Playhouse Assembly

1. Carefully separate all the printed components from the cardboard sheets. The large sheets are for the building and the smaller sheets are for the characters
2. Use the supplied crayons to decorate all the components of your project. You can also use your own color pencils or markers for decoration. Use your own creativity!
3. After decorating all the components you are ready to assemble your building. Please refer to the picture on the package to see what the completed building looks like.
4. The large cardboard piece is the shape of the house. Fold up the pieces marked A, B, C, and D. Place tab D into slot A. This sets up the frame of your house. To insure that the house is solid, glue the tabs and slots together.
5. Fold up the center vertical wall and insert its tabs in the center of the house. You can glue for more stability.
6. Fold up the second floor and insert into the vertical center wall as well as into the 2 outside walls. Glue to insure stability.
7. Each of the family members has a small stand that allows the character to be placed in various rooms and interactively played with.

YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE ASSEMBLY PORTION OF YOUR PROJECT. BE PROUD OF YOURSELF AND ENJOY!

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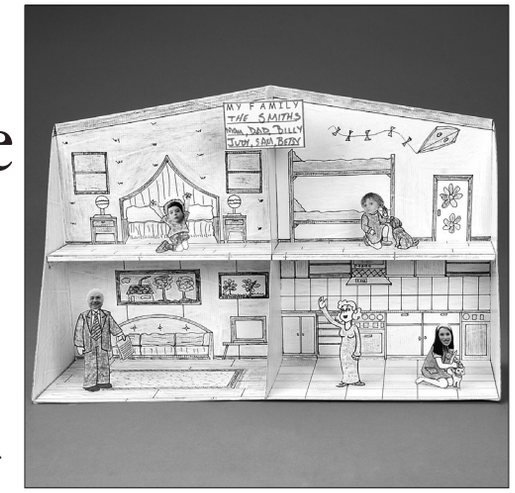
Interactive Family Playhouse



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PACKAGE OF 6

Please read all directions before starting.

Your package contains:
- Family Playhouses
- Room Dividers
- People
- Crayons
- Glue

Additional Materials You will Need:
- Markers or Paint (optional)
- Digital Camera (optional)

Instructions: Please read this brochure before starting the project. Have the group think about different types of homes. Discuss what the houses look like and who the people might be that live in them. The easiest way to complete the project is to color all of the rooms, the room divider, and the people before assembling the house. If you have a digital camera you may want to take pictures of the group so they can glue their faces on the characters. The project can be completed at one time, or divided into different time slots. It is best to have leader involvement for guidance. Have fun playing with your family house!

Teaching Activities Inside

TEACHER/PARENTAL INFORMATION

The best way to start this project is to discuss and learn about different types of family homes. There are many types of homes and many books written on the subject.

- *Wonderful Houses Around the World by Yoshio Komatsu*
- *Where I Live by Eileen Spineli*
- *Clean Your Room by Harvey Moore/Pat Cummings*

In this project the child will decorate and assemble a family home, complete with characters. They can recreate thier own family, or create an imaginary family. If you have a digital camera take pictures of the group or have them bring in pictures of their family to use on the characters.

The children will be using many of the skills needed for child development.

- Fine motor skills
- Sequencing
- Creative thinking

CHILD DISCUSSIONS

- Where do you live?
- Why do people live in houses?
- What type building do you live in?
- Do you live in a house or apartment building?
- Is your home in the city or in the suburbs?
- Who lives in your house with you?

Family Home Facts

- Some people live in private homes where only their family lives.
- Some people live in apartment houses where many families live.
- Most buildings, both private homes and apartment buildings are built out of brick, heavy lumber, steel and glass.
- In many places around the world, family homes are built from mud, straw, tree logs and even ice!
- Have you ever seen other types of homes around the world?