

Free Spring Egg Starter

20–30 minutes • ages 4 and up, with a grown-up for cutting



Hatch two spring critters from paper eggs and make two cracked-shell bags to hide them in — a candy-free spring hunt.

WHAT IS INSIDE

- 2 Spring Critters to make (+ 1 to design)
- 2 cracked-shell crimp-top bags
- Pictured steps

YOU NEED

- Printer paper or light cardstock (US Letter)
- Scissors (a grown-up helps)
- Glue stick and clear tape
- A ruler and an empty ballpoint pen for scoring
- Tissue or paper scraps if you make squishies

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 MAKE THE SPRING CRITTERS**
Page 3: cut, fold and glue each one — or make it squishy.
- 3 MAKE THE BAGS**
Page 4: cut, score, fold and glue.
- 4 PACK, SWAP, OPEN**
One person packs and seals the bags; someone else opens them.

IN THE FULL SET

The full Egg Surprise Bags set has all 6 critters, egg-top flap bags, 6 collector cards, 12 insert cards, 6 seals, a numbered discovery checklist, and Easter and Spring wording in color and ink-saver.

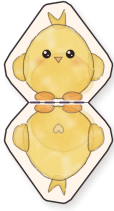
SAFETY

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. Home-printed paper and ink are not food safe: if you add a treat, use one that is individually wrapped.

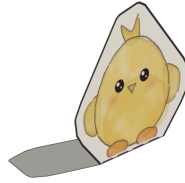
How to Make Them

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

COLLECTIBLES (PAGE 3)



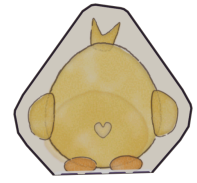
CUT OUT



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 4)



CUT OUT

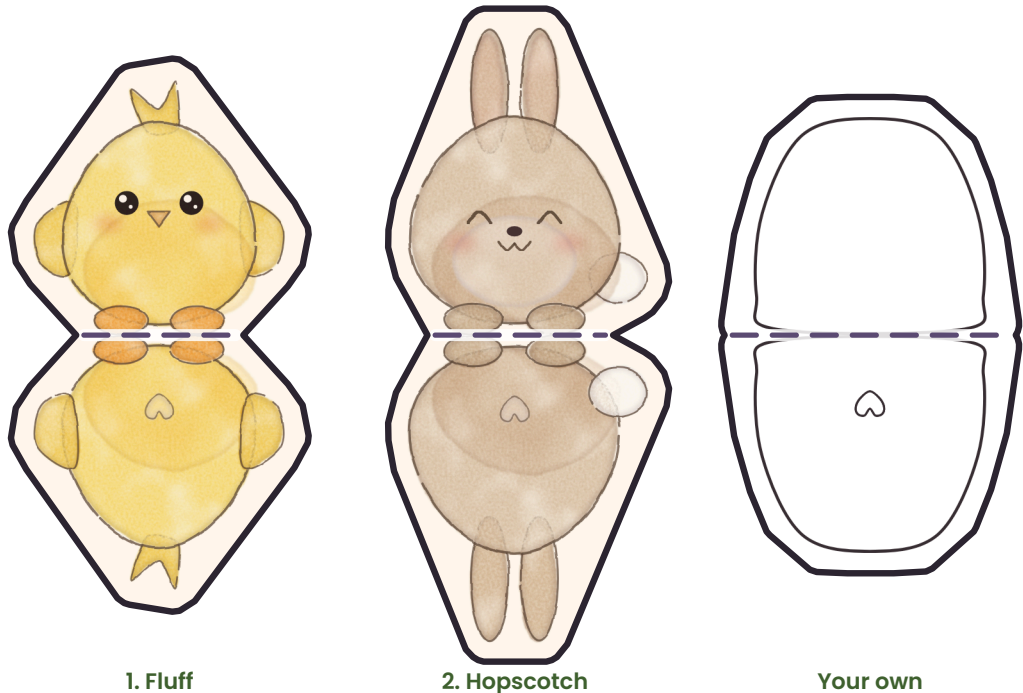


FOLD

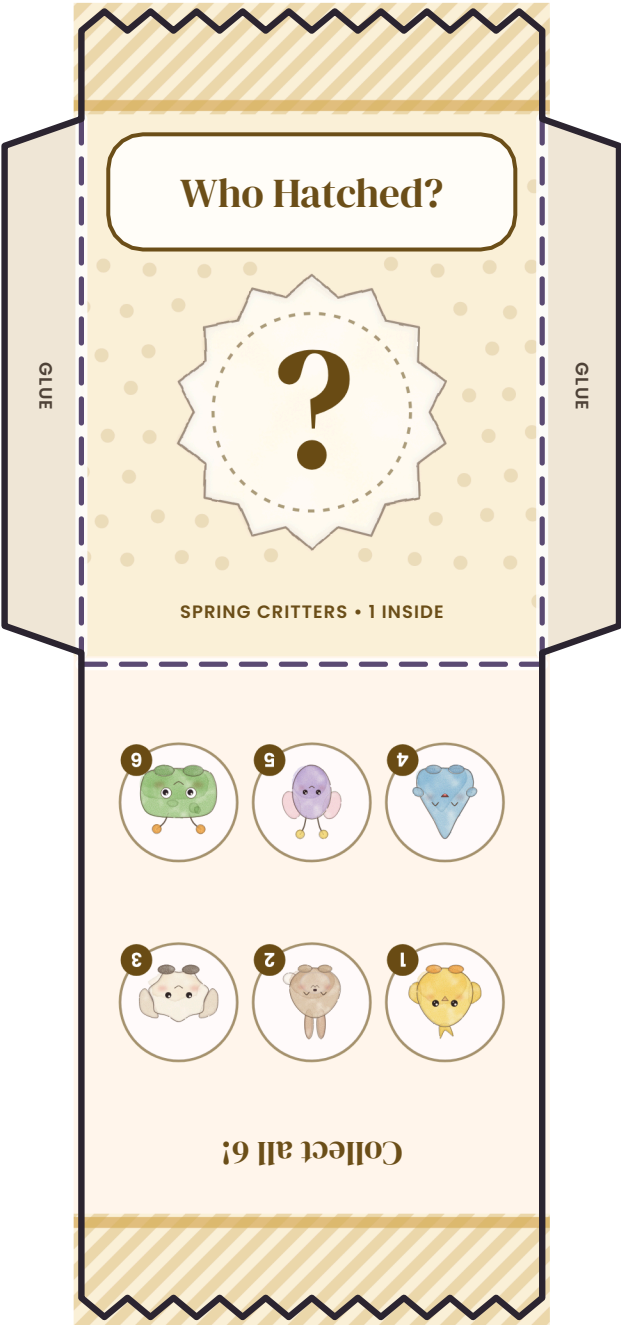


FINISHED

- 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.



Measure first



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