

ANIMAL CROWNS



The
Children's
Reading
Foundation

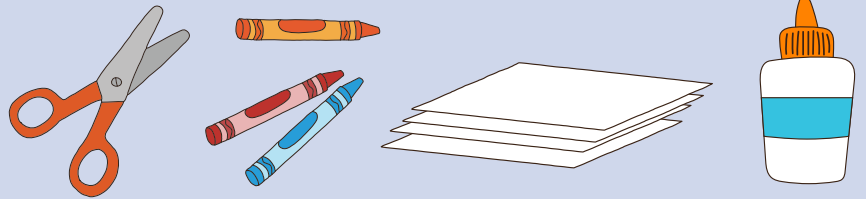
Read Together 20
Minutes Every Day™

Play With
a Purpose

These animal crowns are perfect for your child for playing pretend, acting out stories, or sharing with friends at celebrations. Help your child color, cut, and create these crowns while Playing With a Purpose.

What you'll need:

- Scissors
- Crayons, colored pencils, or markers
- 8 1/2 x 11 white paper (for printing)
- Glue, glue stick, or tape



INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAREGIVER AND CHILD:

1. Print out the animal crowns.
2. Have your child pick an animal and color the face with crayons, colored pencils, or markers.
3. Cut out the crown and headband along the dotted lines. If your child can cut by themselves, ask them to practice their scissor skills by cutting out the animal's face and headband. If they are not ready to use scissors, you can hold their hand and cut the pieces together.
4. Help your child glue or tape the headband to the tab on one side of the animal's face. Once it has dried, place the headband around your child's head to the other tab on the animal's face. Adjust the headband for size and glue or tape the headband in place.
5. Ask your child to pretend to be the animal. What sounds does it make? How does it walk and move? Make up a story about the animal and act out that story.

Making crafts and doing activities is always fun! But remember, **Playing With a Purpose** is being actively engaged in your child's play. These activities are intended to enjoy together at the same time you ensure your child's safety and offer help as needed.



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