



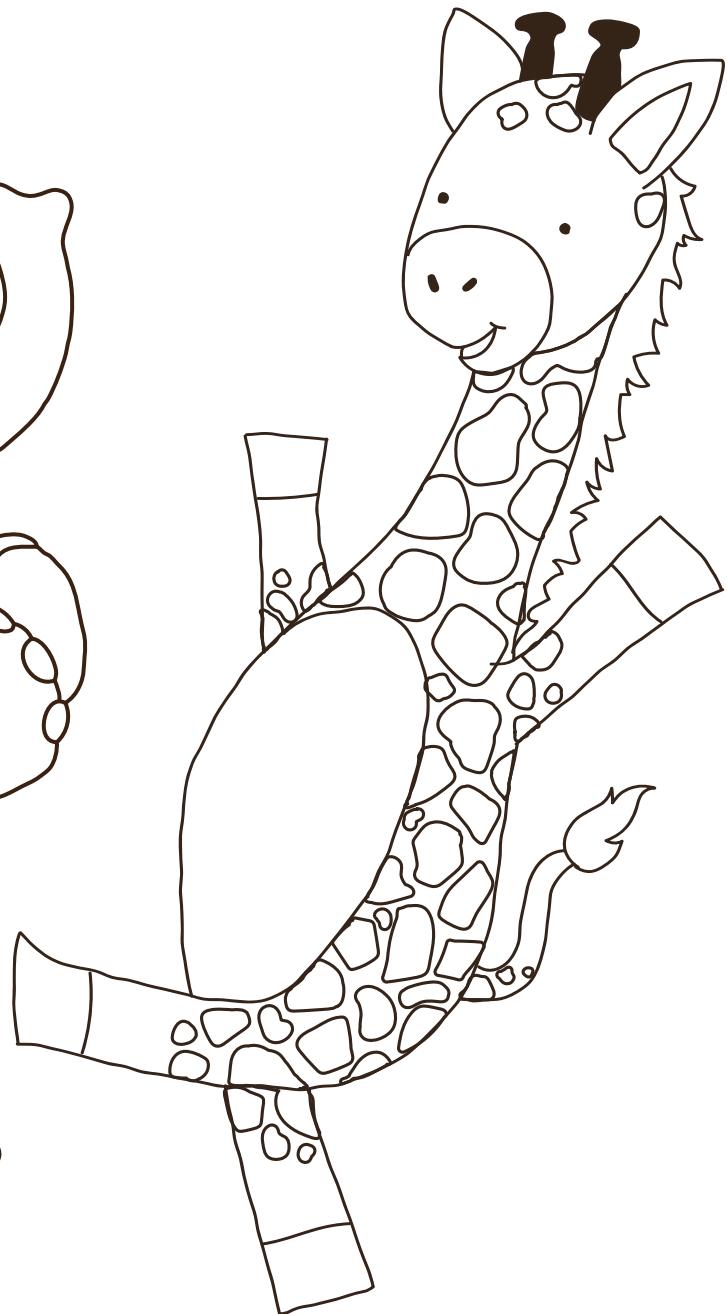
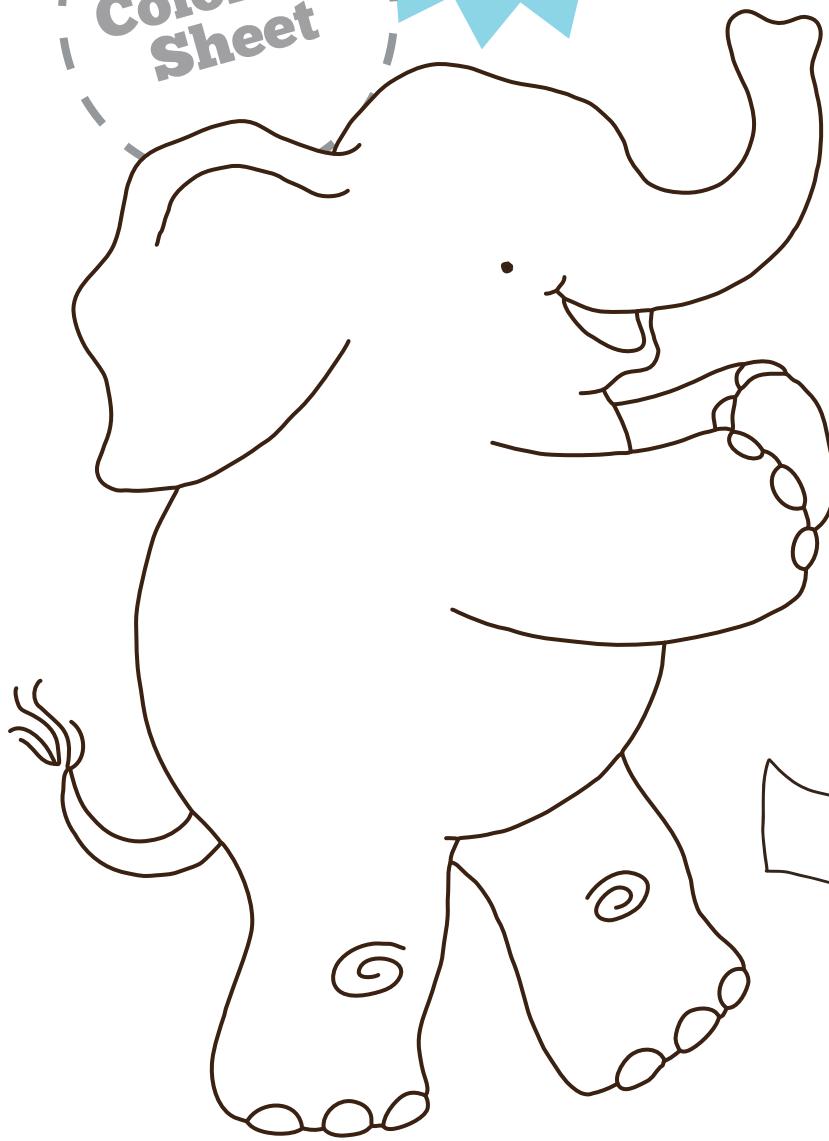
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# Sports & Games Pack

Play  
With a  
Purpose

Coloring  
Sheet



# • Spot the Sport! •

You and your child will delight in playing "eye-spy" in this sports game where little ones are encouraged to find the sports equipment. This easy and fun printable encourages them to visually differentiate and count the elements on the page.



Find and count the pieces of equipment and help your child write the number in the space provided.



## 3 Matching Letter Shapes 13 Counting

 **bikes** \_\_\_\_\_



skis & poles \_\_\_\_\_



 soccer balls \_\_\_\_\_



 rackets \_\_\_\_\_



bats \_\_\_\_\_

 sneakers \_\_\_\_\_



ice skates



bowling pins \_\_\_\_\_



 **pom-poms** \_\_\_\_\_



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# DIY Pennants

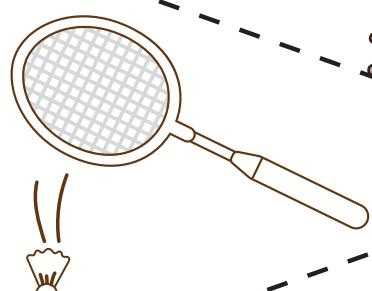
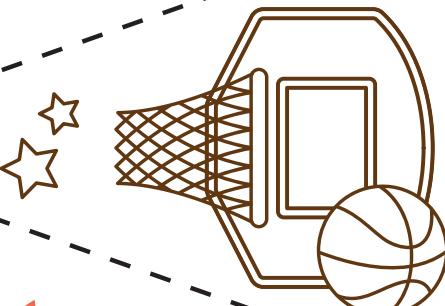
Help your child make their own sports pennants that can be hung in a bedroom, classroom, or family library. Your child can personalize the pennants by coloring them in and writing their first name!

(NAME)

you're  
a good  
sport!

in my  
book!  
You're  
#1

(NAME)



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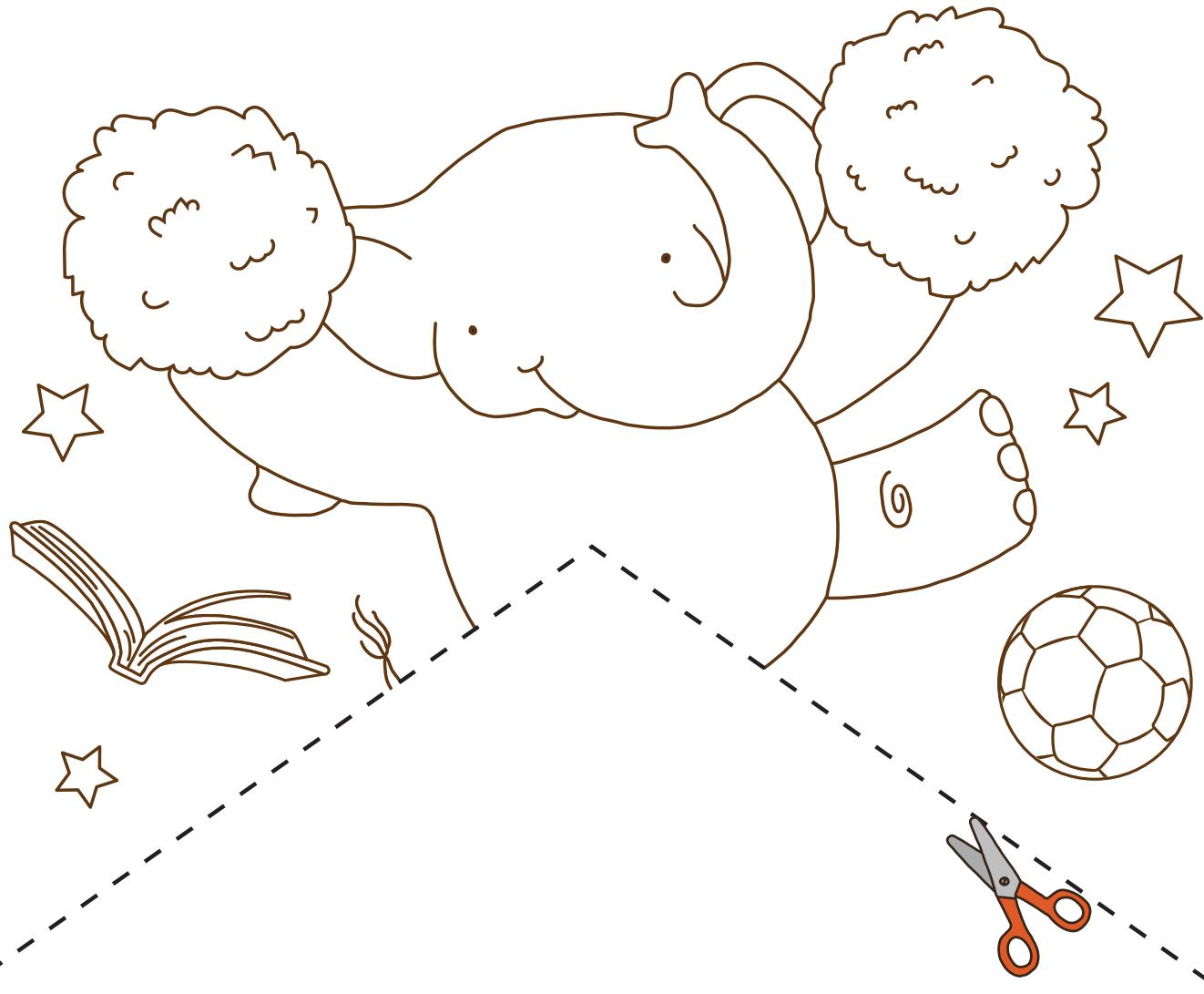


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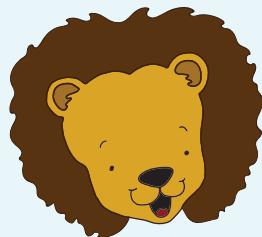
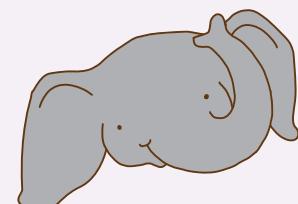
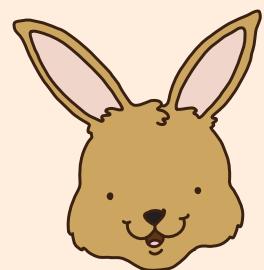
(NAME),

**on your mark,  
get set, READ!**



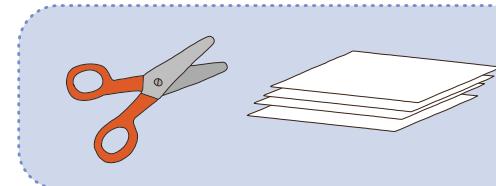
# • ANIMAL MATCHING GAME •

This animal matching game is great for playing together. Matching games provide preschoolers with the opportunity to practice focus, memory, and matching skills.



## What you'll need:

- Scissors
- 8 1/2 x 11 white paper (for printing)



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAREGIVER AND CHILD:

1. Print out the Animal Matching Game.
2. Cut out each card along the dotted lines. If your child can cut by themselves, ask them to practice their scissor skills by cutting out the cards. If they are not ready to use scissors, you can hold their hand and cut the cards together.
3. Now you are ready to Play With a Purpose. Place each individual card face down and mix them up.
4. Flip over one card and then flip over another. If they match, pull the cards to the side. If they don't, turn both cards back over.
5. Then it is the next player's turn.
6. Keep playing until all pairs of cards are matched. Everyone wins when you play together! The time spent playing together reinforces important skills and strengthens your connection.

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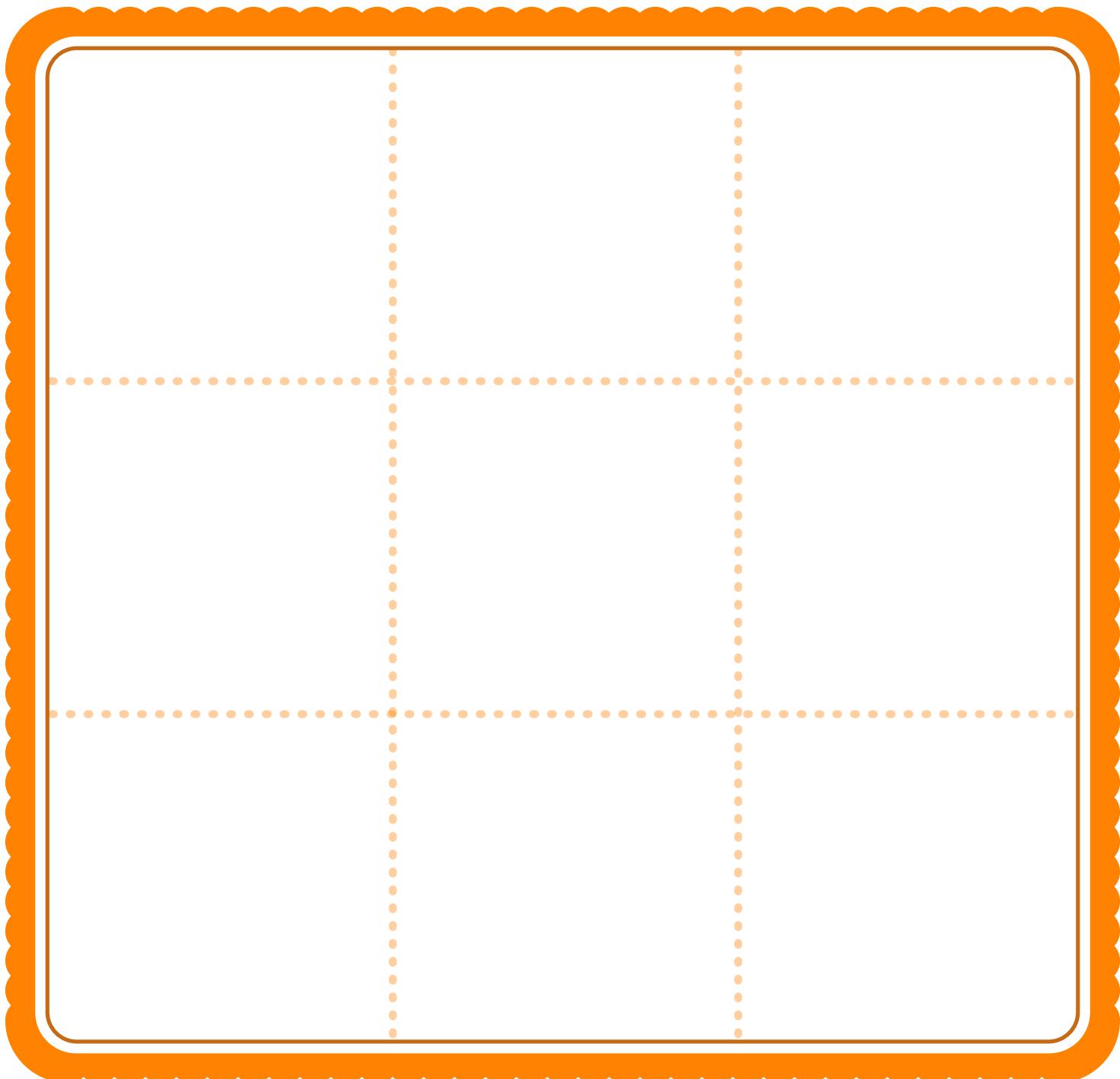




# Tic-Tac-Toe

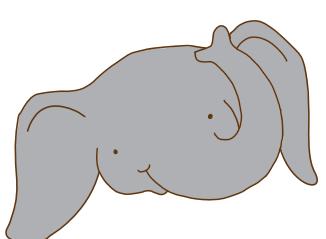
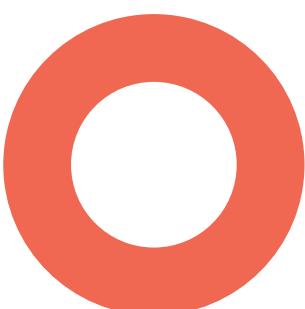
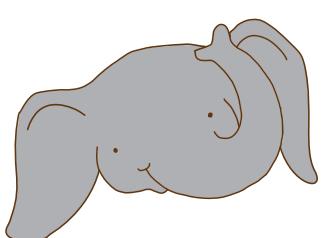
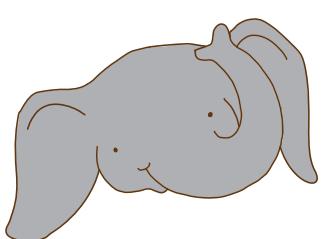
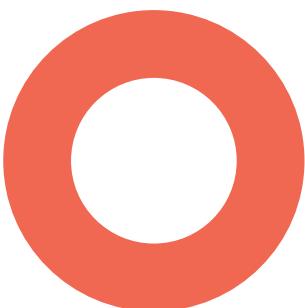
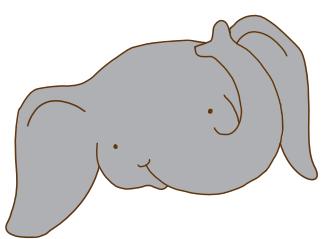
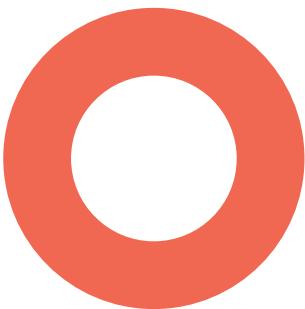
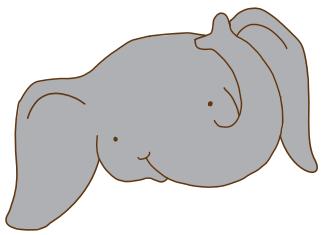
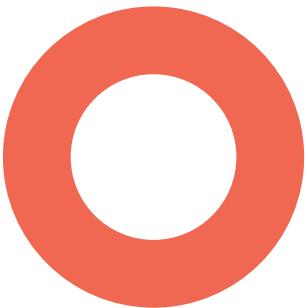
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Tic-Tac-Toe is a delightful way to practice strategic thinking, following directions, and taking turns. Help your child cut out the game pieces, choose their preference of X's and O's or characters, and play the first piece in the square of their choosing. Players take turns placing their pieces in empty squares. The first player to get three pieces in a row (down, across, or diagonally) wins!



16 Recognizing Geometric Shapes  
21 Knowing Spatial Relationships  
24 Following Directions

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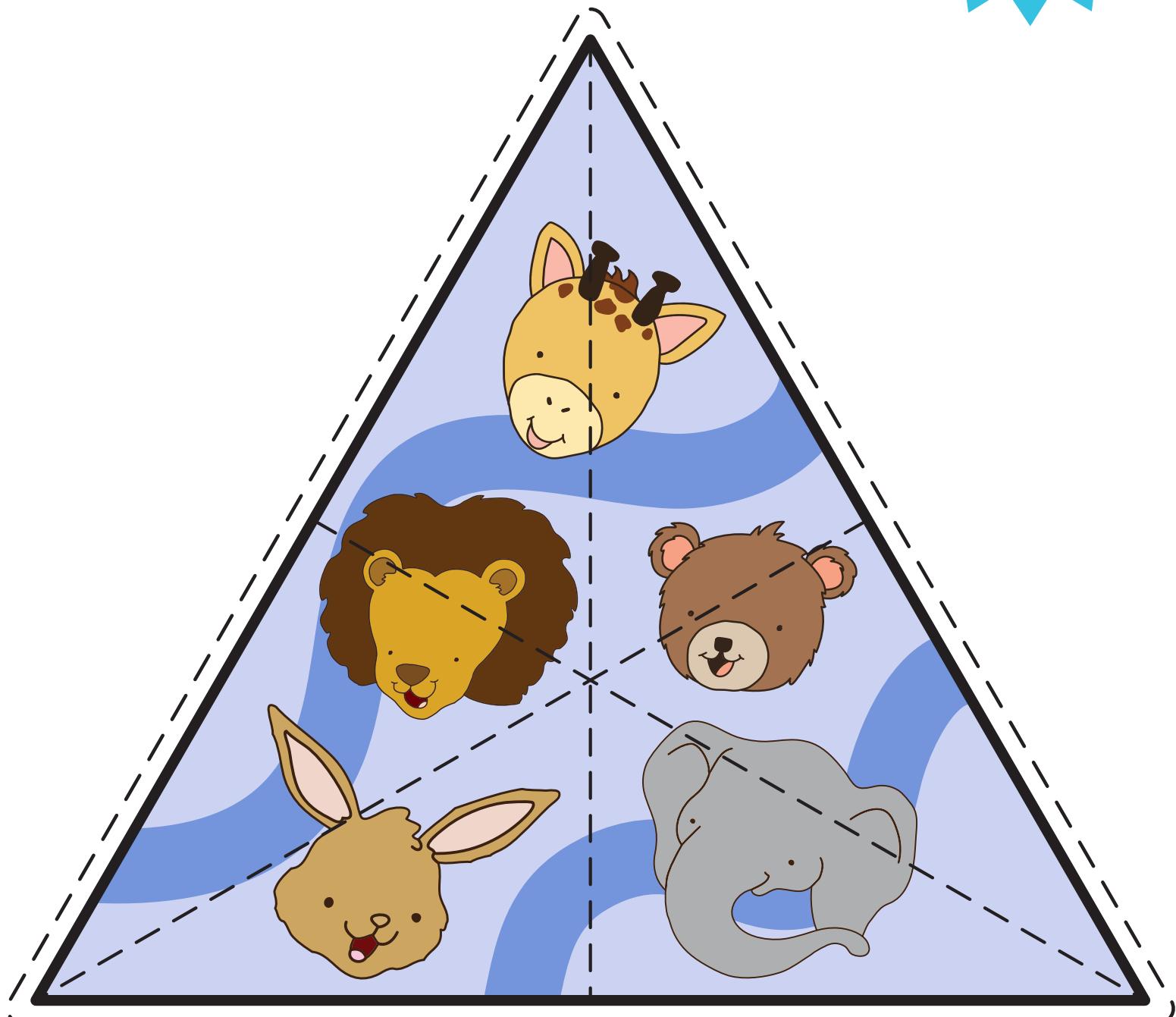


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# Animal Triangle Puzzle

When you play together using this Animal Triangle Puzzle, you and your child can practice problem solving, matching images, and putting together parts of an item to make a whole. Cut out the pieces, mix them up, and put them back together!

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18 Sorting Items  
21 Knowing Spatial Relationships



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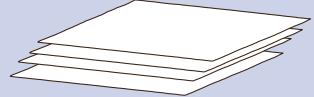
# • Whirlybird Game •

This schoolyard favorite—the Whirlybird Game—is an interactive way to incorporate counting, colors, movement, and following directions into you and your child's 10 minutes of daily Play With a Purpose! Print, fold, and play!

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAREGIVER AND CHILD:

### What you'll need:

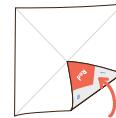
- Scissors • 8 1/2 x 11 paper



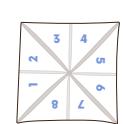
1. Print and cut out the Whirlybird along the dotted lines. If your child can cut by themselves, ask them to practice their scissor skills. If they are not ready to use scissors, you can hold their hand and cut the paper together.



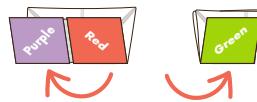
2. Turn over the paper so the artwork is facedown. Fold each corner into the middle so you can read the colors and numbers.



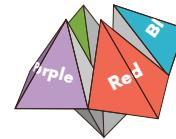
3. Turn over the paper so the character movement artwork is faceup. Fold each corner into the middle so you can read the numbers.



4. Carefully, fold the Whirlybird in half so that Purple and Red are on one side and Blue and Green are on the other side. Then fold the Whirlybird in half again, so that the Blue and Green are the only colors showing. Then open the Whirlybird so that you are seeing all eight numbers again.



5. From underneath the Whirlybird, slowly, put your thumbs and index fingers into the four colored corners to pop out the Whirlybird into a three-dimensional shape.



**How to Play With a Purpose:** Insert your thumbs and index fingers under the Whirlybird into the pyramid flaps. Ask your child to pick a color. Then open and close the flaps spelling out each letter of the color that your child has selected. On the last letter open the Whirlybird to reveal the numbers. Ask your child to pick a number. Then open and close the flaps counting out the number. Next, ask your child to pick a new number. Open the number flap to reveal the activity for your child to perform. Fold the numbered flap back into the Whirlybird to play again.

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- 17 Naming Colors
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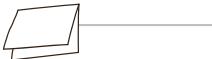
# • Whirlybird Game •



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CUTTING LINE



FOLDING LINE

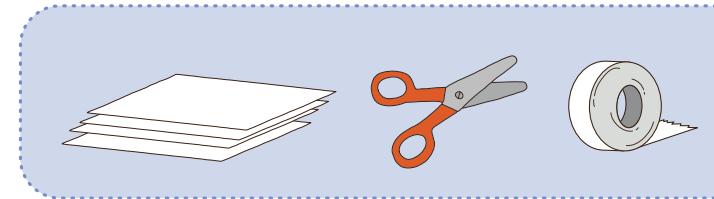
# AMAZING ANIMALS BOARD GAME



Play With a Purpose with your child with this easy-to-play board game. Your child will learn the names of five different animals as well as the colors of the rainbow, in addition to following directions. It's fun for the whole family!

## What you'll need:

- 8½ x 11 white cardstock paper or regular paper (for printing)
- Scissors
- Tape



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAREGIVER AND CHILD:

1. Print out the Amazing Animals game board, cards, and animal pieces.
2. Cut out the playing cards and animal pieces. If your child can cut by themselves, ask them to practice their scissor skills by cutting out the playing cards and animal pieces. If they are not ready to use scissors, you can hold their hand and cut the pieces together.
3. Help your child fold the bottom of the animal game pieces and tape the bottom to create a stand.
4. Have your child tape the two game boards together. Trim the edges as necessary to align the two pieces of the board together.

## Now you are ready to Play With a Purpose!

1. Ask the players to each choose an animal game piece and place it on Start.
2. Have the youngest player begin by pulling a card from the top of the pile and moving their piece to the corresponding color.
3. Going clockwise, have the next player do the same.
4. Follow the directions on the cards until each player reaches The End.

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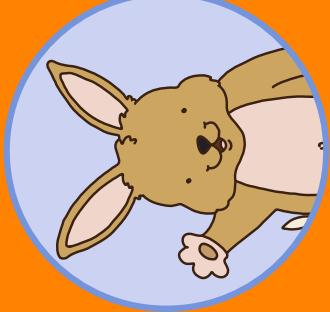
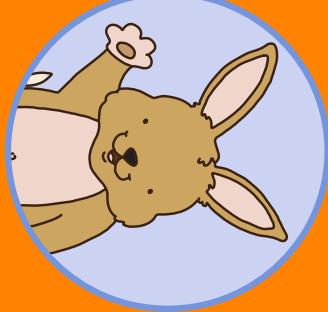


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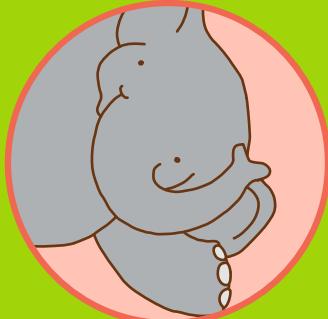
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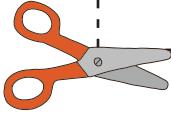


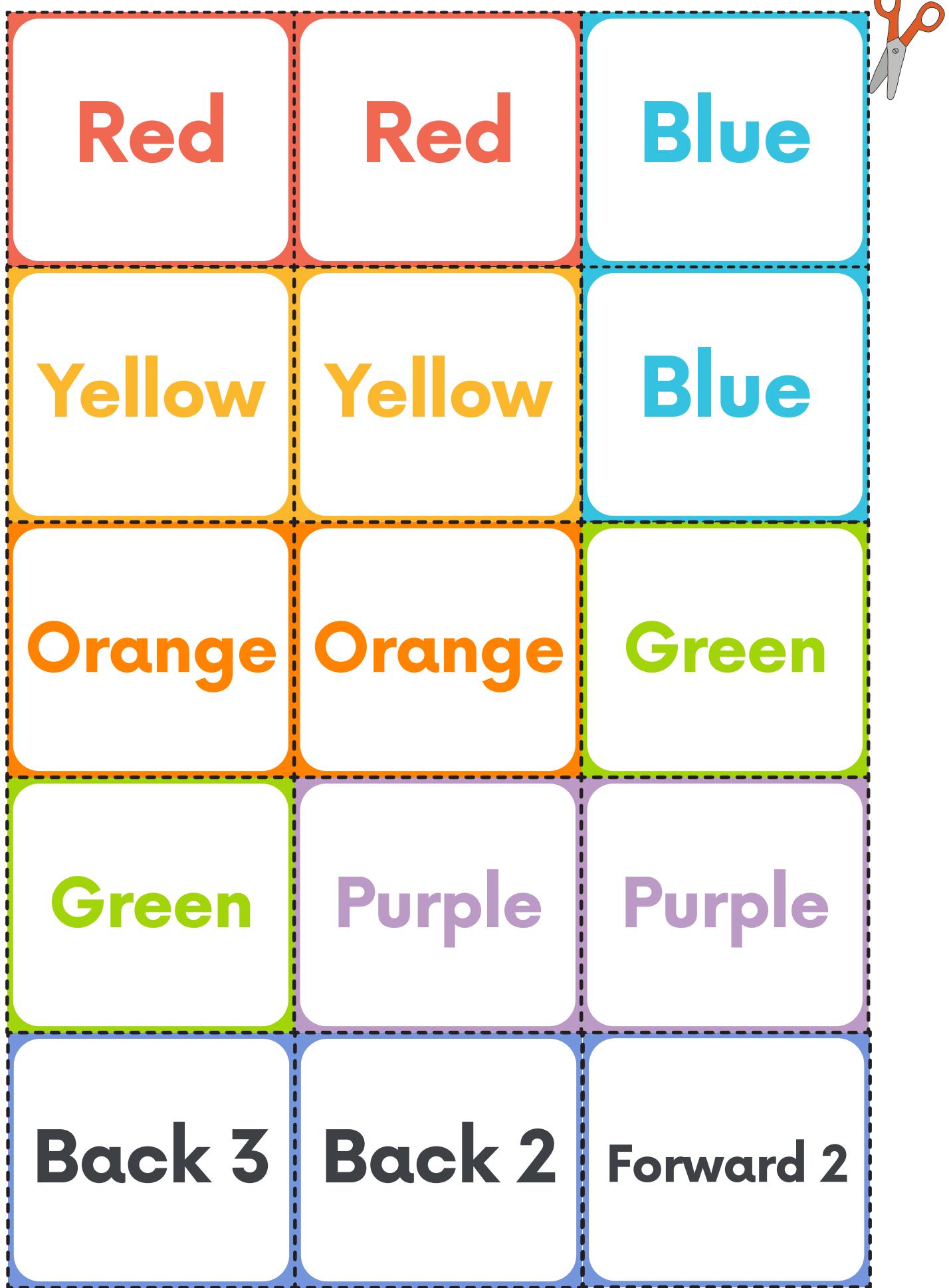
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TAPE







**Red**

**Red**

**Blue**

**Yellow**

**Yellow**

**Blue**

**Orange**

**Orange**

**Green**

**Green**

**Purple**

**Purple**

**Forward 3**

**Skip Next Player**

**Reverse**



**Red**

**Red**

**Blue**

**Yellow**

**Yellow**

**Blue**

**Orange**

**Orange**

**Green**

**Green**

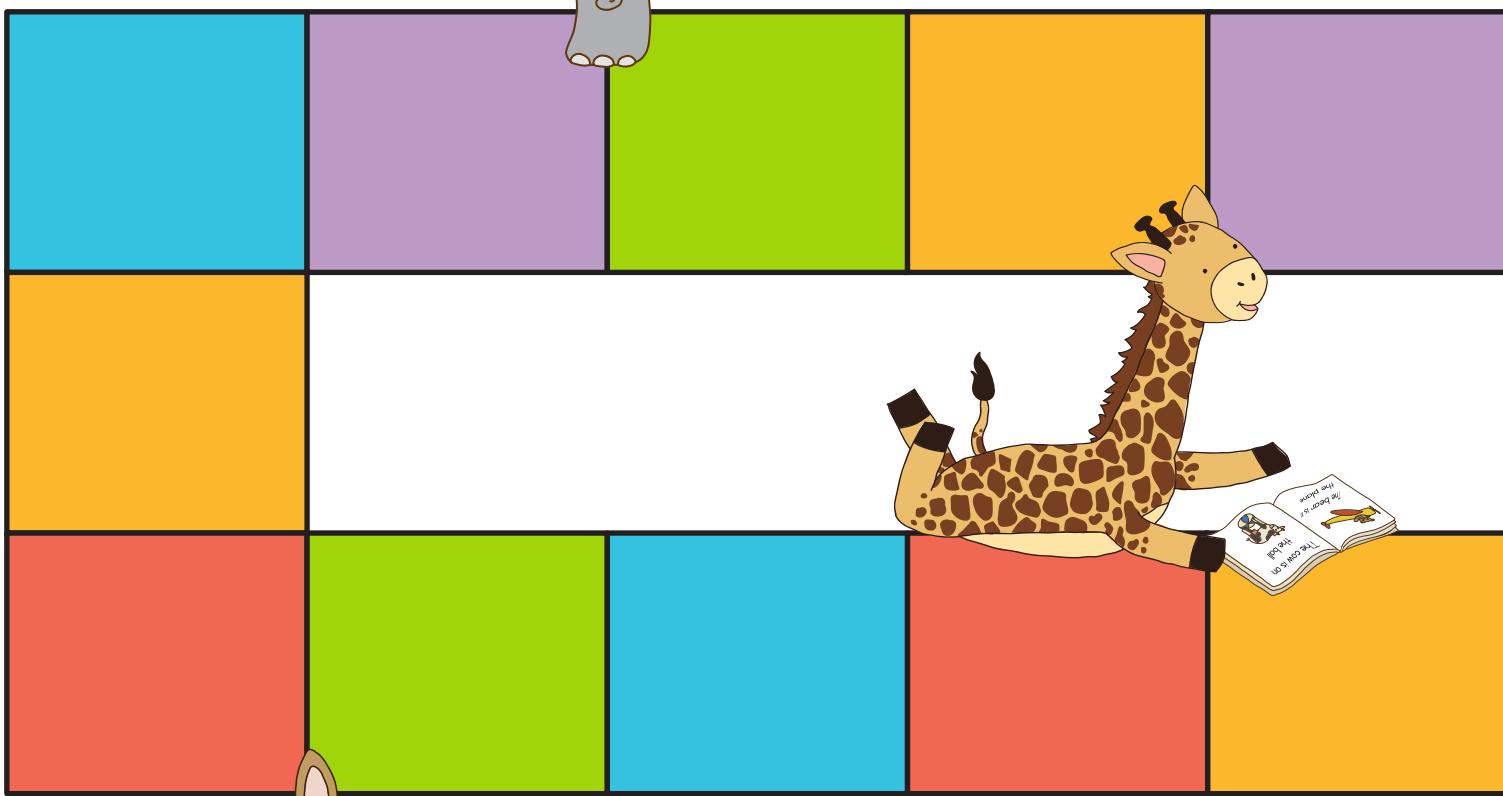
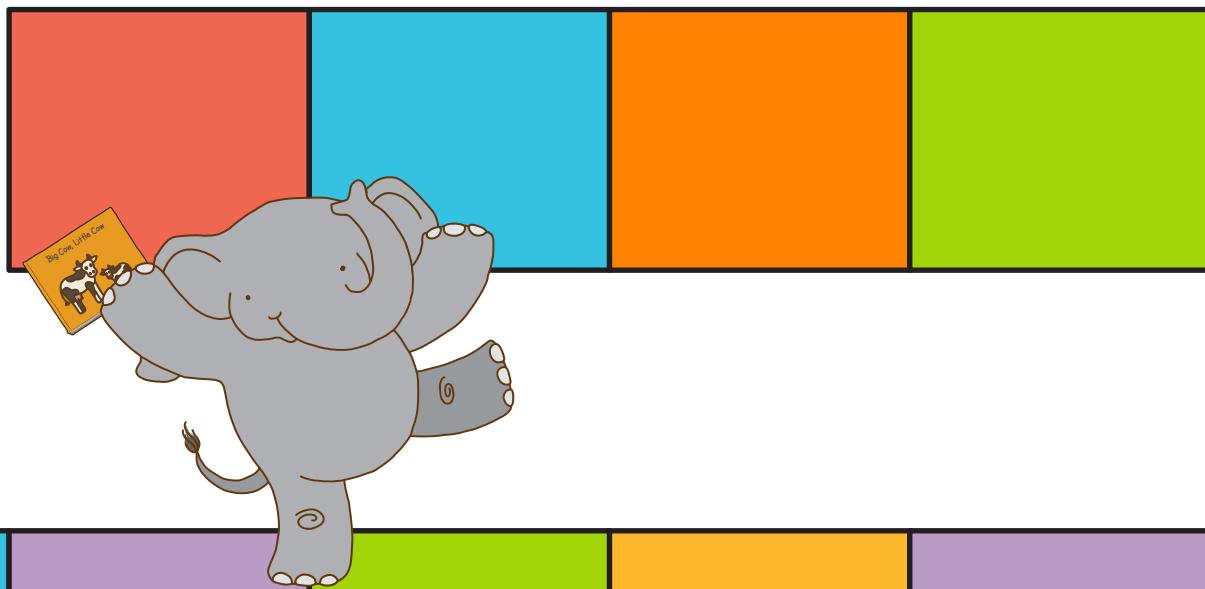
**Purple**

**Purple**

**Back 3**

**Forward 2**

**Reverse**





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