



● Create one-of-a-kind tiger masks as unique as you are.

- No two tigers' stripes are exactly the same, just like no two kids are exactly the same. Use your imagination, your art supplies, and the drawing below to create a colorful tiger mask that is as unique as you are! Here are some additional fun facts about tigers.
 - The different stripe patterns can also be compared to how no two humans have identical fingerprints. In the same way that we can identify different people through fingerprint patterns, scientists can identify different tigers by their stripe patterns.
 - Tigers are the only large cat species to have distinctive striping on their hair AND skin.
 - Their whiskers are around six inches in length and are used to help them navigate in the dark and sense where to bite their prey.
 - Tigers have white circular spots on the backside of their ears. Some believe they function as “false eyes,” confusing a potential predator, while others believe the spots communicate aggression when tigers twist their ears around.
 - Tigers have about 30 teeth ranging from two to three inches in length

● Materials Needed

- Copies of the tiger mask template (included below)
- Coloring utensils: crayons, colored pencils, markers
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Elastic string
- Optional: pipe cleaners, tissue paper, recycled cardboard

● Instructions

- For extra support and durability, glue or tape recycled cardboard to the back of the mask template. Cut the mask template out carefully along the borders, remembering to cut out the eye holes. Adult assistance may be required, especially if you are having to cut through cardboard.
- Decorate the mask using the various coloring utensils. Use your imagination and use all kinds of unique colors and designs to create your own stripe patterns.
- If you wish, add other elements to the masks to make them even more unique. Use pipe cleaners (for whiskers), tissue paper (for fluffy fur or ears), etc.
- To complete the mask, punch holes where the black circles are marked on the template and add some elastic string to keep the mask in place.



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Be proud of your stripes!

