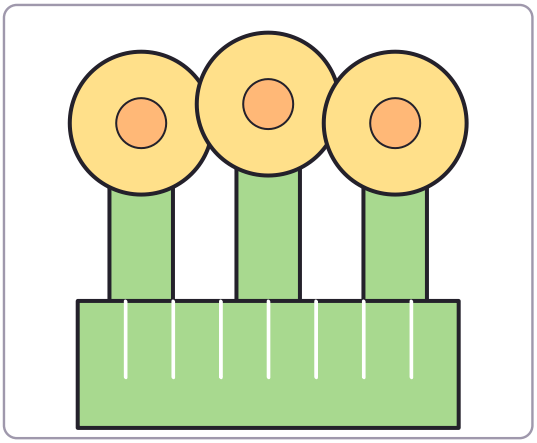
FREE SAMPLE CRAFT · LEVEL S2

Scissor-to-Craft

Layered Flower Garden Maker

Grass and stems, a row of tulips, round flowers in three layers, and a bouquet with leaves in three sizes. Each craft adds a new cutting move, from snips to bumps and dips.



Grass and Stems, finished (drawing)

THE LEVELS IN THIS PACK (OUT OF FIVE)

S0	S1	S2	S3	S4
Get ready	Snip	Cut straight	Turn and curve	Build

IN THIS FREE CRAFT

- A snip-and-stop warm-up
- Grass and stem pieces at true size
- A glue base and a finished drawing
- Easier and harder ways
- Safety and grip notes
- A low-ink cut sheet

Digital download · Print at 100% on US Letter · Always with a grown-up and child-safe scissors · Practice and play, not a therapy program

Before you begin

About 20 minutes. You need child-safe scissors, a glue stick and crayons.

A first garden: snip a fringe of grass, cut three straight stems, and glue them under three round flowers (the grown-up cuts the circles). Later crafts add corners, curves and bumps, one new cutting move at a time.

SAFETY FIRST

- A grown-up stays with the child for every cutting activity.
- Use child-safe scissors with rounded tips that fit the child's hand, and left-handed scissors for a left-handed child.
- Cut sitting at a table. Walk with scissors closed, holding the blades.
- Glue sticks only. Keep small paper scraps away from children who still put things in their mouths.

GRIP AND HELPER HAND

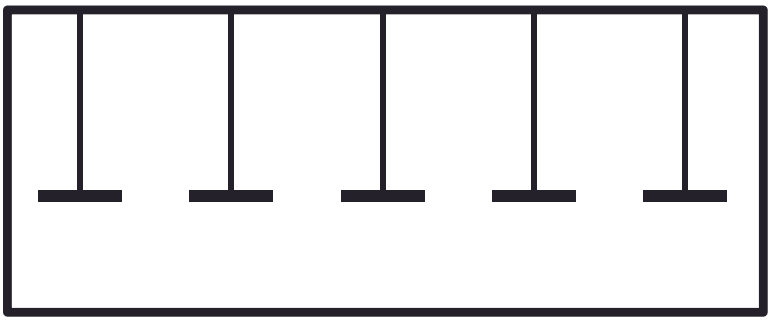
- Thumb in the top loop, pointing up ("thumbs up"). Fingers in the bottom loop.
- The helper hand holds the paper near the edge, thumb on top, fingers below and away from the blades.
- Use left-handed scissors: the blades are reversed so the child can see the line.

PRINT CHECK

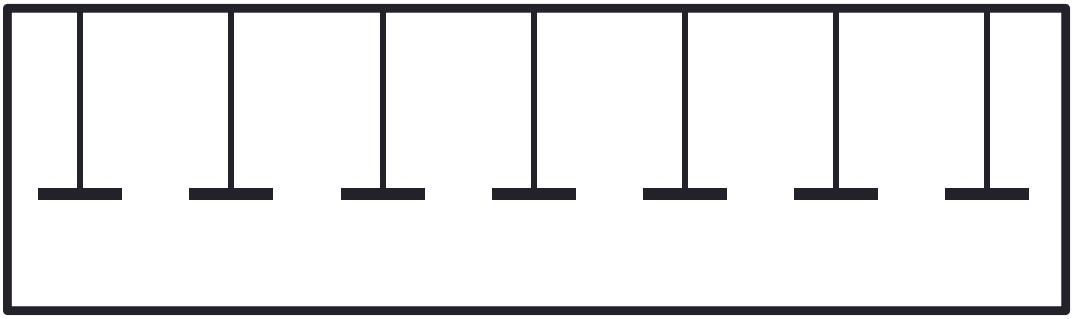
Print at 100% ("Actual size"). The pieces are drawn at real size, so they match the glue base only at 100%.

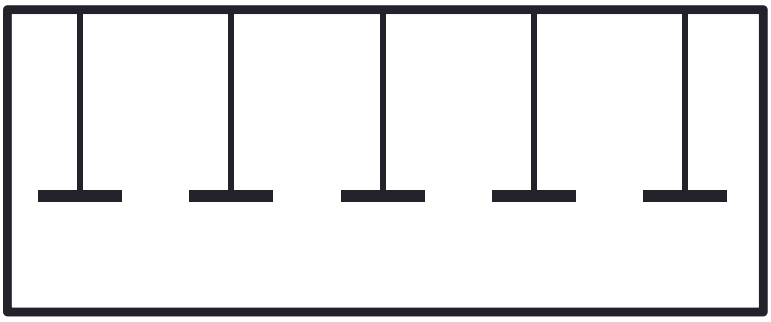
Warm-up: Snip and stop

For Grass and Stems. Snip on each line and stop at the bar. Keep the strip in one piece.



STOP at the bar





GROWN-UP: WATCH FOR

- Thumb on top ("thumbs up"), scissors pointing away.
- The helper hand holds the paper, fingers away from the blades, and turns it at corners.
- Left-handed? Use left-handed scissors. Any direction that keeps the line in view is fine.

Cut it out: Grass and Stems

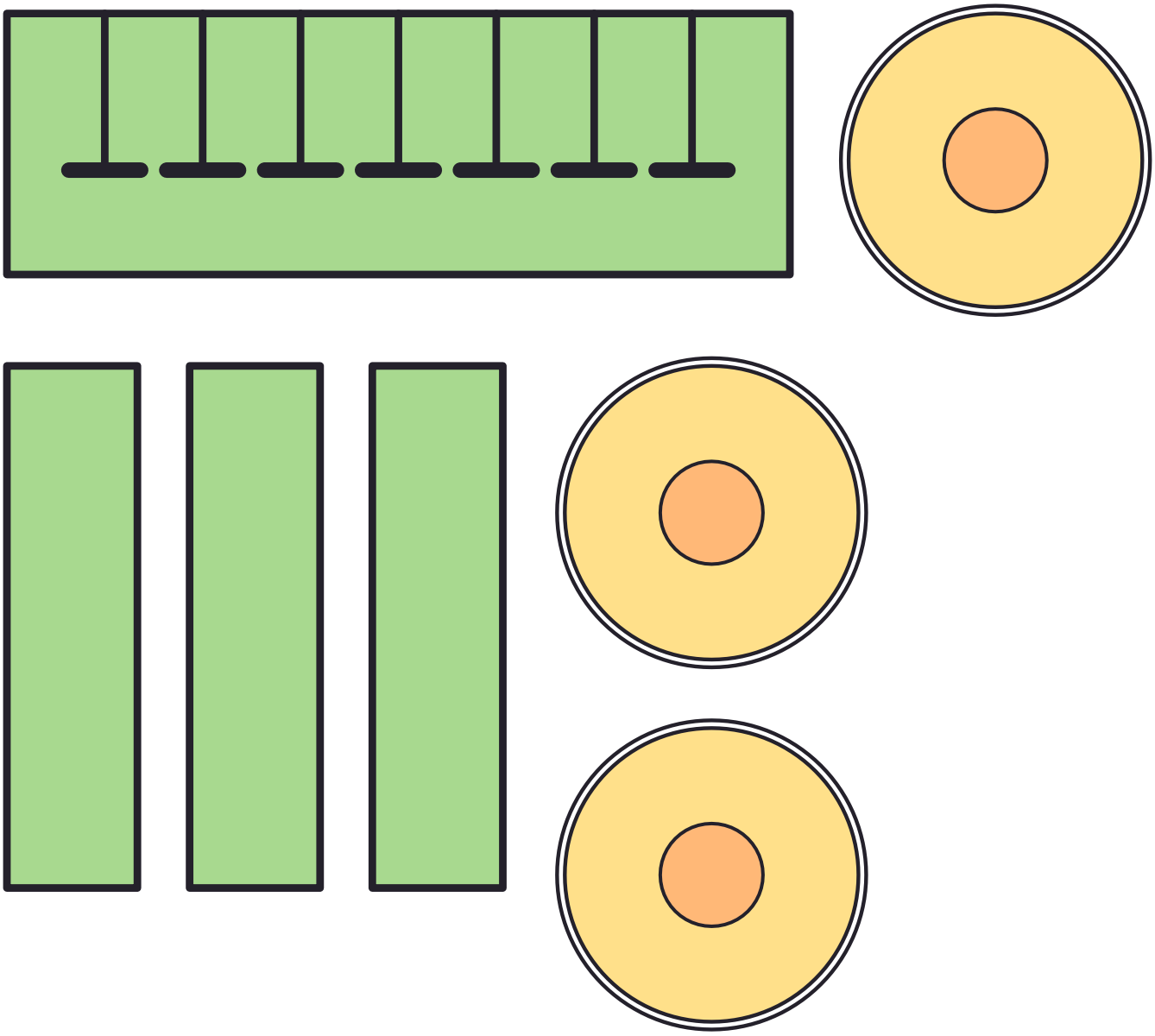
cut on the line

snip, stop at the bar

fold

glue

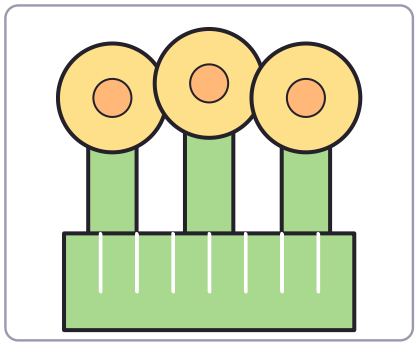
grown-up cuts



Make it: Grass and Stems

1. Cut the grass strip out (the grown-up can help), then snip on each line and stop at the bar.
2. Cut out the three stems: straight lines, stop at each end.
3. Glue the stems on the base, then the grass over their bottoms.
4. Glue a flower on top of each stem.

FINISHED (DRAWING)



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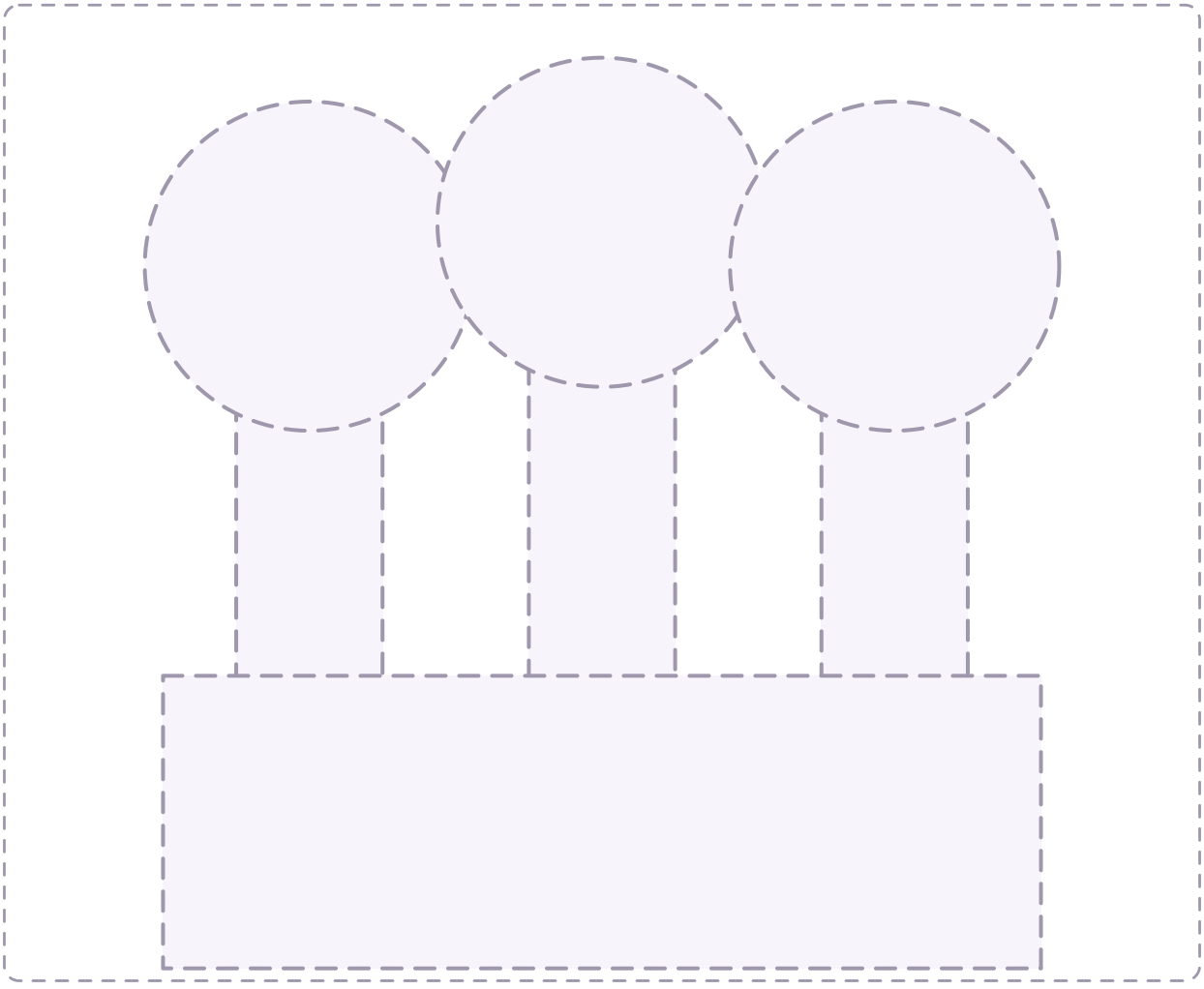

EASIER
Snip the grass today; the grown-up cuts the stems.

HARDER
Cut a fourth stem from scrap paper and add a flower you draw yourself.

GROWN-UP CHECK
Does the child stop each snip at the bar and keep the grass strip in one piece?

Cut it out: Grass and Stems

cut on the line

snip, stop at the bar

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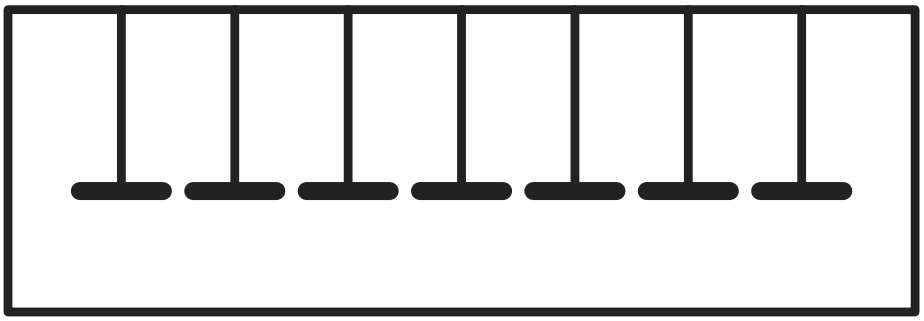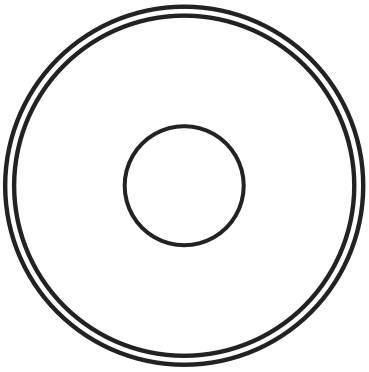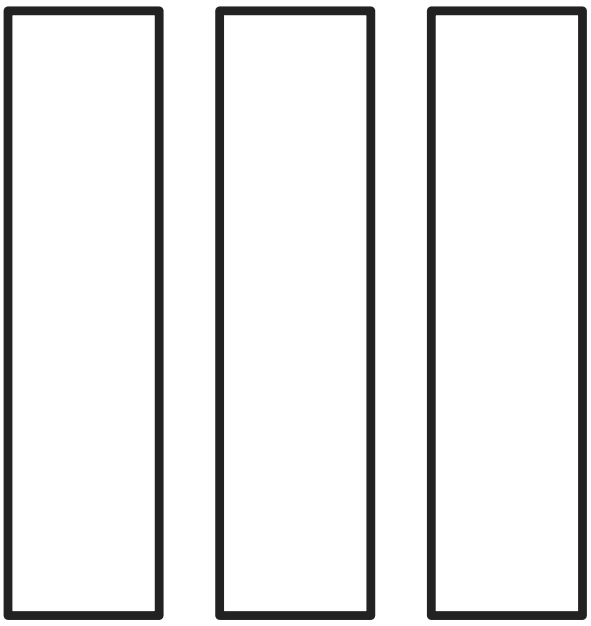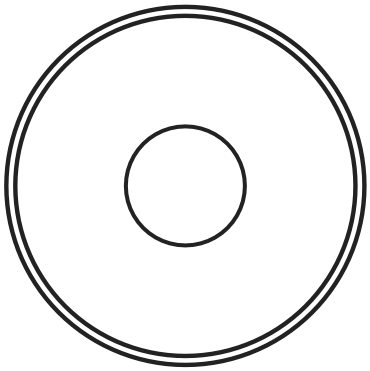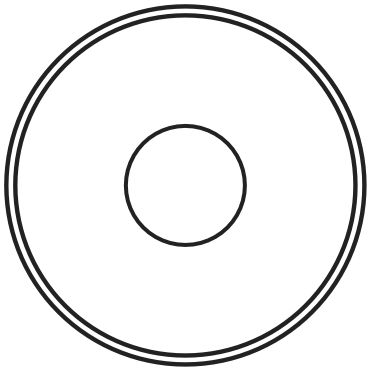
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