Kids Explore!

Make Garden Pop-Up Cards

Use paper and your imagination to grown a garden!

Materials

- One piece of heavy-weight cardstock paper
- Several more pieces of paper, regular or heavy-weight is fine
- Markers, crayons, or paints
- Glue
- Scissors
- Recycled magazines with garden or nature pictures (optional)

Adult help may be needed on steps with a ❖.

1. Fold your cardstock in half.

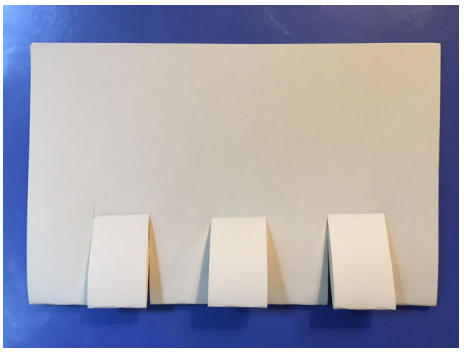
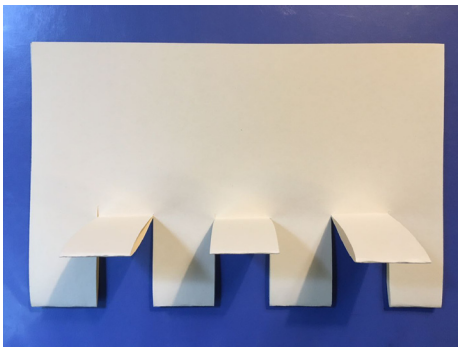
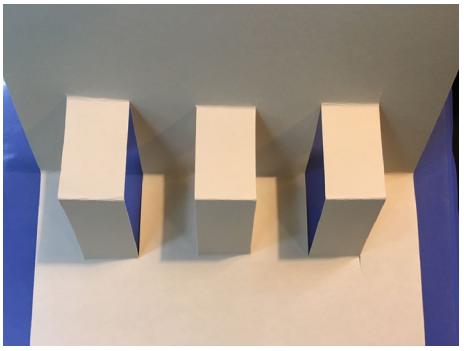
2. Draw six lines on the paper from the fold side up about 1 1/2 inches. Cut each of these lines.

❖ 3. Your paper now has seven “teeth”! Fold tooth numbers two, four, and six up, and then back the other way and then crease them sharply.

❖ 4. Open your whole piece of paper and “pop” out tooth sections two, four, and six so they look like little chairs. Sharply crease them again so they stay popped out.

5. On your other paper, draw or paint flowers, birds, butterflies, or other garden plants and critters. Your art should be small enough to fit on the popped out card sections. (You can also find pictures in old magazines instead.)

6. Cut out your pictures and glue them to the front of the popped out card sections.

7. Decorate the top and/or bottom of your card to create a full habitat for your garden dwellers!

8. Glue a plain piece of paper to the back of the card to cover the popped out holes. Decorate this outside paper for a special person or holiday! What a fun surprise the person you give your card to will find hidden inside!