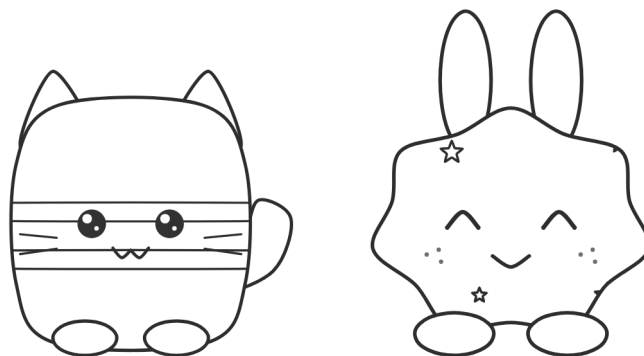


Design Your Own Blind Bag

30–60 minutes • ages 5 and up, with a grown-up for cutting



Invent your own blind-bag collectible: color one of ours or design one from a blank shape, stick on faces and hats, then decorate a bag to hide it in. Everything prints in black and white.

WHAT IS INSIDE

- 2 Pocket Pals to color
- 8 blank shapes to design
- 36 stick-on faces, hats and extras
- Design sheet + 2 bag sizes to decorate

YOU NEED

- Printer paper (US Letter)
- Crayons, markers or colored pencils
- Scissors (a grown-up helps)
- Glue stick and clear tape
- A ruler and an empty ballpoint pen for scoring

HOW IT WORKS

- 1 PRINT AND CHECK**
Print on US Letter at Actual Size / 100% — never Fit to Page — and measure the 1-inch square before you cut. Bags: 24–32 lb paper or 65 lb light cardstock. Collectibles: plain 20–24 lb printer paper folds and tapes easily (best for squishies); cardstock makes stiffer flat charms.
- 2 INVENT IT**
Plan your Pocket Pal on the design sheet (page 3): its shape, face, name and secret trick.
- 3 DRAW, COLOR, STICK**
Color both sides of a blank shape before you cut it out. Glue on faces and hats from pages 4–5, or draw your own.
- 4 FOLD, BAG, SWAP**
Fold your collectible (page 2), then decorate a bag on page 6 — small bag 2.4 × 3.4 in, big bag 2.9 × 4 in. Every collectible is shown in this file. The surprise happens when one person packs and seals the bags and someone else opens them.

SAFETY

A grown-up should help with scissors and do any craft-knife cutting. Paper pieces, stuffing and seal stickers can be choking hazards for children under 3. Keep them away from babies and toddlers. Use a glue stick or tape — no hot glue for children.

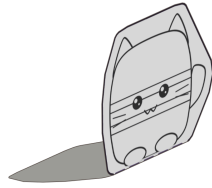
How to Make Them

Read each step before you cut • pictures are renderings, not photos

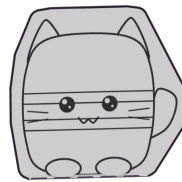
COLLECTIBLES (PAGES 4–5)



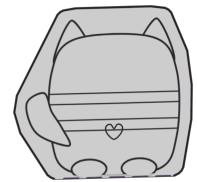
CUT OUT



FOLD



FRONT



BACK

- CUT OUT THE SHAPE**
Cut along the solid outline, around the front and the upside-down back together. Do not cut the dashed line — it joins the two sides.
- SCORE AND FOLD**
Press an empty ballpoint pen along the dashed line against a ruler, then fold the back behind the front so both pictures face out.
- GLUE IT FLAT — OR MAKE IT SQUISHY**
Flat charm: glue the blank insides together and press. Squishy: tape around the edge with clear tape, leave a 1-inch gap, push in a little tissue, then tape the gap shut.

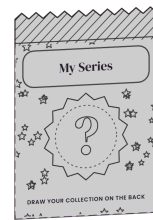
CRIMP-TOP BAG (PAGE 6)



CUT OUT



FOLD



FINISHED

- CUT OUT**
Cut the solid outline: the zigzag ends, the sides and the two side tabs.
- SCORE**
Score the dashed lines — the bottom fold and the two tab folds.
- FOLD THE TABS**
Fold both side tabs behind the front. Turn the piece over: the shaded GLUE areas now face you — glue them.
- CLOSE THE SIDES**
Fold the back up over the tabs and press. The two zigzag ends should line up; the top stays open.
- FILL AND SEAL**
Put the surprise inside, then glue or tape the inside of the zigzag band shut. To open, tear across the band.

Invent a Pocket Pal

Plan it here first • then draw it on a blank shape

FRONT — THE FACE SIDE

BACK — WHAT IS BEHIND?

NAME

NUMBER IN MY SERIES

ITS FAVORITE THING

ITS SECRET TRICK

IDEAS IF YOU ARE STUCK

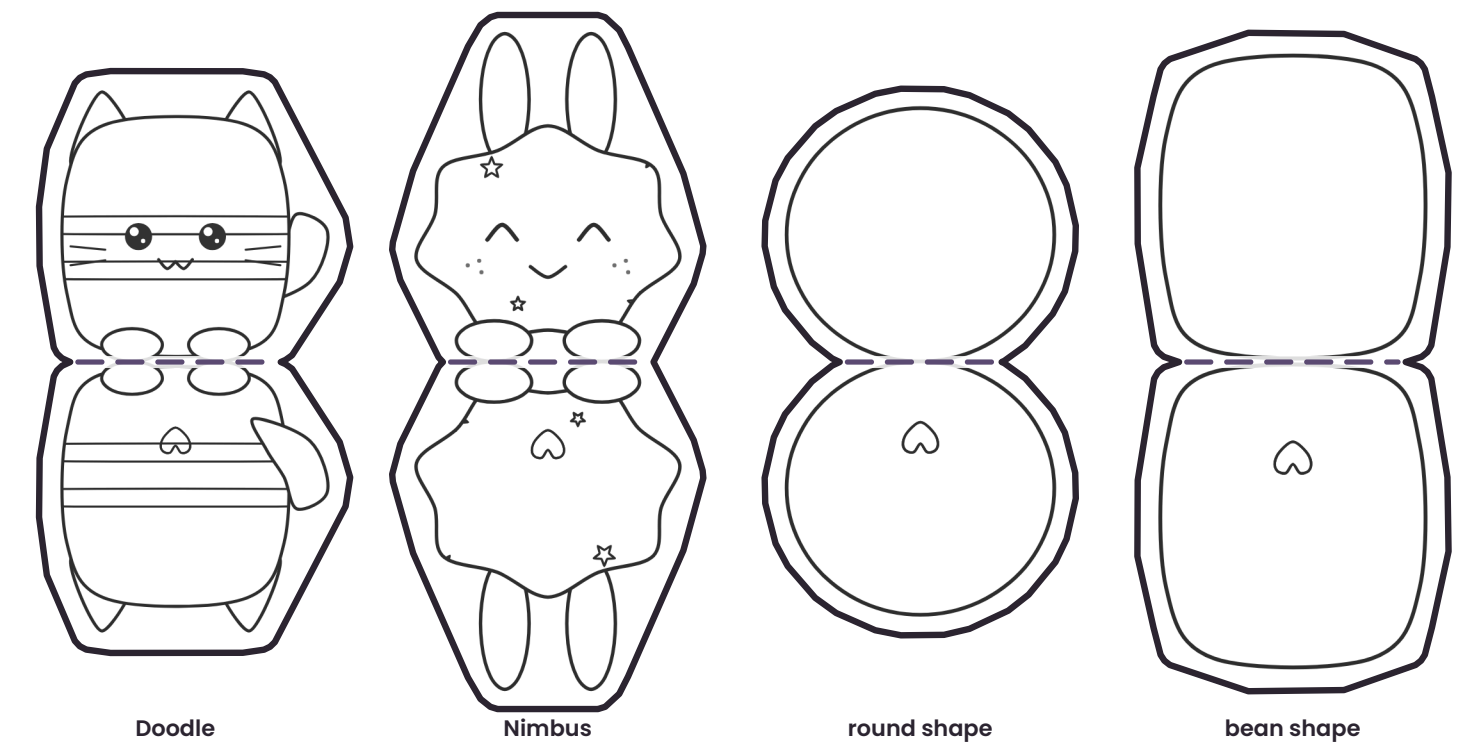
- A food that comes alive: a pickle, a muffin, a bowl of cereal.
- A creature from a place: a cloud pup, a moss mouse, a tide-pool bun.
- Mix two things: a bee + a cupcake, a cat + a teapot, a star + a sheep.
- Give it something to hold: a balloon, a book, a tiny umbrella.

MY SERIES

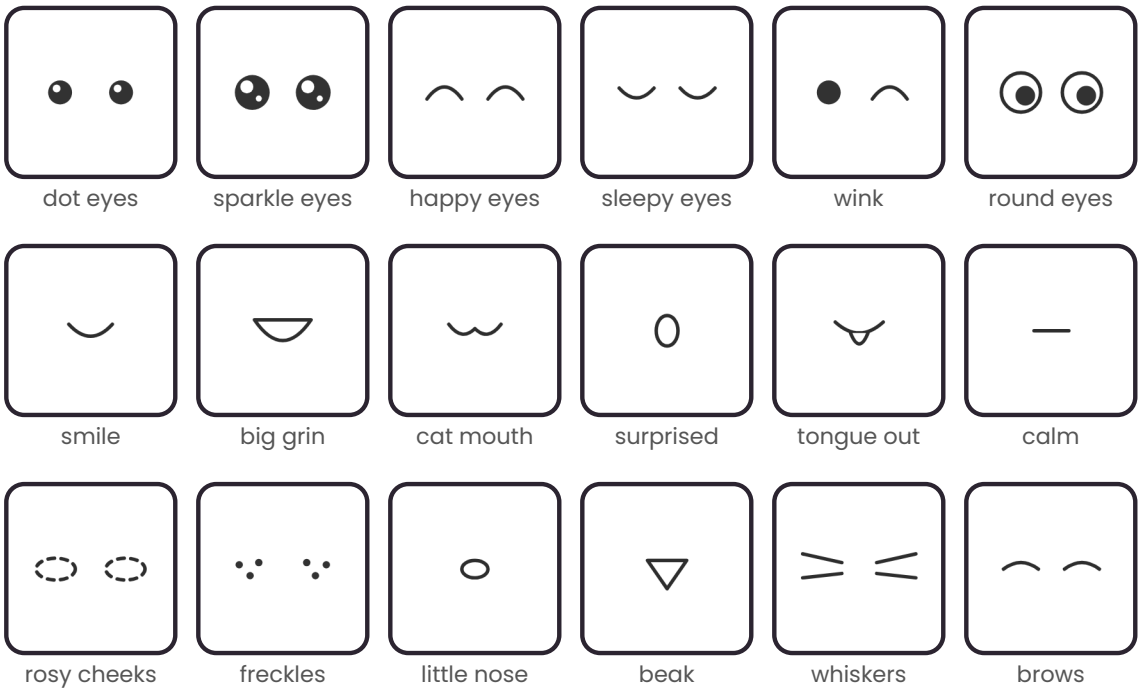
SERIES NAME

HOW MANY TO COLLECT

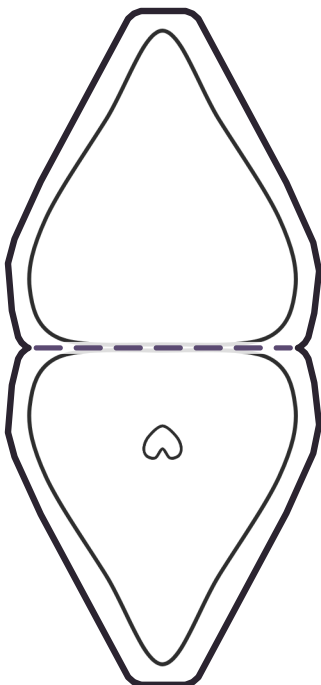
THE OTHER POCKET PALS IN MY SERIES



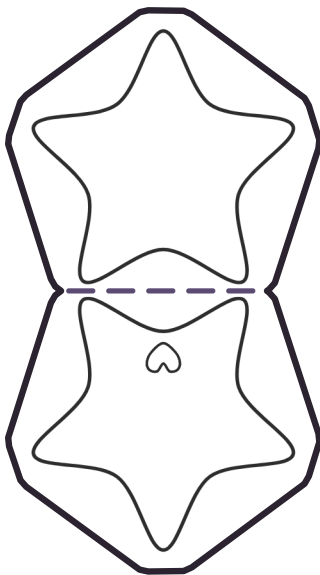
STICK-ON FACES — COLOR, CUT AND GLUE ONTO A BLANK



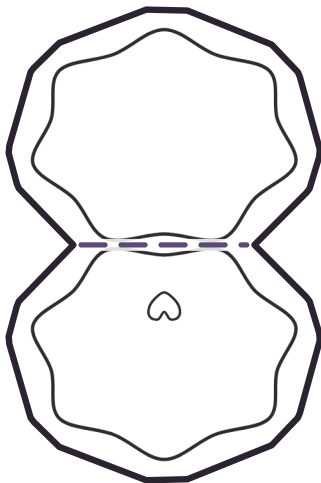
Measure first



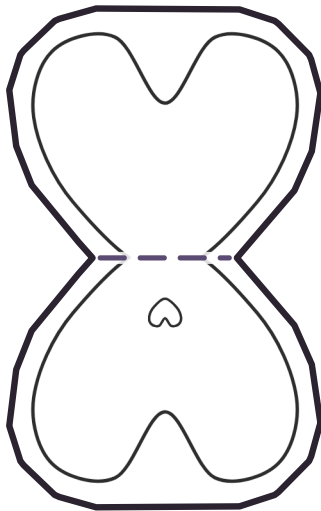
drop shape



star shape



cloud shape



heart shape

HATS, GLASSES AND EXTRAS



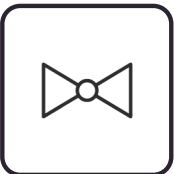
party hat



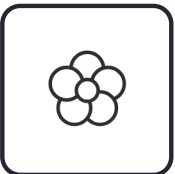
crown



beanie



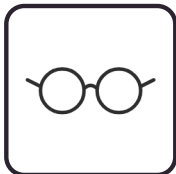
bow



flower clip



sun hat



round glasses



star glasses



heart badge



star wand



scarf



sprout



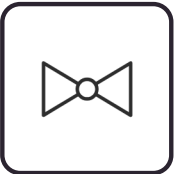
balloon



lightning



heart badge



bow



party hat



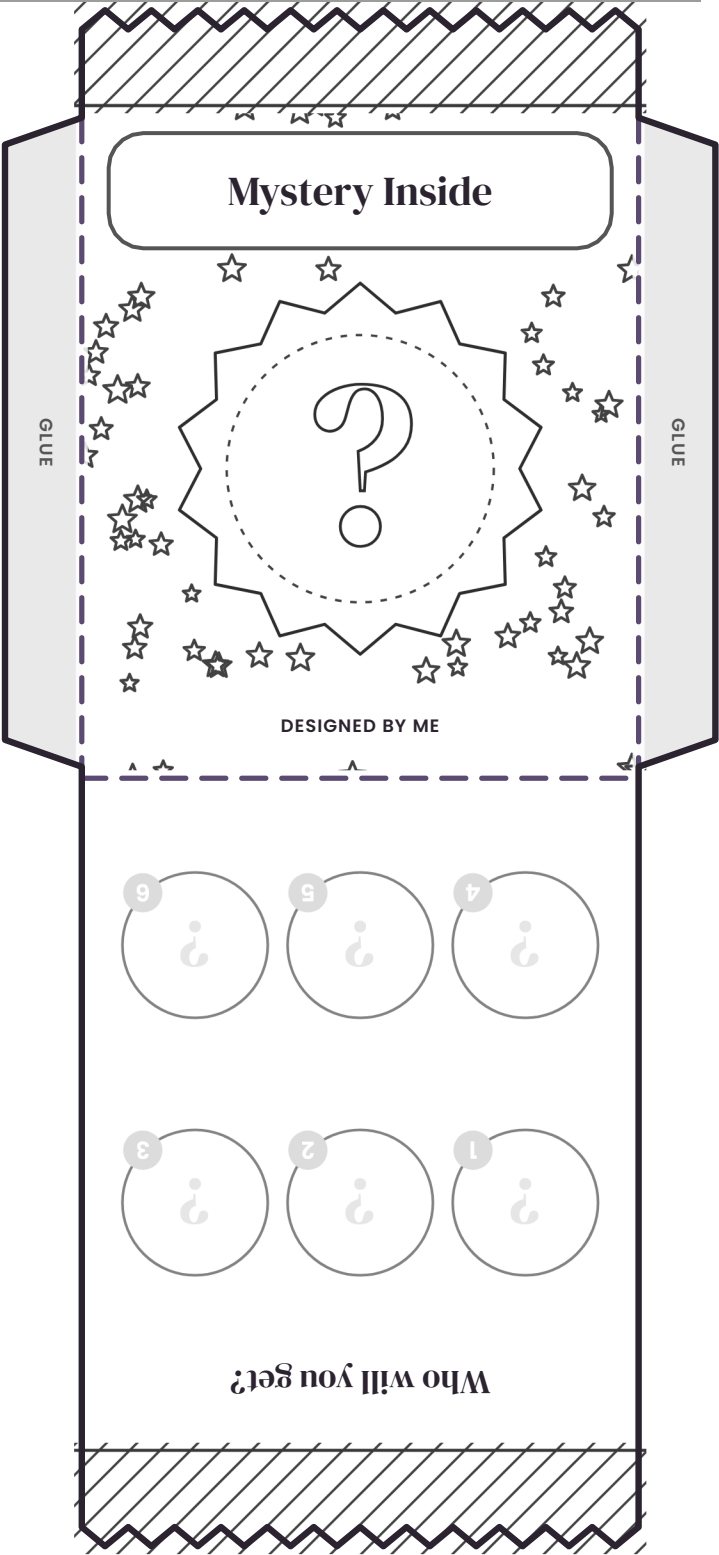
crown



Measure first

Two Bags to Decorate

Print at Actual Size (100%) • color, then cut and fold



Measure first