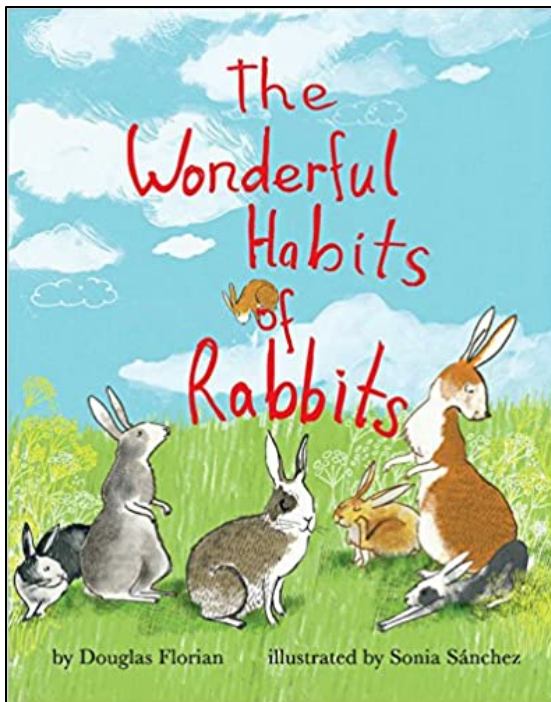


## Goodnow Library Children's Department Take-and-Make Activity Kit Week 5: Purrfect Pets!



### **Read It: *The Wonderful Habits of Rabbits***

by Douglas Florian and Sonia Sanchez

*“The habits of rabbits are many, not few, with plenty of things that they love to do!”* Follow a family of rabbits as they hop, leap, and explore the world through the seasons. At the end of the day as they get ready to say goodnight, discover the one habit that is not to be missed!!

Tune in to see Miss Amy on Facebook for *Tales from Drumlin Farm*, a virtual field trip to Mass Audubon Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary in Lincoln, MA! This week we'll meet rabbits and read *The Wonderful Habit of Rabbits* at the Farm!! Join Miss Amy online at [facebook.com/goodnowlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/goodnowlibrary) and [tinyurl.com/GoodnowYouTube](https://www.tinyurl.com/GoodnowYouTube)

### **Did You Know? Five Fun Facts about RABBITS!**

1. Rabbits are mammals with large front teeth and a short tail and have long back legs that help the rabbit jump. They have very long ears and good hearing so they can listen out for predators.
2. Massachusetts is home to two species of wild rabbit—the native New England Cottontail and the non-native Eastern Cottontail.
3. Rabbits eat plants and vegetables including grass, bark, twigs, and buds. Rabbits prefer to eat tender young shoots—clover, dandelions, prized tulips. In the vegetable garden, their favorites include lettuce, beans, and beets, and they also enjoy strawberries, raspberries, and blackberries.
4. A rabbit's teeth never stop growing! Instead, they're gradually worn down as the rabbit chews.
5. Rabbits are most active in the hours of dawn and dusk. That's called crepuscular!



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### Activity Instruction Sheet

Thanks for picking up an Activity Kit this week! We hope you have fun with the "Purrfect Pets"! Most items needed for the enclosed activities are included, however some supplies are needed from home. **This week you will need: liquid glue (like Elmer's) or a glue stick, tape, markers, and scissors!**

#### 3D Paper Cat

Make a sassy 3D cat out of paper! Here's how:

- Color in your kitty – especially its ears, nose, eyes, and mouth!
- Cut out all the parts from the template.
- Apply glue to the portion of the head marked 'glue' then roll it into a loop and let dry. You can also use tape!
- Gently flatten the loop so you can make two cuts along the dashed lines - the lines are shaped like a "+" sign - at the bottom of the head.
- Fold the ear pieces at the dashed lines then glue them to the top of the head.
- Apply glue to the section of the body marked 'glue', then roll the body into a cone shape and let dry.
- Apply a small amount of glue to the top of the cone and poke it through the opening in the bottom of the head.
- Glue the tail the back of the cat and the feet to the bottom. *Purr*-fect work!



#### Hopping Bunny

Create a beautiful bouncing bunny to join you playing in the summer sun! Let's hop to it:

- Slide the two rubber bands through the pre-cut slots on one of the cups, creating a criss-cross on the top of the cup. The knots on the ends will keep them in place!
- On the cup with the rubber bands, make the bunny's face by gluing on the pink nose and googly eyes. Use a marker to draw a mouth and whiskers.
- Glue the bunny's pink and white ears on the bottom of the cup.
- Help your bunny practice hopping by stacking the decorated cup on top of the other cup, pressing down, and letting go! How high can your bunny hop?



## Towel Pets: Puppy and Rabbit

Make yourself some cute and cuddly friends out of towels to snuggle up with as you read!

First, let's make the puppy: woof woof! Find the bag with the brown towel inside.

Step 1: Lay the towel out flat and roll each side inward until they meet in the middle. Then fold the rolled towel in half with rolls showing on the outside.

Step 2: Holding the rolled towel fold-side up, wrap an elastic band around the bottom third of the roll to make the dog's legs.

Step 3: Divide the portion of the towel above the rubber band in two and tie off the front portion with another rubber band to make the dog's nose.

Step 4: Glue the googly eyes to the portion of the head above the nose.

Step 5: Glue on the felt nose, tongue, and two ears. Meet your newest furry friend!



Next, let's make the bunny! Find the bag with the white towel inside!

Step 1: Lay the towel out flat. Fold the towel in half diagonally, then roll it from the fold to the other end, making a snake shape. Fold the rolled towel in half.

Step 2: Fold the loose end of the towel upwards for the ears. Make the head by bunching the folded part below the ears and secure with an elastic band.

Step 3: Tie the ribbon around the elastic band to give your bunny a beautiful bow!

Step 4: Glue on the eyes, pom-pom nose, and cotton ball tail. Your new bunny friend is done and ready to cuddle!



See these websites for more help making your towel pets:

<https://www.hellowonderful.co/post/how-to-make-a-towel-dog/>

<http://www.diyhometutorials.com/gifts/diy-towel-bunny-tutorial/>

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**D-I-Y Supply List**

**3D Paper Cat:**

Print paper template (attached)

**Hopping Bunny:**

2 paper cups

2 elastic bands cut with scissors and pre-knotted at both ends. We used size 16 elastic bands which are 2 ½" long – 5" long when cut with scissors. When knotted, the bands are approximately 4" long.

Items to decorate your bunny: white and pink construction paper for ears, pink construction paper for a nose, 2 wiggle eyes, plus a cotton ball for a tail

**Puppy Towel Pets:**

1 light brown washcloth

2 elastic bands. We used size 16 which are 2 ½" long.

Black felt for ears and a nose

Red felt for a tongue

Wiggle eyes

**Rabbit Towel Pets:**

1 white washcloth

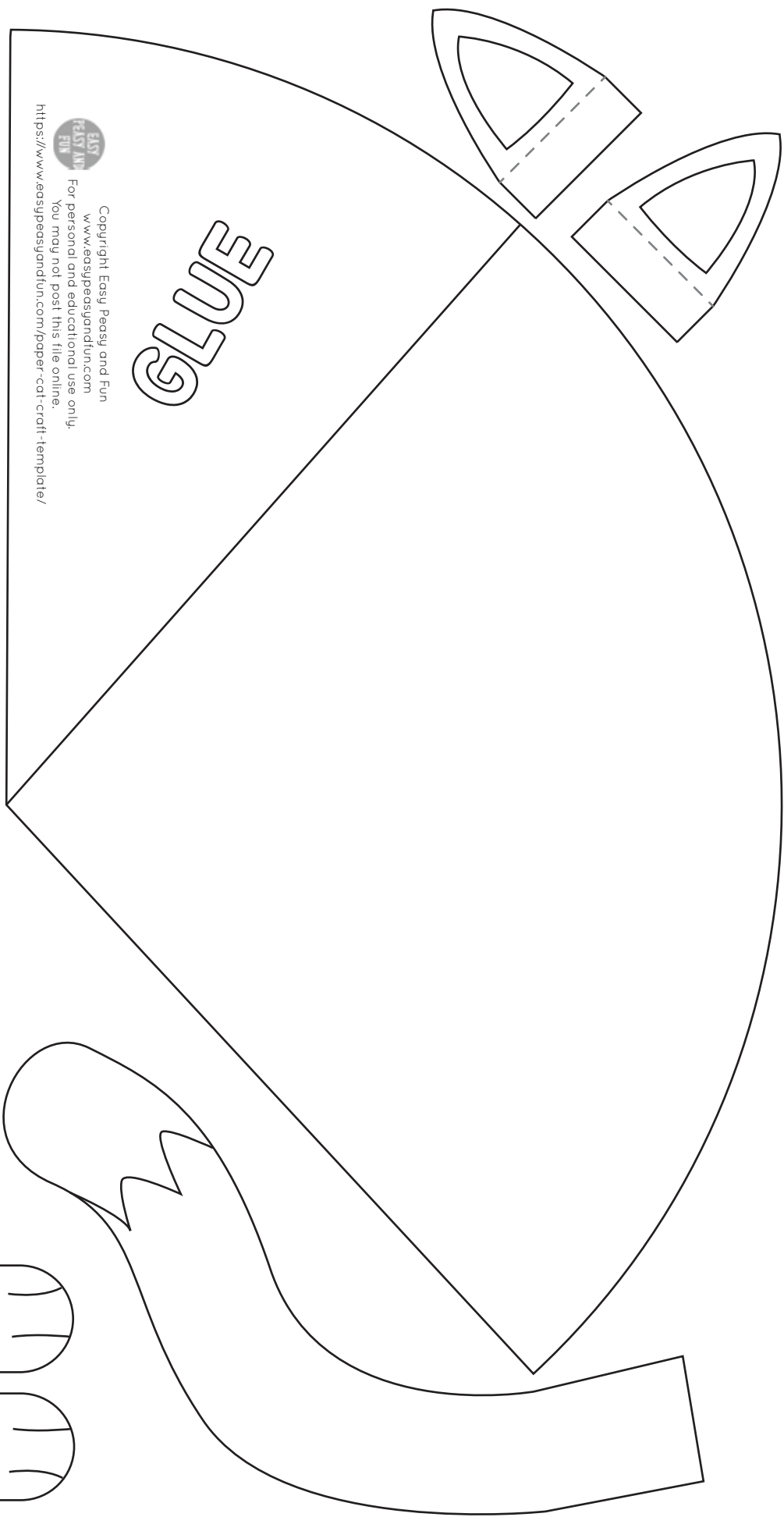
1 elastic band. We used size 16 which is 2 ½" long.

Ribbon

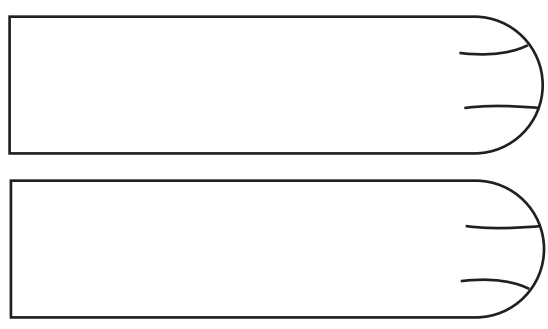
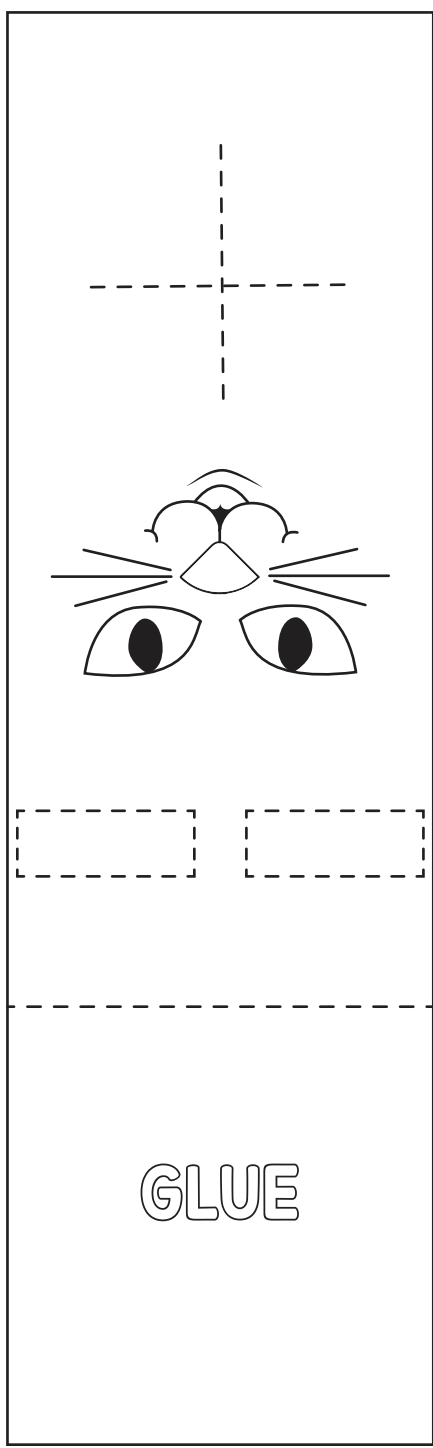
Pink pompom for the nose

Cotton ball for the tail

Wiggle eyes



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## Take-and-Make Craft Kit Week 5: Purrfect Pets!

### Craft Instruction Sheet

Thanks for picking up a Craft Kit this week! We hope you have fun with your "Purrfect Pets!" Most of the items needed for the crafts are included in the kit. **The supplies needed from home this week are a glue stick or liquid glue (like Elmer's), tape, plus markers or crayons.**

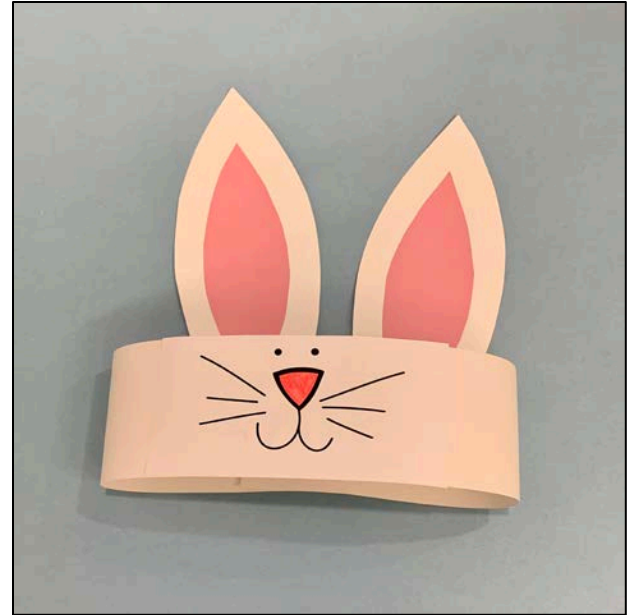
#### Bunny Ear Crown

Find the bag with the white and pink paper inside. Inside is everything you need to make a Bunny Ear Crown!

**First...**Color in the bunny's nose using marker or crayon. Then glue or tape the paper with the bunny's face onto the middle of the longer strip of white paper. Measure the perfect size for your crown around your head and tape or glue the ends together to make it a circle!

**Next...**Glue the pink insides of the ears onto the white outsides. Glue or tape them to the back of the crown.

**Last...**Glue the cotton ball tail on the back of your crown. You're all done! Get ready to hop like a bunny and burrow into a cozy nook to read!



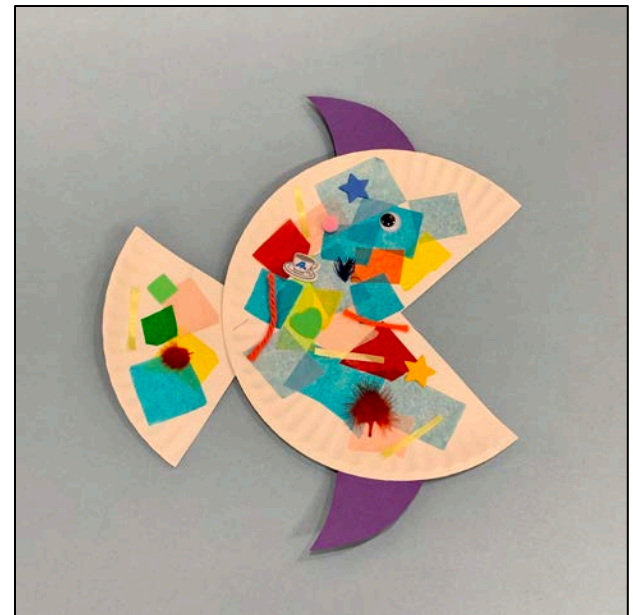
#### Rainbow Fish Collage

Find the bag with the colorful pieces of tissue paper and get ready to make a colorful rainbow fish!

**First...**Glue or tape the purple fins on the top and bottom of the paper plate body.

**Next...**Find the hodgepodge of colorful materials in the bag and glue the decorations on your fish! Will your fish have tissue paper? Foam? Yarn? Pom poms?

**Last....**Help your fish know where to swim by gluing on its eye! You're "o-fish-ally" done with your rainbow fish – time for a swim!



If you make any of these projects, send us an email with a picture to [children@sudbury.ma.us](mailto:children@sudbury.ma.us)! We'd love to see your awesome craft projects!