

JUDGES

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A TIME FOR WAR & A TIME FOR PEACE

FOCUS

JUDGES 6:12, 7:2, 10-11, 16, 20-21

After Joshua, the Lord set up Judges to save and lead the Israelites! Sometimes there was war, and sometimes there was peace!

MATERIALS

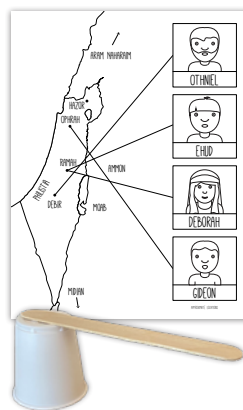
Judges coloring page (1 per child)
Gavel (1 per child)
Sword (1 per child)
Tambourine (1 per child)
Trumpet (1 per child)
Crayons, paint and markers

ACTIVITIES

1. OTHNIEL

TALK: The Israelites forgot the Lord and served idols, so the Lord let the king of Aram Naharaim rule over them for 8 years! When they cried out to the Lord for help, the Lord raised up Othniel as Israel's judge. He went to war and saved them! Then the Israelites had peace for 40 years!

ACTIVITY: Paint the **gavel**. Color Othniel on the map and have your Tiny Arrow run away from you for 8 seconds, stop and turn around and shout, then walk towards you for forty seconds to represent their time for running from Lord, turning back to the Lord, war and peace.



CORRESPONDING VERSE

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD CAME ON HIM, SO THAT HE BECAME ISRAEL'S JUDGE AND WENT TO WAR. THE LORD GAVE CUSHAN-RISHATHAIM KING OF ARAM INTO THE HANDS OF OTHNIEL, WHO OVERPOWERED HIM.

JUDGES 3:10

2. EHUD

TALK: The Israelites forgot the Lord and served idols again, so the Lord let the king of Moab rule over them for 18 years! When they cried out to the Lord for help, the Lord raised up Ehud as Israel's judge. He killed the king with a sword, then went to war and saved them! Then the Israelites had peace for 80 years!

ACTIVITY: Write "Ehud" on one side of the sword and color Ehud on the coloring page. Then have your Tiny Arrow run away from you for 18 seconds, stop and turn around and shout, then walk towards you for 80 seconds to represent their time for running from Lord, turning back to the Lord, war and peace.



AGAIN THE ISRAELITES CRIED OUT TO THE LORD, AND HE GAVE THEM A DELIVERER—EHUD, A LEFT-HANDED MAN, THE SON OF GERA THE BENJAMITE. THE ISRAELITES SENT HIM WITH TRIBUTE TO EGLON KING OF MOAB.

JUDGES 3:15

ACTIVITIES

3. DEBORAH

TALK: The Israelites forgot the Lord and served idols again, so the Lord let the king of Canaan rule over them for 20 years! They cried out to the Lord for help while Deborah was Israel's judge. At the Lord's command Deborah told Barak to go to war and he did and they were saved! They were so happy they sung a song! Then the Israelites had peace for 40 years!

ACTIVITY: Color the tambourine and sing the song below, then color Deborah on the coloring page. After, have your Tiny Arrow run away from you for 20 seconds, stop and turn around and shout, then walk towards you for 40 seconds to represent their time for running from Lord, turning back to the Lord, war and peace.

SONG:

The princes went to war!
The princes went to war!
Hear you kings, listen you rulers;
The princes went to war!



CORRESPONDING VERSE

ON THAT DAY DEBORAH AND BARAK SON OF ABINOAM SANG THIS SONG.

JUDGES 5:1

4. GIDEON

TALK: The Israelites forgot the Lord and served idols again, so the Lord let the king of Midian rule over them for 7 years! They cried out to the Lord for help and the Lord sent Gideon. Gideon and 300 men went to war with trumpets and torches in jars, defeated his enemies and they were saved! Then the Israelites had peace for 40 years!

ACTIVITY: Sound the trumpet, and color Gideon on the coloring page. Then have your Tiny Arrow run away from you for 7 seconds, stop and turn around and shout, then walk towards you for 40 seconds to represent their time for running from Lord, turning back to the Lord, war and peace.



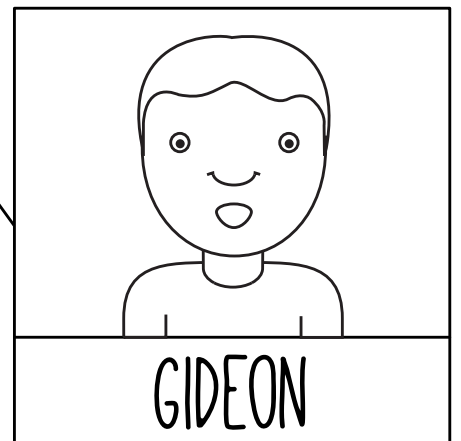
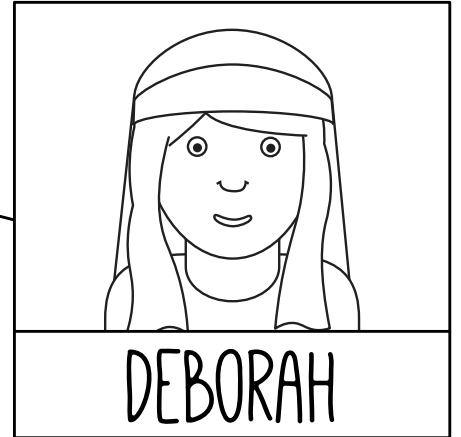
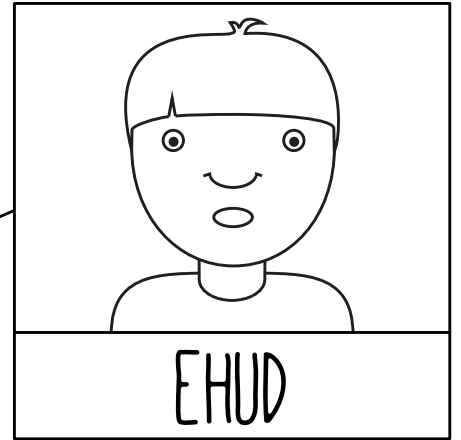
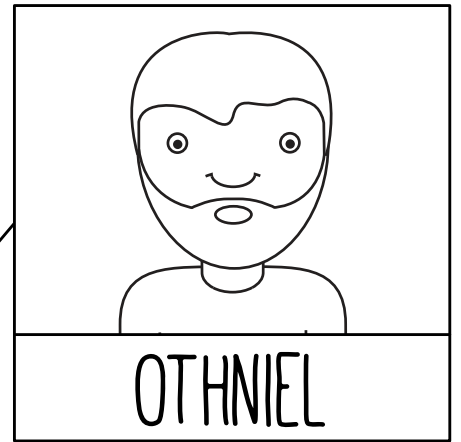
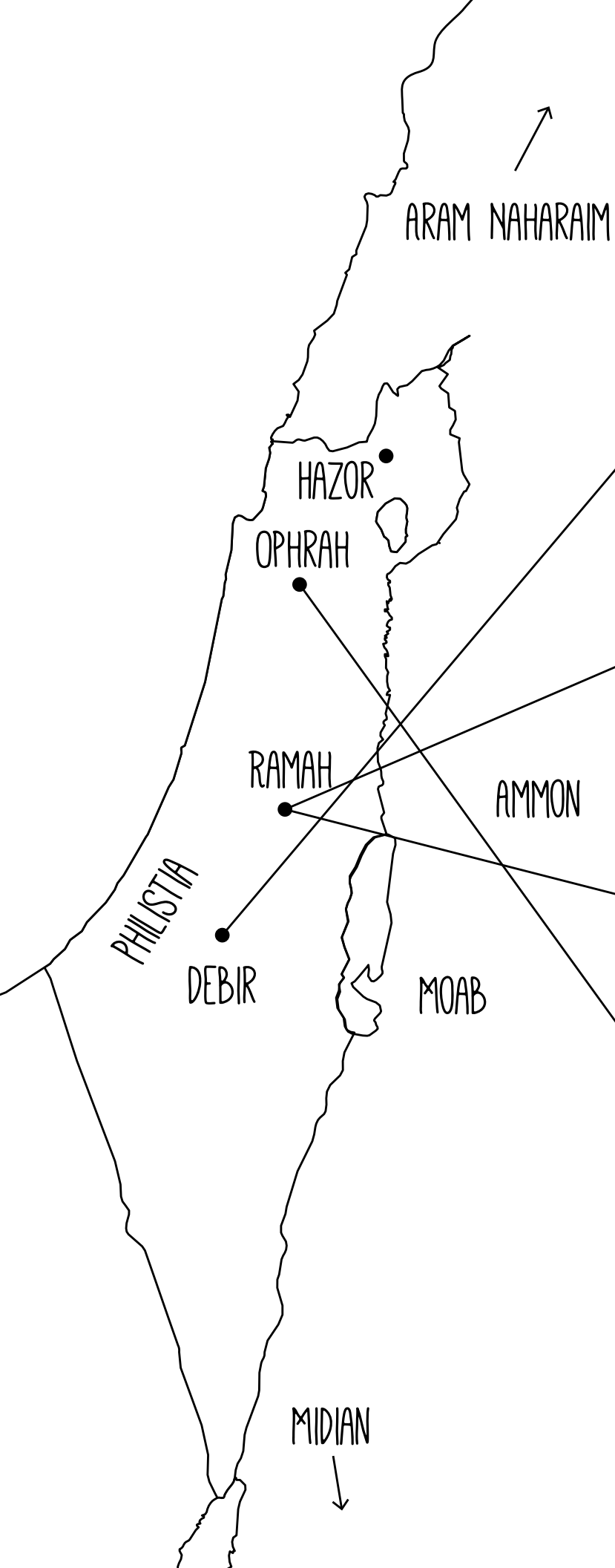
THUS MIDIAN WAS SUBDUED BEFORE THE ISRAELITES AND DID NOT RAISE ITS HEAD AGAIN.

JUDGES 8:28

OPTIONAL: Hand out each child a bible verse to take home.

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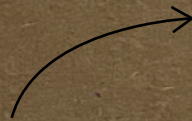


APPROXIMATE LOCATIONS

GAVEL



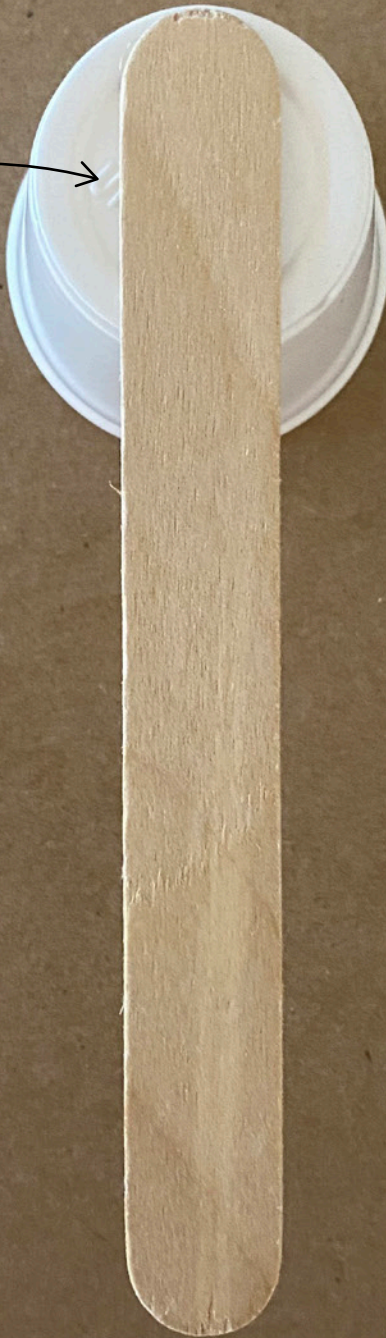
SMALL CUP



JUMBO POPSICLE STICK



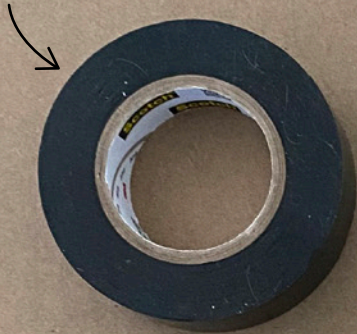
GAVEL



HOT GLUE GUN THE
JUMBO POPSICLE STICK
TO THE BOTTOM OF
THE CUP

SWORD

BLACK ELECTRICAL TAPE



1 GALLON PAINT STICK



*YOU WILL ALSO NEED
WHITE & GRAY PAINT¹
& A GLUE GUN

¹SPRAY PAINT OR CRAFT PAINT

2 JUMBO POPSICLE STICKS

DIRECTIONS

1. LIGHTLY SAND PAINT STICK WITH
120 SAND PAPER SO EDGES ARE
SMOOTH AND ROUNDED



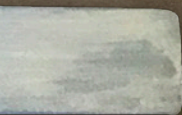
2. PRIME PAINT STICK WITH
2 COATS OF WHITE PAINT

(SAND WITH 220 SAND PAPER BETWEEN COATS)



3. PAINT STICK WITH 2 COATS
OF GRAY PAINT

(SAND WITH 220 SAND PAPER BETWEEN COATS
& WHEN FINISHED USE 400 SAND PAPER TO SMOOTH)



*OPTIONAL: ADD THIRD PAINT COAT
WITH SILVER PAINT

4. GLUE POPSICLE STICKS 5" FROM
THE EDGE OF THE SWORD
THEN WRAP WITH TAPE

1 STICK ON BOTTOM

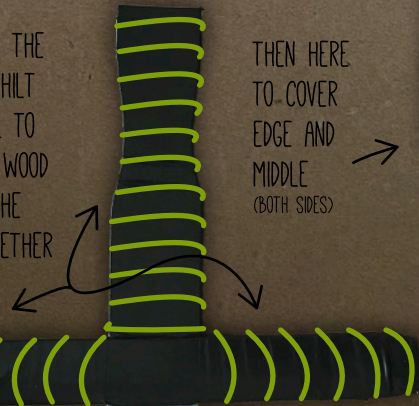


1 STICK ON TOP

WRAP HERE FIRST
TO COVER EDGE
(BOTH SIDES)



THEN WRAP THE
SIDES AND HILT
IN A SPIRAL TO
COVER ALL WOOD
AND BIND THE
STICKS TOGETHER



THEN HERE
TO COVER
EDGE AND
MIDDLE
(BOTH SIDES)



TAMBOURINE

PAPER PLATE

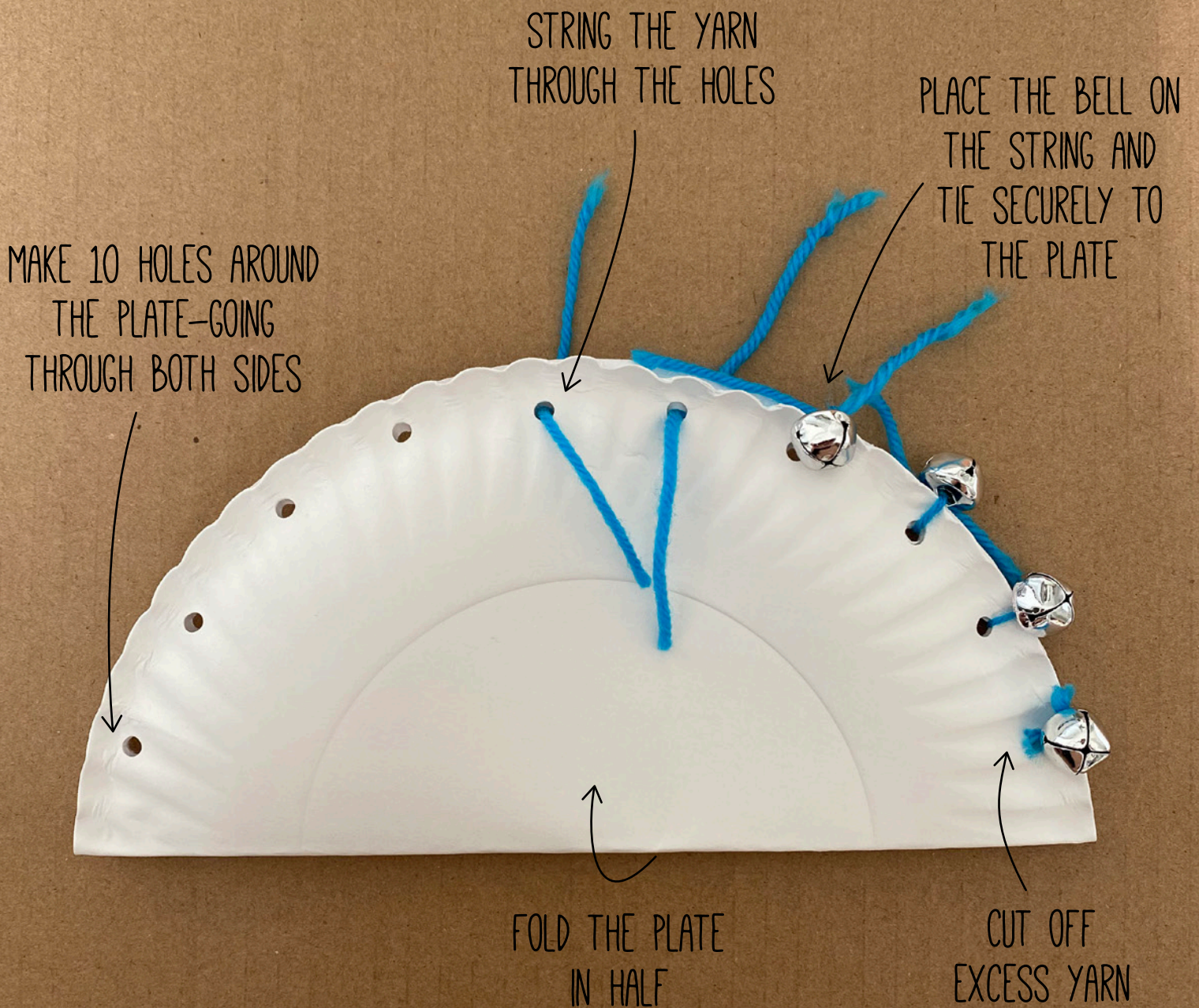


10 3"-4"
PIECES OF YARN



10 SMALL BELLS

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TRUMPET

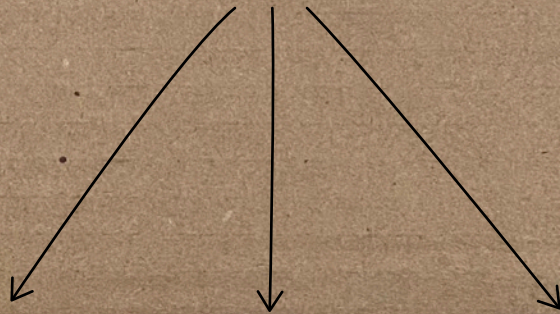
1 PARTY HORN



3 TOILET PAPER ROLLS

OR

1 PAPER TOWEL ROLLS CUT IN THIRDS

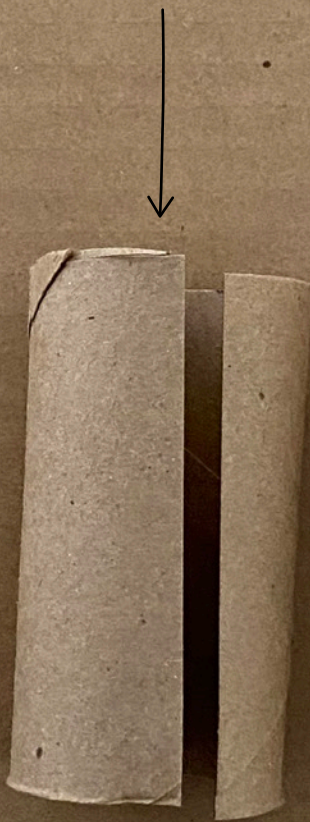


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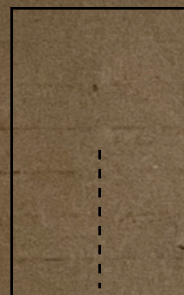
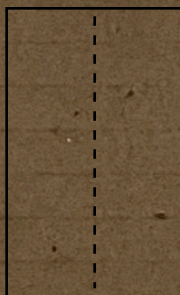
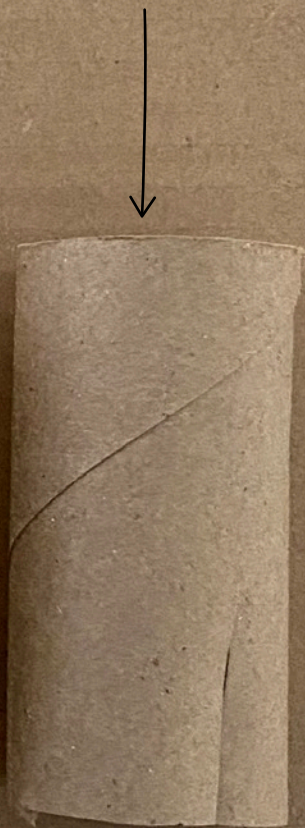
TAKE OFF
STREAMERS
FROM HORN



ROLL #1
CUT IN HALF



ROLL #2
CUT IN HALF HALFWAY



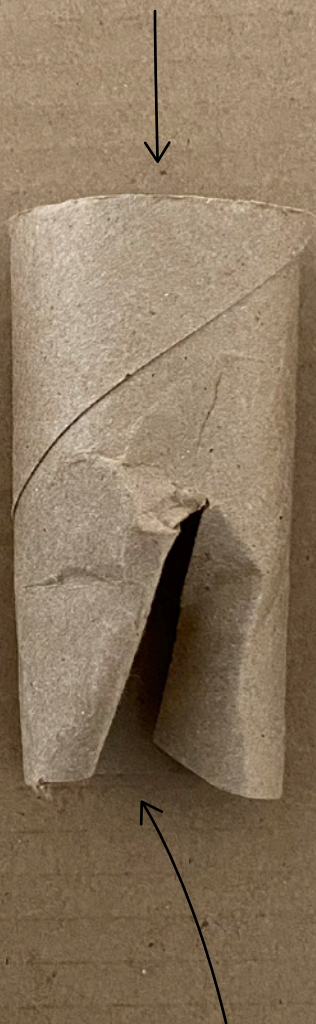
TRUMPET

ROLL #1
ROLL IN A CONE
FORMATION AROUND
THE MOUTH PIECE



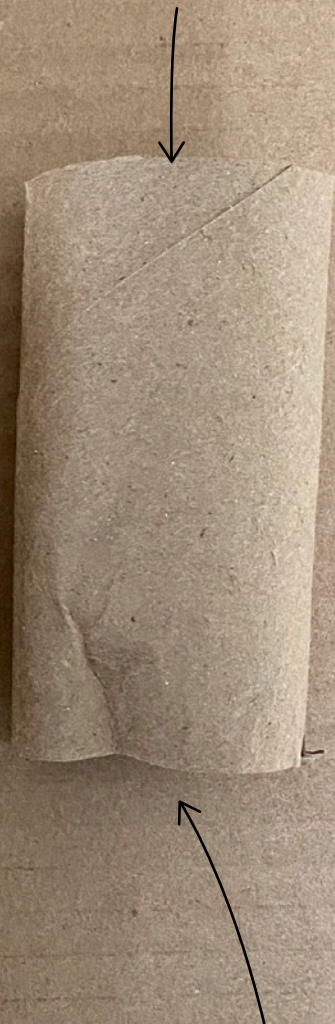
SECURE WITH
HOT GLUE

ROLL #2
TUCK THE FOLDED
PIECES IN



THIS WILL BE MANIPULATED TO
FIT IN THE CONE OF ROLL #1

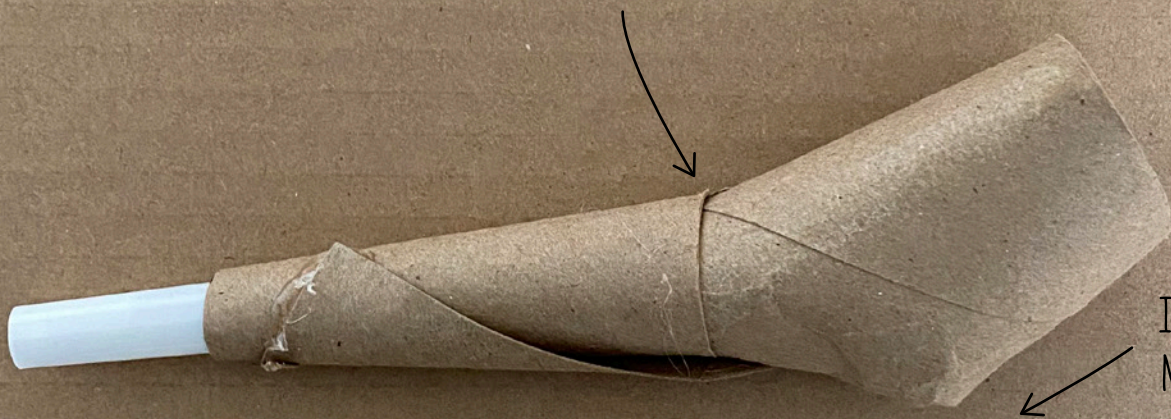
ROLL #3
GENTLY SQUEEZE
THE BOTTOM END



THIS WILL BE MANIPULATED TO
FIT IN THE TOP OF ROLL #2

TRUMPET

TUCKED END GOES INTO
THE CONE SHAPE



IT CREATES A
NATURAL BEND

SQUEEZED END GOES IN



PRESS DOWN TUCKED END
FROM THE INSIDE OF THE
ROLL TO KEEP THE SHAPE

TRUMPET

WRAP TAPE AROUND ROLLS



I USED BROWN ELECTRICAL TAPE WHICH IS VERY FLEXIBLE. YOU CAN USE ELECTRICAL TAPE, MASKING TAPE, OR ALL PURPOSE TAPE.

YOU HAVE THE OPTION OF TAPING IT TOGETHER AND PAINTING IT TOO!

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