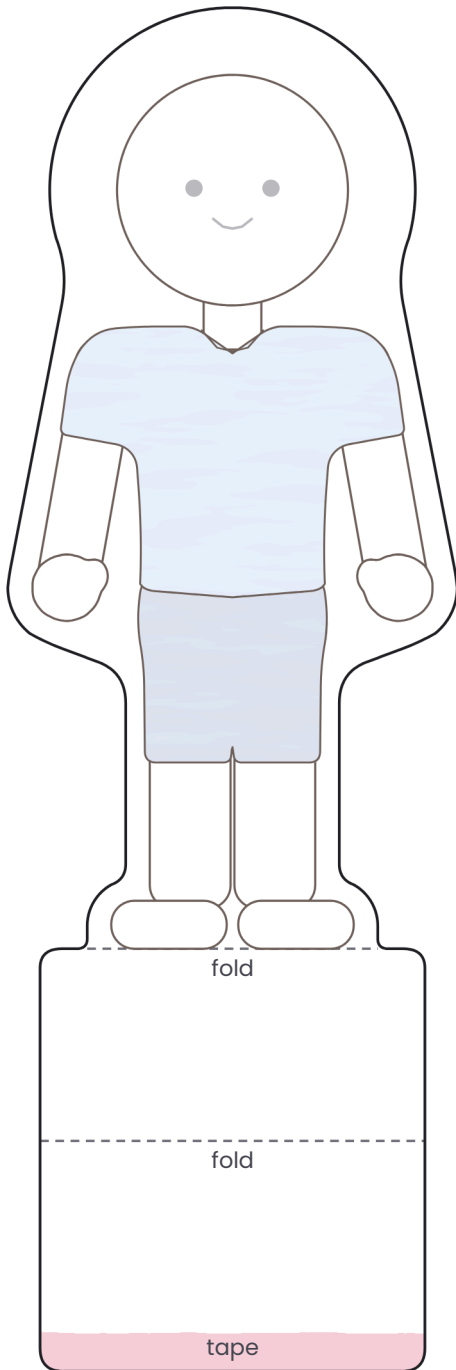
Glue each base strip to plain paper before cutting.

CLEANUP:

Recycling bin by the table. Cap markers between steps. Guests take home everything they made, plus spare pieces.

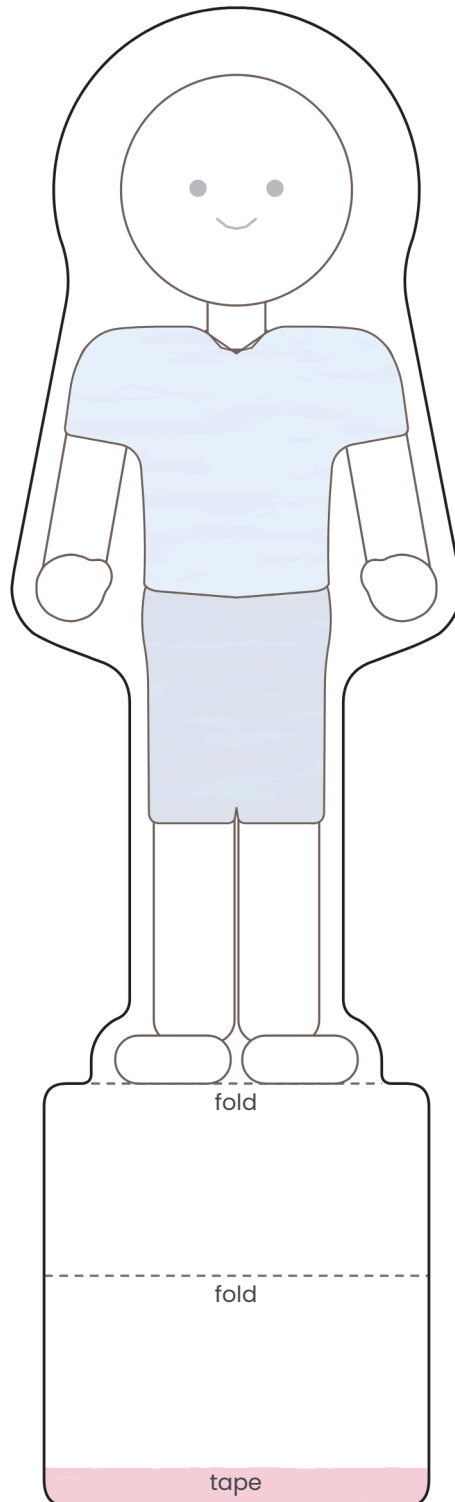
SMALL

1. Color skin, hair and face any way you like. Hair can reach the cut line.
2. Cut along the solid line.
3. Fold back on both dashed lines.
4. Tape the end to the back of the ankles.



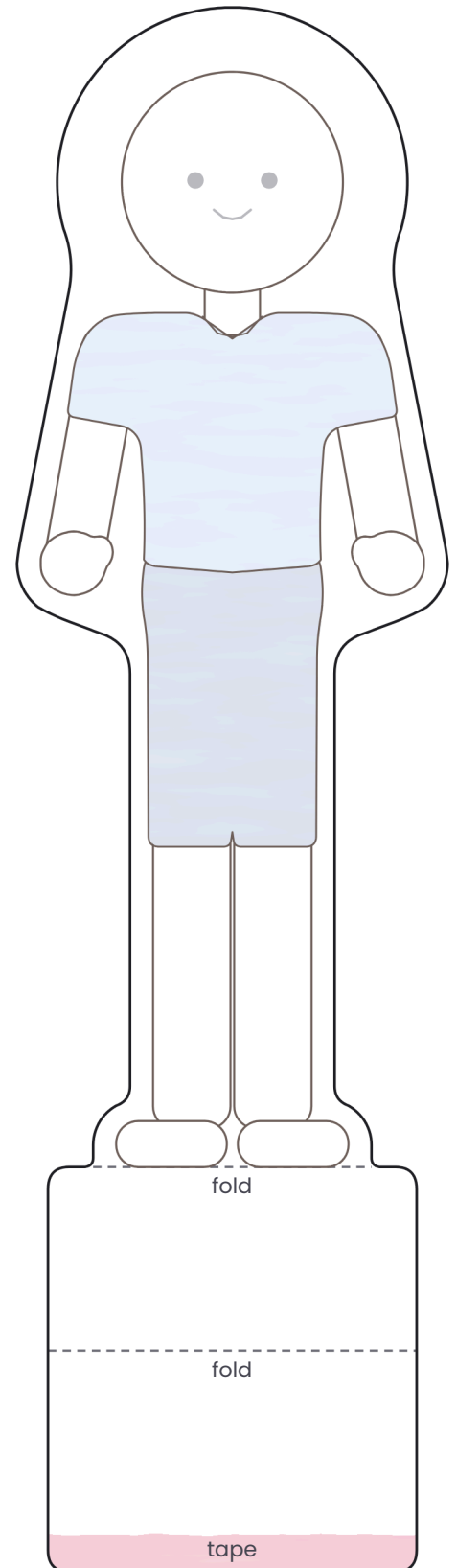
MEDIUM

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TALL

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Outfit & Accessory Sheet

Pick 4 to 6 pieces. Color them, cut them out and dress your character. Every piece fits every size.

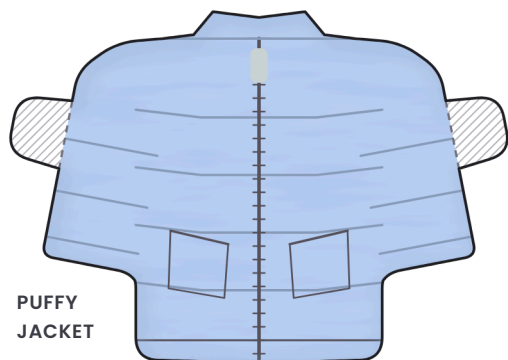
TABS: Cut around the tabs, not off them. Fold them back around your character's edge.

• **GLUE DOT:** One pea-size dab of glue on the back. On thick crayon, use a small loop of tape.

PRINTED CIRCLE: This piece goes behind your character. Put the glue on the circle.

★ A grown-up cuts these for ages 6–7.

CARGO PANTS: Small or Medium body? Cut on the S or M line.



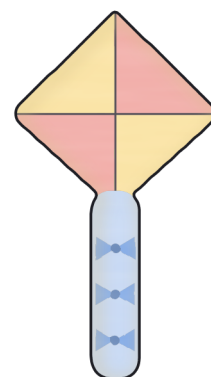
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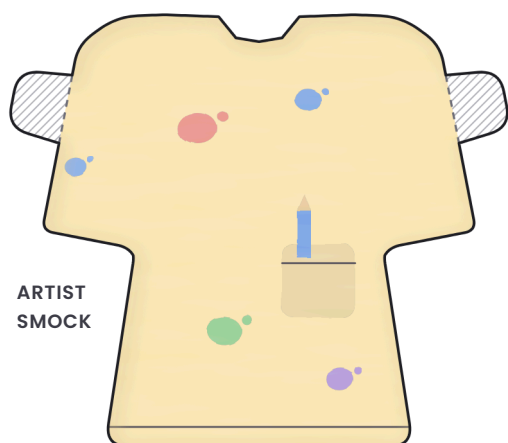
STRIPED TEE



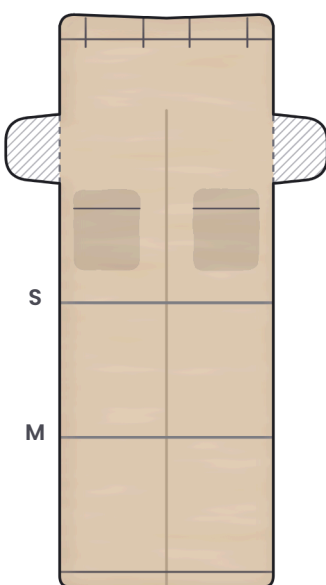
ADVENTURE VEST •



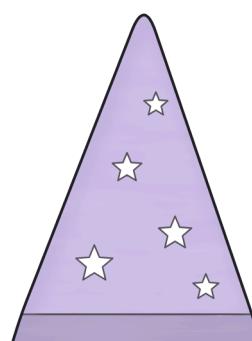
POCKET KITE • ★



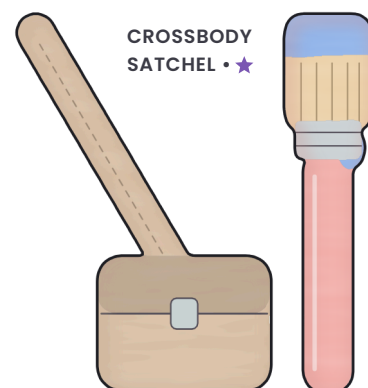
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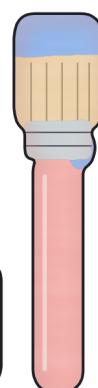
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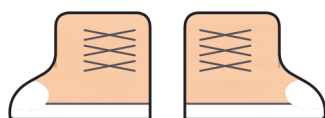
TALL STAR HAT •



CROSSBODY SATCHEL • ★



GIANT PAINTBRUSH •



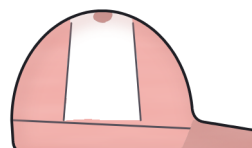
HIGH-TOP SNEAKERS • ★



RAIN BOOTS • ★



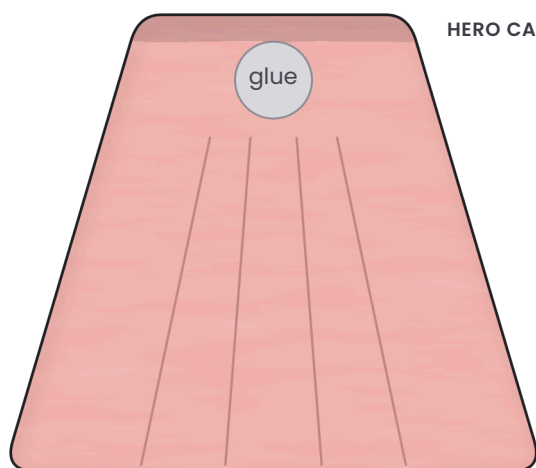
EXPLORER GOGGLES • ★



SUN CAP •



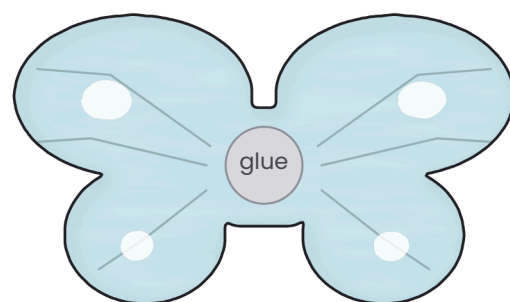
SIDEKICK PUP •



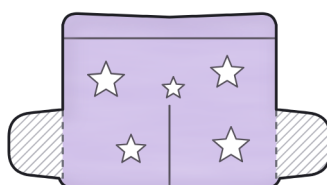
HERO CAPE



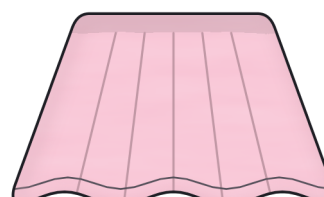
MINI DRAGON • ★



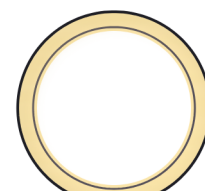
PAPER WINGS



STAR SHORTS



TWIRL SKIRT •



HERO BADGE •



SAMPLE PROFILE

Name: Pepper Kitewell
Created by: Jordan, age 8
Special skill: Builds a kite out of anything, even a sock
Favorite place: The windy hill behind the library
Catchphrase: "Hold on to your hats!"

CHARACTER PROFILE

Name: _____

Created by: _____

Special skill: What is my character amazing at?

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Character Showcase: Team-Up Challenge

10–15 minutes. Cut the cards apart. Set Grand Finale aside and shuffle the rest face down.

1. TEAM UP. The host makes pairs (one trio if needed), mixing older and younger creators. The older partner reads the card.

2. PLAN. Each pair draws a card and plans for 2 minutes. Every character must use its special skill. Story helper: First... Then... In the end...

3. SHOW. Pairs take turns at the Stage. Each creator says their character's name and catchphrase, then the pair tells the story in about 1 minute.

4. CHEER. After every turn, everyone gives the Creator Cheer: two claps and a big "Ta-da!"

5. GRAND FINALE. Every character goes on the Stage. The host reads the Grand Finale card, and each creator adds one sentence. Big group or short on time? Everyone says their catchphrase at once.

No points, no winners: every creator gets a Creator Award.

Shy? Your partner can introduce your character. Small group? Play two rounds. Ages 9+: add a surprise twist halfway.



TEAM-UP 1 • THE KITE IN THE TREE

A kite is stuck at the very top of the tallest tree in the park. How do your characters get it down?

TEAM-UP 2 • THE RAINY PICNIC

Rain clouds are rolling over the picnic! How do your characters keep the sandwiches dry and the fun going?

TEAM-UP 3 • THE PUPPY IN THE MAZE

A puppy ran into the giant hedge maze. How do your characters find it and bring it home?

TEAM-UP 4 • THE WOBBLY BRIDGE

The bridge to the party is wobbly! How do your characters get every guest across safely?

TEAM-UP 5 • THE GRUMPY CLOUD

A little cloud is so grumpy it rains on just one house. How do your characters cheer it up?

TEAM-UP 6 • THE BIG CAKE DELIVERY

A giant cake must reach the top of a steep hill without losing a crumb. Who carries, who guides and who cheers?

TEAM-UP 7 • THE SNOW DAY

Your town woke up under a mountain of snow. How do your characters dig out and make the day amazing?

TEAM-UP 8 • THE TALENT SHOW

The show starts in five minutes, and you are the opening act! What do your characters perform together?

TEAM-UP 9 • THE TIDY-UP MACHINE

Invent a machine that cleans a super-messy bedroom in one minute. What part does each character build?

GRAND FINALE • EVERYONE

The whole town is throwing a surprise party for all of you! Each character brings one thing to make it amazing. What do you bring?

Creator Awards

Every creator gets one. Write each creator's name before the showcase, then add character names as you hear them. 9 or more guests? Print two sheets. Titles can repeat.



CREATOR AWARD

WILDEST OUTFIT

For a look nobody else in the world could dream up.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

BEST BACKSTORY

For a character whose story we all want to hear more of.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

KINDEST HERO

For a character with the biggest, kindest heart in town.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

MOST COLORFUL

For using every color in the box, and then some.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

MASTER OF DETAILS

For the tiny touches that make a character shine.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

BEST TEAM PLAYER

For a creator who made their team-up partner shine.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

CATCHPHRASE CHAMPION

For a catchphrase we will be repeating all week.

Creator: _____

Character: _____

At _____'s Avatar Workshop



CREATOR AWARD

CREATOR'S CHOICE

The _____ Award
For _____

Creator: _____

Character: _____

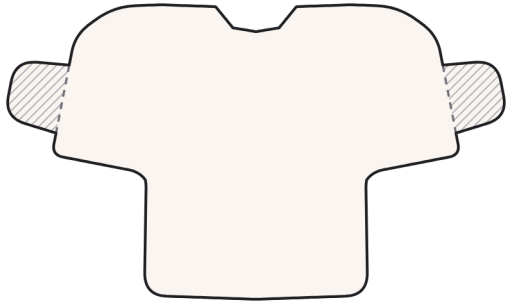
At _____'s Avatar Workshop

Design Lab: Invent Your Own Piece

Draw inside an outline, color it and cut it out. Every outline already fits every size.

BLANK TOP

Design a top that shows off your character's special skill. Keep the tabs!



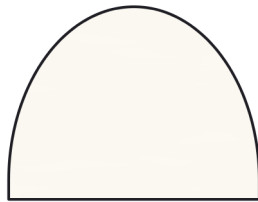
BLANK SHORTS

Design shorts for your character's favorite place. Keep the tabs!



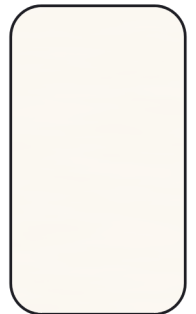
BLANK HAT

Invent a hat. What secret thing can it do? Attach it with a glue dot.



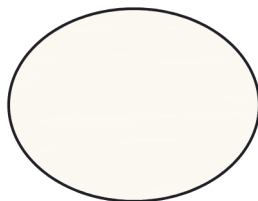
BLANK GADGET

Invent a gadget that helps with your special skill. What does each button do?



BLANK PET

Invent a pet sidekick. Give it a name and one trick.



ANYTHING BOX

Wings, a crown, a scarf, a snack: draw anything that fits in the box. Keep it chunky, with no part thinner than your little finger.

