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Low-cost dressing up pack



Bring our 2025 £1/€1.50 books to life with easy, affordable costume ideas.

From an astronaut to Paddington Bear, to a fox or even Pikachu, these fun and adaptable dress up ideas will transform kids into anything...

Start by choosing

- The type of reading are you dressing up as a graphic novel, comic, audiobook, or non-fiction?
- What want to share something a character says or does, a top fact, the way a character behaves, or something else?
- One of our creative dressing up templates inspired by the 2025 £1/€1.50 books.

You're all set to design and wear your own costume for World Book Day!





Use our Whole class dressing up workshop plan to plan your own workshop.



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Design your own Magic Balloon t-shirt



You will need

• A plain t-shirt

Colouring pens



Instructions:

- Print out the illustration of the Magic Balloon on the next page.
- Place the paper inside the t.shirt and carefully trace the outline of the Magic Balloon illustration on to the t-shirt.
- Grab your colouring pens and decorate your t-shirt.
- Once you're happy with your design, put on your t-shirt and show off your design!

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No Printer? No Problem!

Design your own Magic Balloon t-shirt



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You will need

- A plain t-shirt
- Colouring pens

Instructions

- Follow the step-by-step instructions on this page to draw your own Magic Balloon on to a plain t-shirt.
- Once you have drawn your design on to your t-shirt, it's time get creative and decorate your magic balloon t.shirt!

If you don't have a plain t-shirt, why not **create a badge** by drawing the step-by-step instructions on to a sticker or piece of paper!

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Make Your own GRanny GLasses!



YOU WILL NEED:

- Scissors
- Glue or sticky tape
- Colouring pens, pencils or crayons
- Thin card (e.g. an old cereal box)

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- Print out your very own pair of granny glasses.
- Stick the glasses onto a piece of card to make them stronger.
- With the help of a grown-up, cut around the dotted lines.
- Now fold and stick the side pieces to the back of the frame (ask a grown-up to help position these).
- Grab your colouring pens or pencils and decorate your glasses. Place on your face and you're a real life granny!



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HOW TO DRESS UP LIKE Janet and Rita



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- Do you know anyone who dresses like this?
- Bluey and Bingo love to dress up and play other characters!
 Do any of your other favourite books have characters who like to play games?
- If you were a granny, what kind of granny would you be? A kind granny, a mischievous granny, or maybe a stubborn granny!



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Celebrate with Postman Bear!

You will need:

- Thin card (e.g. an old cereal box)
- A pair of scissors
- Paints and a paintbrush, colouring pencils or crayons
- A glue stick
- String or ribbon

Instructions:

- 1. Ask an adult to help you carefully cut around the template, following the dotted line.
- 2. Glue your envelope to the card and, with the help of an adult, cut around it again.
- 3. Get creative! Decorate your envelope using colouring pencils, pens or paint.
- 4. To wear your special letter ask an adult to help you pierce the holes in the places marked X and thread, string or ribbon through the holes and knot together to hang around your neck (making sure it's not too tight).



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Celebrate with Postman Bear and make your very own origami envelope!

You will need:

- Paper either square or A4 cut to size
- Paints and a paintbrush, colouring pencils or crayons
- A glue stick or sticky tape
- String or ribbon

Instructions:

- 1. If using A4 paper follow these instructions before you get started, with the help of an adult:
 - a. Place the paper on the table (portrait)
 - b. Hold the top right corner of the paper and fold it towards the lower left side so the paper forms a right-angle triangle. There should be a small rectangular section left at the bottom.
 - c. Cut the rectangular section off using scissors and unfold the paper
 - With the help of an adult make an origami envelope, following these instructions:
 - a. Place the square paper on the table so its corners are in a diamond shape
 - b. Fold the left corner in so it meets the middle of the paper
 - c. Fold the right corner in so it meets the middle of the paper
 - d. Fold the bottom point into the middle
 - e. Add glue or sticky tape to stick the bottom fold to the two sides of the envelope
- 3. Get creative! Decorate your envelope using colouring pencils, pens or paint. You could draw a picture of an acorn and add your very own special message – just like Postman Bear, or even draw your favourite Acorn Wood character!
- 4. Ask an adult to help you pierce holes either side, thread string or ribbon through the holes and knot together to hang around your neck (making sure it's not too tight).



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Cut and colour in your moods!





You will need

• Scissors

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- Colouring pens
- Glue or sticky tape
- Card

Instructions:

- Print out your very own moods.
- Stick each emotion onto a piece of card to make them stronger.
- With the help of a grown-up, cut around the dotted lines.
- Grab your colouring pens or pencils and fill in your emotions.
- Place the mood you're feeling above your head to show off your mood like Barbara!

Can you name the moods of other characters from your favourite book?

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How to dress up like Barbara!



You will need

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- Pyjamas
- Fork (optional)
- Coat
- Wellies





What other moods can you name? See if you can draw more moods

Barbara would feel!

Instructions:

To dress up like Barbara when she is HAPPY, do the following:

- Grab your cosy pyjamas.
- With the help of a grown-up, find a fork and carefully hold it in your hand.
- Wear your biggest smile to show how happy you are!
- Smiling dogs, sausages and candyfloss make Barbara happy. Think about what makes you happy and add it to finish off your look.

To dress up like Barbara when she is ECSTATIC, do the following:

- Wear your buttoned up coat.
- Place your wellies on each foot.
- Wear your biggest smile to show how excited you are!
- For an extra touch, if swings and flying high make you happy, then remove one welly to look like Barbara in full swing.
- Ecstatic is the happiest anyone could ever be. You feel sparkly and bouncy and covered in glitter! Wazooooo!

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You will need: sheet of A4 paper/ card/ a pair of scissors/ pencils/ crayons/ pens/ paint.

Print out this shape and just follow these steps !

6. Use the safety pin to stick your badge onto your top!

1. Carefully cut around this shape.

5. Stick a safety pin onto the back of the card.

4. Glue this shape onto the cut card.

3. Trace the shape onto a peice of card.

2. Colour the bee vellow.

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You will need: A paper plate/ a pair of scissors / pencils/crayons/ pens/ paint

No printer no problem, just follow these steps!

- 1. Take a small paper plate.
- 2. Use paint, coloured pencils, crayons or pens to colour it yellow.
- 3. Paint or draw two thick black lines from top to bottom.
- 4. Cut out a triangle from another yellow plate for the bee sting and staple it to the back of the bee.
- 5. Paint or draw a thick black line around the outside of the plate and sting.
- 6. Take another plate and cut out four small oval shapes for the wings and staple them to the body.
- 7. Cut out six thin lines from the other plate and staple them to the body, these are the legs!
- 8. Now add two more cut out lines for the antennae.

9. Once these have all been stapled on, paint or colour them with black outlines.10. Paint a mouth.

11. And finally, place a dot for the eye!

Now you are all done and all you need to do now is stick on your badge with a pin or some sticky tape!

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Priontáil an cruth seo agus lean na céimeanna seo go díreach !

6. Úsáid an biorán dúnta le do shuaitheantas a chur ar do gheansaí nó do léine!

1. Gearr go cúramach timpeall an chrutha seo.

5. Gremaigh biorán dúnta ar chúl an chárta.

2. Dathaigh an bheach buí.

4. Greamaigh an cruth seo le gliú ar an gcárta gearrtha.

3. Rianaigh an cruth ar phíosaí cárta.

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Níl printéir agat? Fadhb ar bith! Lean na céimeanna seo go díreach!

- 1. Tóg pláta páipéir beag.
- 2. Úsáid péint, pinn luaidhe dhaite, criáin nó pinn lena dhathú.
- 3. Péinteáil nó tarraing dhá líne dhubha thiubha ón mbarr go dtí an bun.
- 4. Gearr amach triantán ó phláta buí eile le haghaidh chealg na beiche agus greamaigh é le stáplaí de chúl na beiche.
- 5. Péinteáil nó tarraing líne thiubh dhubh timpeall imeall an phláta agus na ceilge.
- 6. Tóg pláta eile agus gearr amach ceithre ubhchruth bheaga le haghaidh na sciathán agus greamaigh iad le stáplaí den chorp
- 7. Gearr amach sé líne thanaí ón bpláta eile agus greamaigh iad le stáplaí den chorp, is iad seo na cosa!
- 8. Anois cuir dhá líne eile a gearradh amach chun na hadharcáin a dhéanamh.
- 9. Nuair atá siad seo go léir greamaithe le stáplaí, péinteáil nó dathaigh iad le himlíne dhubh.
- 10. Péinteáil béal.
- 11. Agus, sa deireadh, cuir ponc ann mar shúil!

Anois tá tú réidh agus níl le déanamh agat ach é a ghreamú ar do shuaitheantas le biorán nó téip ghreamaitheach.





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SQUIRTLE HEADBAND!

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Instructions:

 Colour your headband.
With help from a grown-up, carefully cut out the headband and punch a small hole on both sides of the headband.
Tie a string or piece of yarn through the holes,

allowing you to wear the headband.

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PIKACHU HEADBAND!

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Instructions:

Colour your headband.
With help from a grown-up, carefully cut out the headband and punch a small hole on both sides of the headband.
Tie a string or piece of yarn through the holes, allowing you to wear the headband.

EEVEE HEADBAND!

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Instructions:

Colour your headband.
With help from a grown-up, carefully cut out the headband punch a small hole on both sides of the headband.
Tie a string or piece of yarn through the holes, allowing you to wear the headband.







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MAKE YOUR OWN LEGO[®] SPACE MASK

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Make your very own LEGO® Space Mask and prepare for liftoff this World Book Day®!

You will need:

- Colouring pens, pencils, crayons or paint
- Glue or sticky tape
- Thin card (e.g. an old cereal box)
- Scissors

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• Elastic or string

Instructions:

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Print out and colour in the mask on the next page using your favourite colours to make your unique LEGO[®] mask for World Book Day!

Top Tip: Use the colour yellow on the face of the mask to give it a proper LEGO $^{\circ}$ look.

Stick the mask onto card to make it stronger. Cut out the mask along the dotted lines - don't forget the holes for the eyes!

With the help of an adult, pierce a hole in the two places marked X.

Thread a piece of elastic or string through the outer two holes and tie in place.

There you have it! You are now ready to take on the galaxy with your very own LEGO[®] Space Mask!

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MAKE YOUR OWN LEGO[®] ROCKET COSTUME

Make your very own LEGO® Rocket **Costume and prepare for liftoff** this World Book Day[®]!

You will need:

A piece of paper

A pair of scissors

A large piece of cardboard

adult's help

in using these)

- Pencils/crayons/ pens/paint
- A straw (optional)
- Sticky tape
- (please ask for an Elastic or string

Instructions:

To draw your LEGO® rocket shape:

Take a pencil and draw a large fish-like outline onto your cardboard (big enough to cover your head and chest!)

Add a small circle at the tip, and then two upside-down teardrop shapes for the rocket fins.

Top Tip:

If your cardboard has things printed on one side, use this as your side to draw on.

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Instructions (cont.)

Use scissors to cut around the outline you've drawn to create your costume. Then cut a circle to fit your head inside.

With the help of an adult, pierce a hole in the two places either side of where your head will go. Leave enough room around the hole so it won't rip!

Flip your cardboard onto the other side. Grab your colouring tools and get creative! You can use the LEGO® Rocket Boy as inspiration, or do something totally new!

(Psst.. don't worry about drawing LEGO[®] Rocket arms, your arms will do just fine!)

Thread a piece of elastic or string through the outer two holes and tie in place so it fits around your head comfortably.

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See the next page for how to make a LEGO[®] Rocket flag!

> Your face goes here!



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MAKE YOUR OWN LEGO[®] ROCKET COSTUME

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Instructions:

To make your LEGO[®] Rocket flag:

Cut a piece of white paper into a square. Draw and colour in your LEGO[®] Rocket flag.

Wrap one side of the paper around a straw and secure with sticky tape.

If you don't have a straw, just use one of your pencils or pens (don't worry, the sticky tape and paper can be removed after your dress up day!)

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Copy this design or create your own!

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Design your own animal tail!



Instructions:

- Print out your chosen animal tail from the choices below.
- Stick your tail onto a piece of card to make it stronger.
- With the help of a grown-up, carefully cut out the tail.
- Get creative and colour, paint or decorate your tail!
- With the help of a grown-up, attach your tail with a safety pin to your clothing.

You will need

- Scissors
- Card

- Colouring pens, pencils or paint
- Feathers, sequins and embellishments for your tail.
- Safety pin
- Card



After reading *Fox and Son Tailers*, what type of tail would you design for this animal if you were Rory?

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No Printer? No Problem! Create your own fun tail!

Examples of materials to use for your tail:

- Feathers
- Coloured tissue paper
- Old clothes
- Be as creative as you can!

Instructions:

What did you think of Rory's idea?

Do you think you could create a fun and fabulous tail? Ask an adult to help you gather some materials and make a tail for yourself.



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No printer, no problem!

Instructions

 View the template on your digital device (tablet, phone, etc.) and trace the Paddington mask outline with a pencil. If you are viewing this on a smaller screen, like a mobile phone, fold the paper in half and trace half of the mask from your screen.
Top tip: Use a thin piece of paper or some leftover baking paper from the kitchen!
Make sure your screen brightness is turned up so you can see the outline.
Cut around the outline you've drawn to create your mask shape.
If you've folded your paper, unfold this after cutting to reveal your mask!
Stick the paper with the mask outline onto an empty cereal box/thin piece of card, and with adult supervision, carefully cut around this and the eye holes.
Colour in your Paddington mask.

5 Ask an adult to pierce a hole on either side of the mask and thread with elastic. Tie in place.



Make your own marmalade sandwich!

There's nothing Paddington loves to eat more than a sticky marmalade sandwich! Cut this one out following the dotty line and colour it in. Then put on your Paddington mask and pretend to chomp the sandwich. Delicious!



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CREATE YOUR OWN ALL POEMS ALOUD MEGAPHONE!

YOU WILL NEED

- One pair of scissors
- A roll of sticky tape
- Colouring pens/pencils
- 1 ruler
- 1 piece of A4 or A3 paper, or for best results, thin card



POEMS ARE MEANT TO BE PERFORMED OUT LOUD!

Plain example

WHY NOT LEARN A POEM AND PERFORM IT WITH YOUR MEGAPHONE?



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Firstly, colour in and decorate the megaphone. Which bright colours will you use? Can you add your own poetic device words?
- Next, carefully cut out the outline of the megaphone. Only cut the thick black lines, not the dotted lines. Ask an adult for help if you need it.
- With the help of an adult, cut out the three thin rectangles which you can find by one handle.
- Place your cut-out megaphone over a ruler, and fold it back across each dotted line, smoothing it flat each time. As you work, the design will start to take the shape of a circle.
- Once done, insert each of your three tabs into the three holes and tape them flat. Wow! You're done!

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NO PRINTER? NO PROBLEM! TURN YOURSELF INTO A POEM!

YOU WILL NEED

- One pair of scissors
- A roll of sticky tape
- Colouring pens/pencils
- 1 piece of A4 or A3 paper, or for best results, thin card

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Write out 5 words of your choice in bubble writing. Pick a mix of nouns, verbs, adjectives.
- Fill these words with designs and colours, then cut them out.
- Write a poem which features your 5 words. It can be as long or as short as you want and use as many other words as you need.
- Stick your 5 words to your t-shirt. You've become a poem! Perform the poem you wrote to your friends and family!

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DOES YOUR FAVOURITE CHARACTER OR AUTHOR SPEAK UP FOR WHATS RIGHT? USE YOUR MEGAPHONE TO SPEAK LOUDER!

DRESSING UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE CHARACTER OR AUTHOR? USE OUR PRINTERLESS ACTIVITY AND ADD YOUR FAVOURITE QUOTE FROM THEM TO YOUR COSTUME. CAN YOU PERFORM IT OUT LOUD?







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Fe fydd angen: Papur A4, cardbord, glud, siswrn, pensiliau lliw, ffon bren

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Gludwch ffon bren at gefn y ffigur i gwblhau'r mwgwd!

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How to make the mask



You will need: A4 paper, cardboard, glue, scissors, coloured pencils, wooden stick

Print the first page on a piece of A4 paper. If you don't have a printer, follow the steps on the

STEP 2

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next page to draw your own mask.

Glue the paper to a piece of cardboard. (Another piece of thick paper will also work!)

STEP 3

With an adult's help, carefully cut out the mask with a pair of scissors. Remember to cut out some holes for the eyes too.







Glue a wooden stick to the back of the figure to complete the mask!







If you don't have access to a printer, don't worry! Follow our step-by-step guide below to draw your own mask.



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DRESS UP Like Rocky Race!

Rocky Race loves football! She's travelled to America to train and gain new skills – and that means wearing a new "soccer" kit on the pitch! It's great to match her friends on her new team.

Colour in the logo below, then ask an adult to help you cut it out and attach it to your top. Then there you are - you are officially a footballer in training like me, Rocky Race!

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* We recommend a plain white t-shirt, but you can use any colour top. It's all about just taking part!

Don't have a printer?

No worries! Simply trace or draw the logo in front of you on to a piece of paper – or even draw your own! Then ask an adult to help you with the next steps. What will your soccer logo look like?

Explore

the full

series!

Grab your copy today of *Rocky Race Takes The Lead* – one of the World Book Day[®] 2025 titles – or check out other books in the series. Available now!





DRESS UP Like Rocky Race!

She's travelled to America to train and gain new skills – but even though she has a "soccer" kit she loves to wear the football kit of her old team back home, the Melchester Rovers.

Colour in the logo below, then ask an adult to help you cut it out and attach it to your top. Then there you are - you are officially a footballer in training like me, Rocky Race!

* We recommend a plain red t-shirt, but you can use any colour top. It's all about just taking part!

Don't have a printer?

No worries! Simply trace or draw the logo in front of you on to a piece of paper – or even draw your own! Then ask an adult to help you with the next steps. What will your soccer logo look like?



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Grab your copy today of *Rocky Race Takes The Lead* – one of the World Book Day[®] 2025 titles – or check out other books in the series. Available now!

Make your own Ronnie the Alien

You will need:

- Crayons / coloured pens
- Scissors

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- Sticky tape
- A ruler or similar

Instructions:

- Colour in the illustration of Ronnie the Alien. ٠
- Carefully cut out the picture, or ask an adult ٠ to help you.
- Stick your decorated Ronnie the Alien on to • a ruler or similar and show him off to your friends!

Play hide and seek with Ronnie!

Find a secret hiding spot for Ronnie and challenge your friends to find him!

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No Printer? No Problem! Design your own Alien

You will need:

- A sheet of paper
- Crayons / coloured pens



Get creative and design your own out-of-this-world alien!

Think about:

- What will your alien look like?
- What will they wear?
- Do they have any special powers?
- Where do they live?



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Make your own Ryder cloak pin, just like Eira's!



You will need

- Colouring pens, pencils or crayons
- Glue or sticky tape
- Thin card
- Scissors
- A safety pin or velcro

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Instructions

- **1.** Think about all the things that you are good at.
- 2. Colour and decorate the crest template with images that relate to these strengths
- 3. Stick the crest onto card to make it stronger. Then ask an adult to cut it out for you
- **4.** Stick Velcro or tape a safety pin to the back of the crest.
- 5. Now you can pin your Ryder pin to your red cloak, just like Eira!

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You will need

- Colouring pens, pencils or crayons
- Glue or sticky tape
- Thin card
- Scissors

• A safety pin or velcro

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Instructions

 Draw a crest onto a piece of card. The crest should be circular and divided into sections. Try drawing round a glass to get the curved edge.

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Design your own This Story is a Lie t-shirt

You will need

• A plain t-shirt

Colouring pens



Instructions:

- Choose a stencil for your t-shirt designs.
- Place the chosen design under your t-shirt and trace the outline the outline of the illustration on to the t-shirt.
- Grab your colouring pens and decorate your t-shirt.
- Once you're happy with your design, put on your t-shirt and show off your design!

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Instructions:

- Draw your design based on one of the below illustrations, or why not have a go at freestyling your own ideas?
- Once you have drawn your design onto your t-shirt, it's time get creative and decorate your t.shirt!

