

Week 3: Easter Week



Story time: A Bunny Adventure

Any number of years ago a boat put to sea. On board was small bunny with big ears. When her last adventure in the garden took a bad turn, she was captured and sentenced to stew.

One night some little hands slipped below deck. They placed the bunny in a basket and took her from the belly of the boat. Her big ears were free once more to seek fun and adventure. And fun and adventure she found. She spent many joyous seasons with the little hands around the rigging, sharing the wonder of the whole wide world. They were very happy and grew very strong. But just as summer turns to autumn, our bunny is about to find herself over her head in another adventure.

It was night on the high sea. Big Ears and Little Hands were gently rock-a-bye rocking. Then everything changed. Fingers of lightening pulled angry clouds over the ocean. Monster waves stomped the sea. The big boat was tossed around like a baby in the bathtub. As the boat strained to starboard the bunny was plucked to port. Big Ears bobbed in the stormy sea with only a basket for company. Things like that happen in adventures. By the time the calming colours chased away the clouds, this adventure was getting too wet for a bunny in a basket! Thank goodness she was joined by a couple of flat-eared friends. They skipped her across the sea to the land of forever green...

Easter Island! This spring oasis was the perfect home for our adventurous bunny. It is full of life, love and Easter Magic. And what is Easter Magic? It's the sweetest kind. For example, on Easter Island tasty dew drops kiss the morning leaves.

Humming birds skittles from flower to flower. Jelly bean pods open at the slightest touch.

And chocolate fruits hop in the breeze. The magic of Easter Island does no stop at land's end. Surrounding this island is a reef that's peep-pled with colourful coral, spectacular sponges and crafty creatures!

But the pride of the island are the popcorn trees. Once a year, when the first full moon shines on the spring equinox, the popcorn trees make their fruit. The fruit of the popcorn trees is eggs. Red, yellow, pink, green and so many other bright colours. The big-eared bunny was very happy in her new home.

One full-moon night, in the heart of spring, in soft Easter grass with the fiddler crab song, a cozied mind mists to memories. She remembers to wave and wake of small adventurers moved on, she remember the joy and love that these little hands bring to life, rekindling us all with their smiles and possibilities.

She remembered the whole world over, how the earth is reborn with each spring and mankind is reborn with each little hand. The next morning's sun hatched a grand plan. She would share the sweet spring harvest of Easter Island with all the children of the world! With the help of her furry, feathers and soft-scaled friends a great harvest began. The sea sparkled with activity as excitement grew.

At week's end the greatest fleet the world had ever seen set sail from Easter Island. The Easter Bunny skippered basket and crew to all point of wind. To share the joy and fruitful harvest that comes from rebirth with little hands like yours.

Happy Easter

Scribble: Can you make up an Easter story of your own. Below are some character and title ideas. Perhaps you can illustrate it too. Illustrations are pictures that show the story.



Chirpy Chic; Egbert the Egg; Floppy the Sad Bunny; Super Egg;

Rabbitty the Carrot Catcher; The Mystery of the Missing Easter Eggs.





Leafy Bunny

When out in your garden or nearby park pick up a few leaves and twigs to make an awesome leafy bunny.

Materials

- Leaves & twigs
- Glue
- Card
- Googly eyes



Egg & Chick cards

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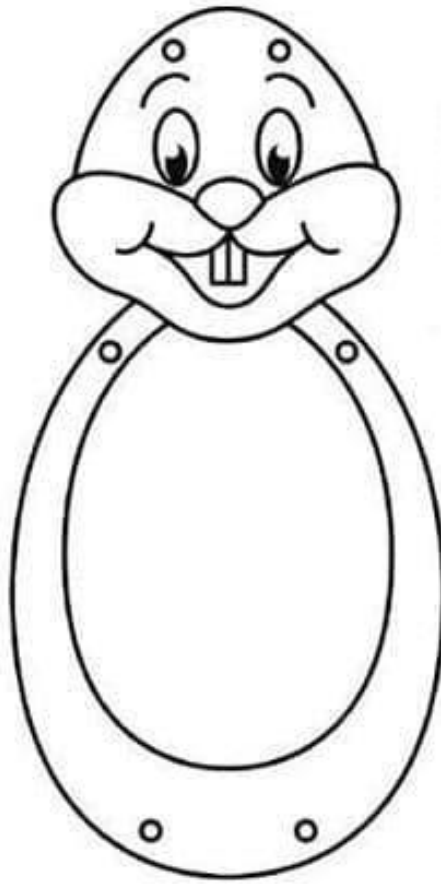
- Card
- Patterned paper or magazines
- Split pins or sting or wool
- Scissors
- Craft feathers or magazine paper cut into feather shapes



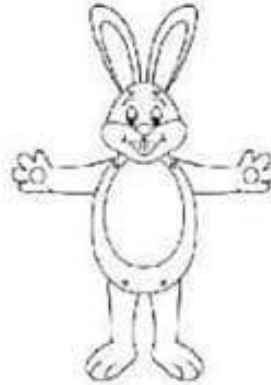


Make a Bunny

with Arms and Legs that Move

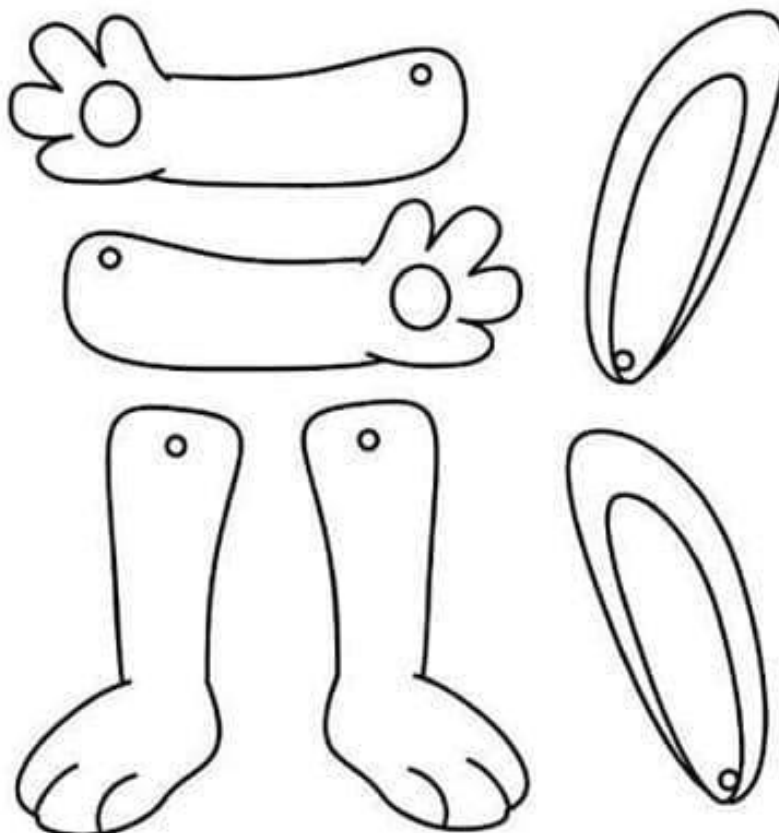


- Step 1: Color all of the bunny's parts.
Step 2: Cut out the body, arms, and legs.
Step 3: Attach the limbs with paper fasteners.
The completed bunny will look like this:



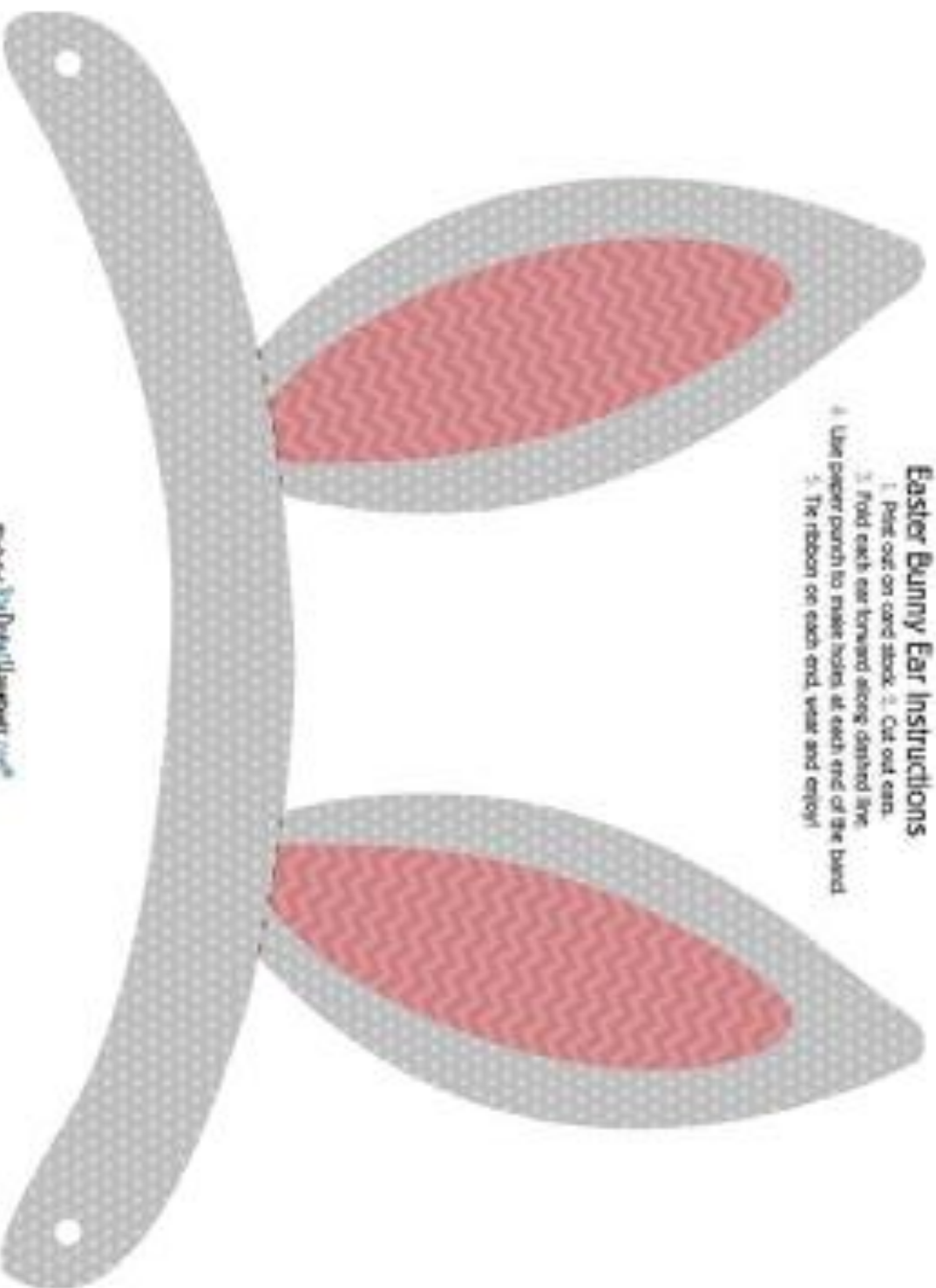
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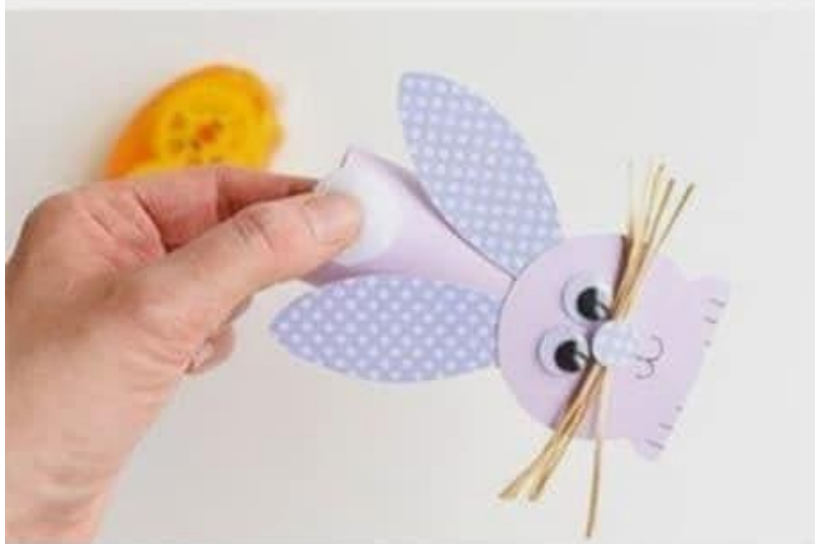
Easter Bunny Ear Instructions

1. Print out on card stock. 2. Cut out ears.
3. Fold each ear forward along dashed line.
4. Use paper punch to make holes at each end of the band.
5. Tie ribbon on each end, wear and enjoy!



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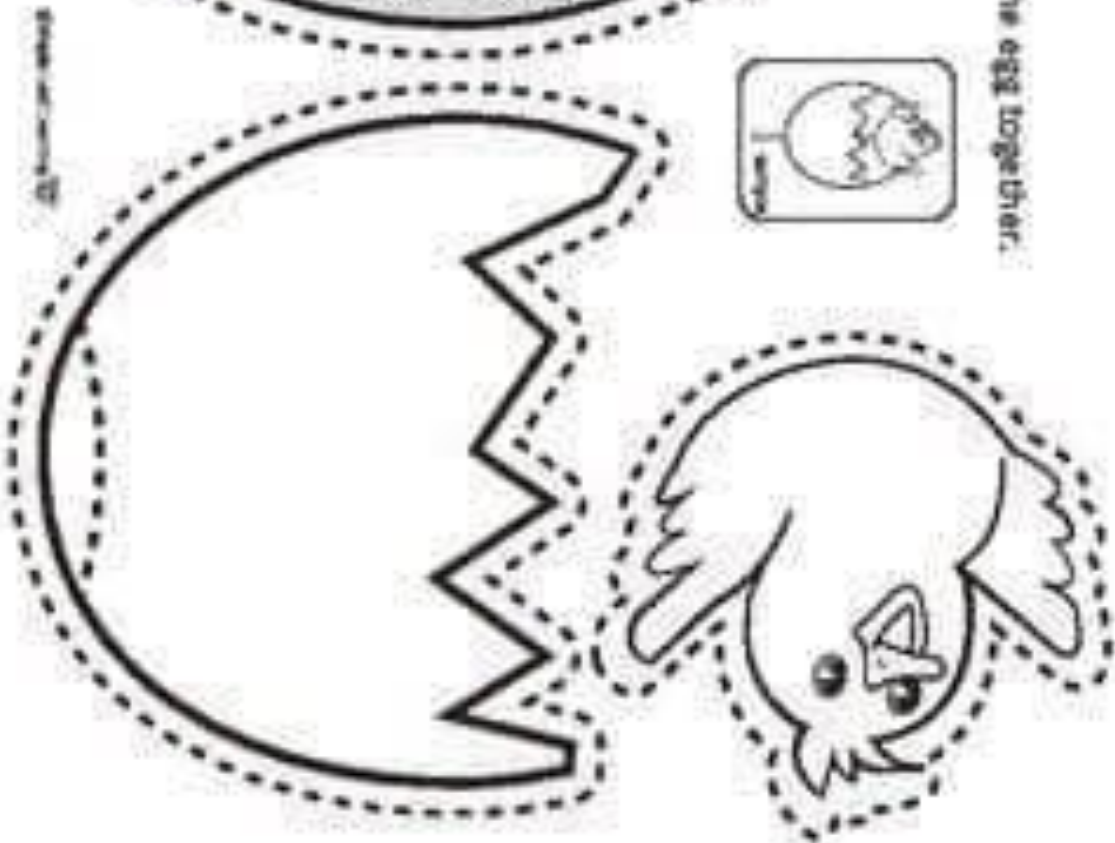
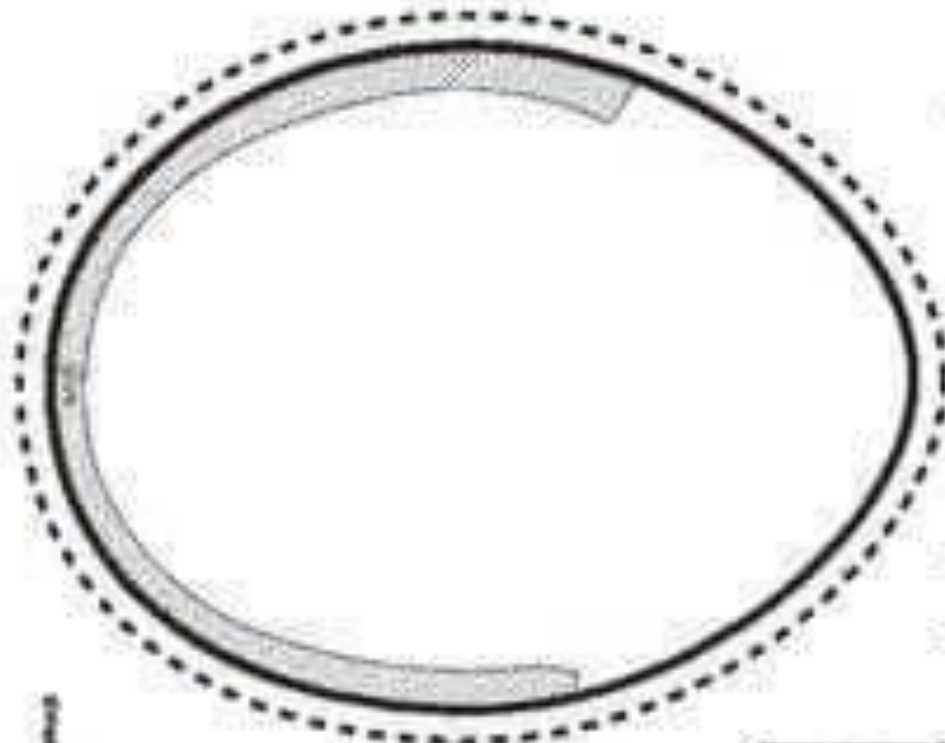






Pop-up Chick

1. Color the pieces, cut out, and glue the egg together.
2. Tape the chick to a straw and play!



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Easter Traffic Lights

This game is a little like Traffic Lights or Beans in that you have to do different actions when various words are called out. Here they are. Have fun!

Chics = walking around like a chicken, flapping your arms calling out “cheep cheep”



Egg = getting into an egg shape by tucking yourself up as small as you can



Bunnies = hop around in a crouched position twitching your nose



Daffodils = standing and swaying with your arms stretched out

Lambs = Walking around on hands and feet calling out (Baa Baa)



Easter Egg hunt = running (fast walking in smaller spaces) about looking for eggs and then pretending to put them in your Easter basket.

Melting chocolate = from a standing position pretend you are melting until you are down on the floor in a melted pool!



Egg & Spoon Races



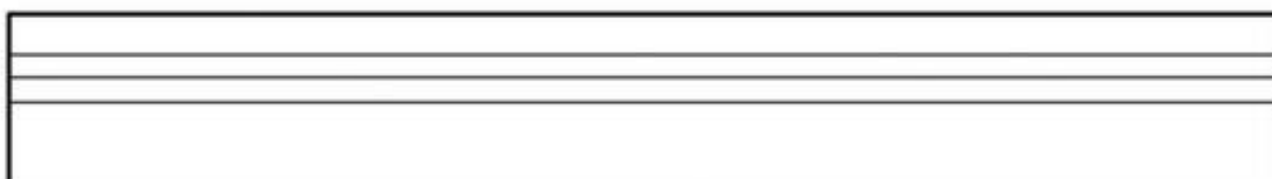
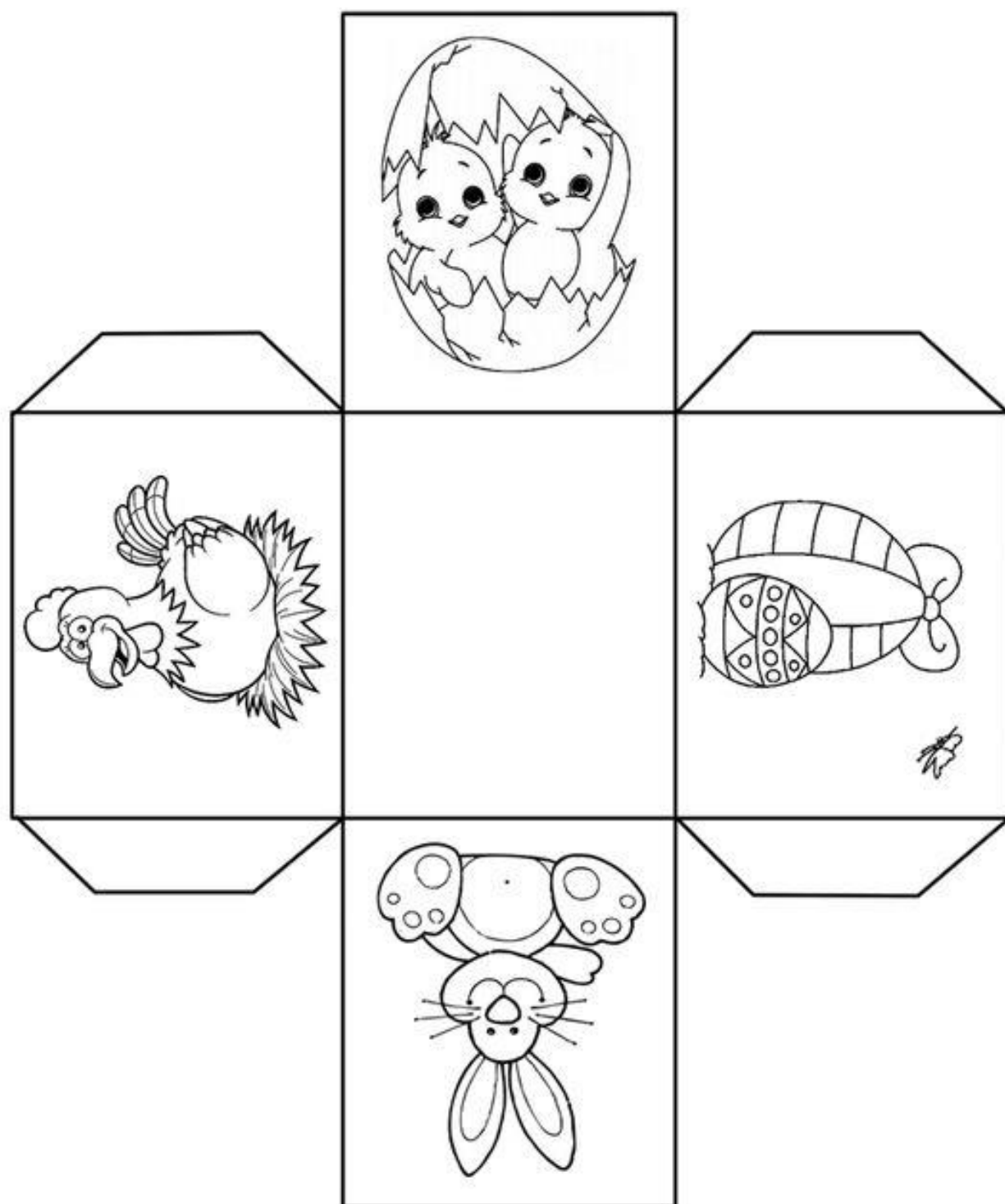
Decorate some boiled eggs with food dye. Use your eggs with a spoon to do egg and spoon races in the garden. If you are stuck indoors design an indoor obstical course that you can move around slowly still ensuring your egg stays on the spoon.

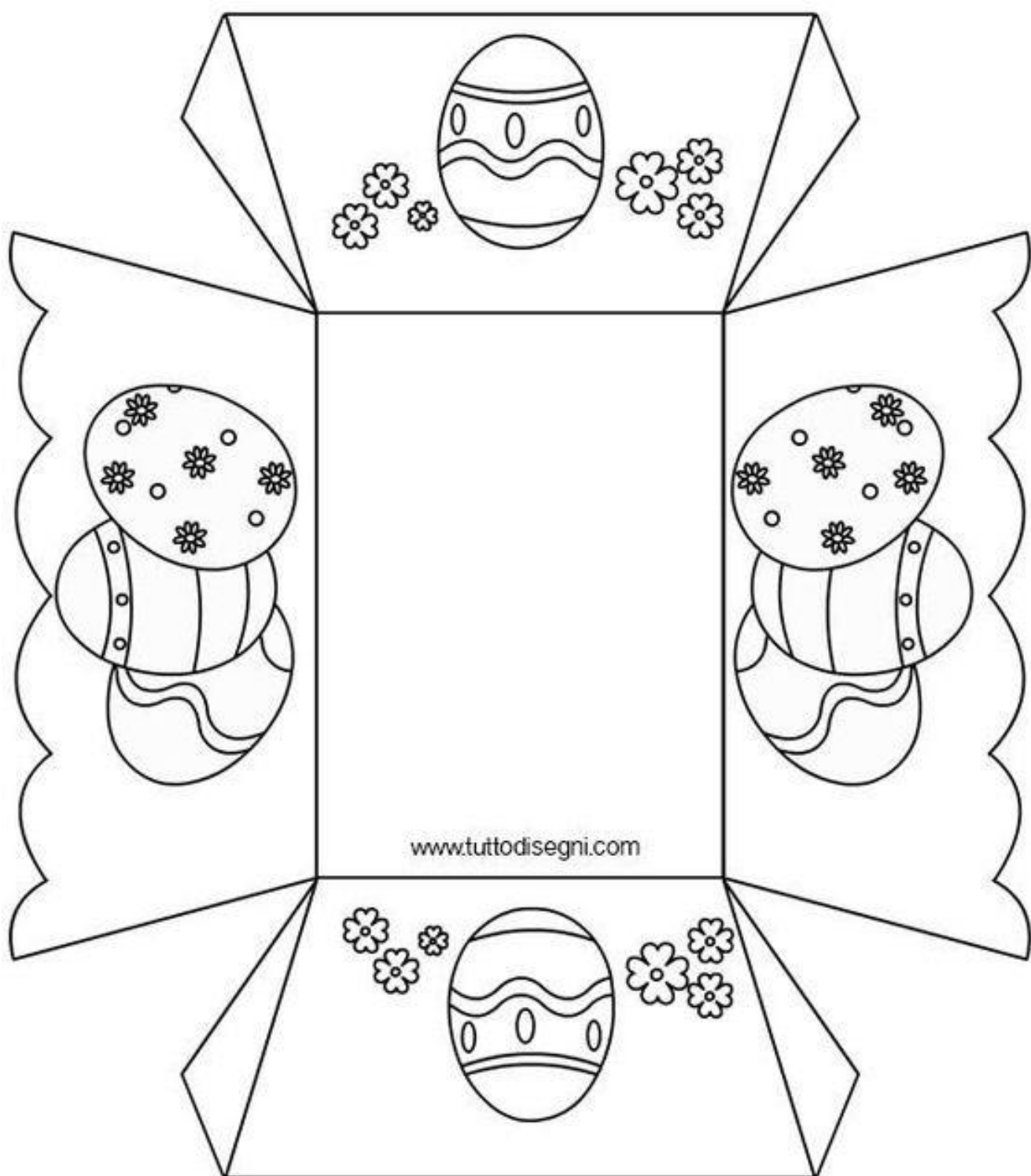
e.g. climb over some cushions ; crawl under the table; walk up and down steps.

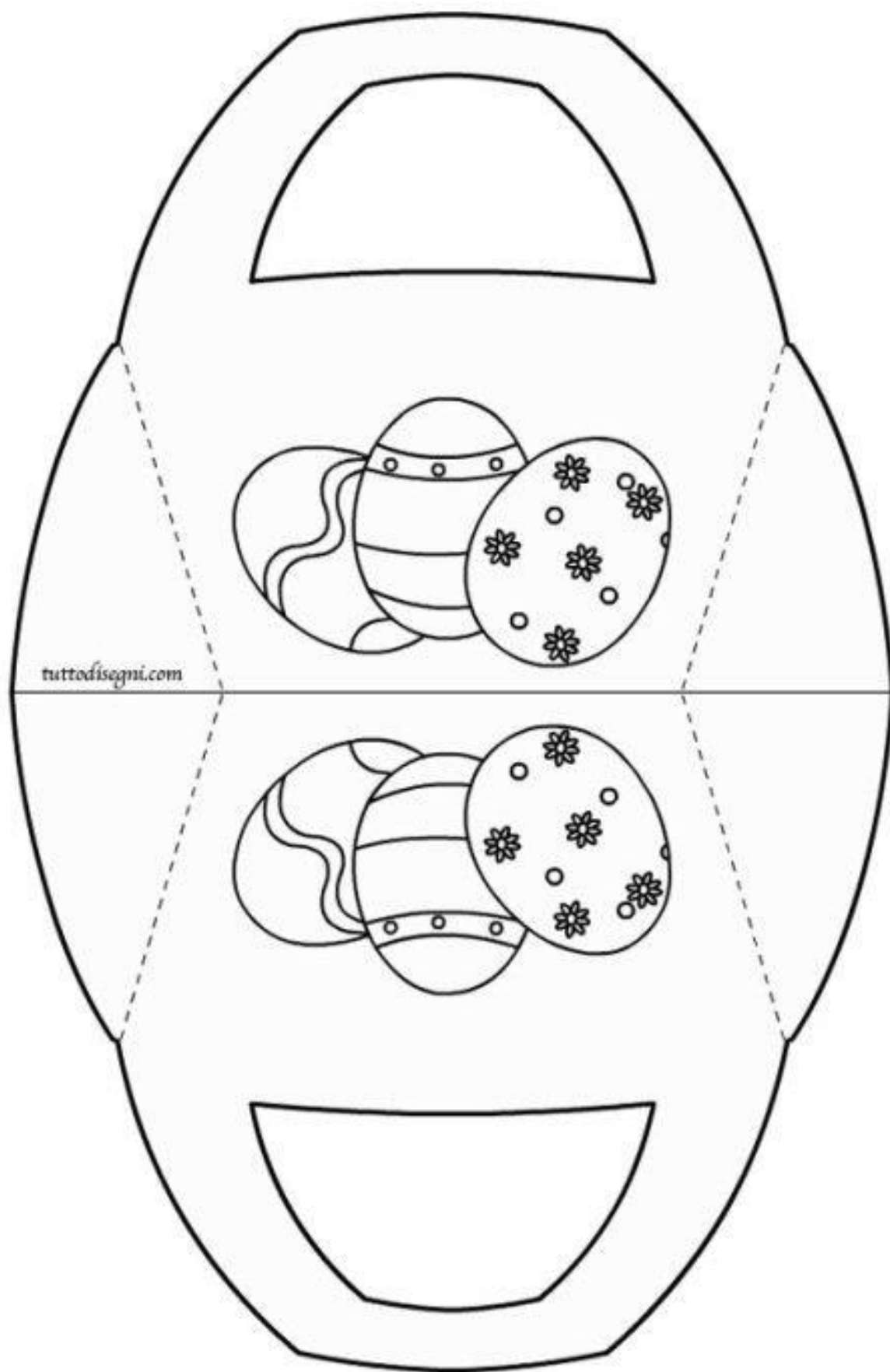
If you have no eggs you can always use a ping pong ball or another smaller ball, even marbles using a tea spoon!



Easter Basket Ideas









Easter Word Search



V U D Q N B S N A E B Y L L E J Z N
W R O W P F L J H W A H X E U G E K
F B U N N Y A D E Z M C D T R P P C
L C Q K K B M A K F A F R A A M V B
C M K R O O B A F X L F Y L B R T C
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BUNNY
DUCKLINGS
BONNET
BASKET
CHICKS



DAFFODILS
EASTEREGG
HYACINTH
SPRING
EGGS



LAMBS
IRIS
JELLYBEANS
RABBIT
CHOCOLATE





Easter Bingo

What better way to entertain your family, both kids and adults, on Easter than with a game of Easter Bingo! We have templates for 6 different bingo cards. The pictures on the cards are black and white so that your children can personalize their Easter bingo cards and color them in themselves!

What you'll need:

- Easter Bingo Templates (see below)
- Easter Bingo Call Card (see below) print 2 of these
- Coins, chips, etc. to use as card markers
- Crayons, colored pencils, markers
- scissors
- A container to draw from (hat, bucket, or pan)

How to play Easter Bingo:

- Print out the templates and call card.
- Color in the templates and call card images.
- Cut apart one call card so that each picture is on one piece. Place each piece into a container. When called out place on uncut call card.
- Establish before hand what pattern on the bingo card wins. 5 in a row, 5 diagonally, 4 corners, etc. You decide!
- Have one person be the "caller". The caller should pick one piece out of the hat and call it out to the rest of the players.
- If your card has an image on it that matches the one called out, cover it with a marker. When you have a pattern that matches the preset winning pattern call out "Bingo" and you win!

Easter Bingo Call Card



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Easter Egg Treasure Hunt

Using template below copy egg shape. Use different colour card or paper and cut out 11 egg shapes. Write one letter on each egg neatly on one side. Decorate the other side. You should end up with 11 eggs that when put together spell out “Happy Easter”. You can then go and hide eggs for another person to find. If there are a few of you make several sets of 11 so that each person has to look for a set of a particular colour. If you have a garden it’s a chance to go outside but you can just as easily hide them inside, around your home. If you are the first to find the set perhaps there could be an egglicious reward for you! This game can be played many times!

