

Kids Explore!



Illustrate a Nature Frame

Use nature to illustrate a simple cardboard frame.

Materials

- ◆ A recycled piece of cardboard — a cereal box is perfect
- ◆ Scissors
- ◆ Markers (optional)
- ◆ A camera (your phone is fine)

1. Find or cut out a piece of cardboard about the size and shape of a cereal box. Be sure that one side has no markings.
2. Draw a simple shape on your cardboard. A few easy ideas to try include a flower, a leaf, a butterfly, a fish, or a ladybug.
3. Cut out your shape. This will be your frame.
4. If you would like to add details to your

frame, draw them onto your cardboard with markers.

5. Take your finished frame outside and hold it up against different natural backgrounds.
6. Be creative and use the backgrounds you find to illustrate your shape. Or see if you can find a background that contrasts dramatically with your shape. When you like how you've illustrated your frame, take a photo.
7. Print your favorites and give them as gifts or make cards!

**Note: See <https://bit.ly/3fxubw0> for the origin of this really cool project....plus other fun ideas!*

