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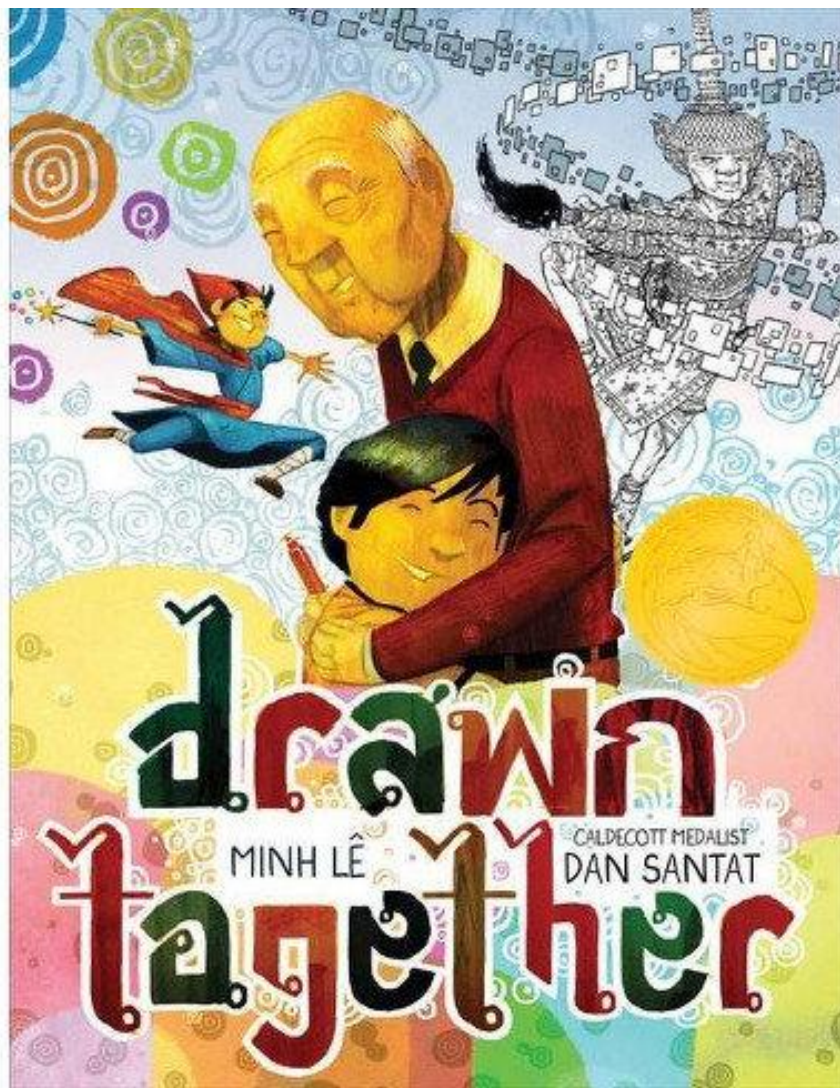
Tell Your Story

Featured Story:

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Inspiration from WAM's Collection



Frozen Moat Outside City Walls
about 1647, Jan Asselijn, oil on canvas,
1969.24 ([eMuseum Link](#))

In this painting we can see a winter scene, with gray skies and snow on the ground. There are people, animals, and carts traveling in and out of the city, and a man cutting ice from the moat. It looks like he is waving to someone with his hand held up toward the road. What could the story be here?

Boys and Kitten

1873, Winslow Homer, watercolor and opaque watercolor over graphite on moderately thick, textured, cream wove paper, 1911.1 ([eMuseum Link](#))

Sitting on the wall are three boys, all focused on something in their lap, with a black cat looking on from the side. It seems to be a bright, warm day, in the morning or afternoon as the shadows are not directly under the boys. What could the story be here?



Shikishi

late 19th century, Ise Monsui, ink, color, and gold leaf on paper, 2007.42 (Shikishi translates to "colored paper") ([eMuseum Link](#))

We have two figures in the bottom right of this paper, with a line for the ground to the left. One person is facing away from us with their face and body covered. The other person is holding or supporting the covered person with their hand and is looking behind them with an angry face. What could the story be here?



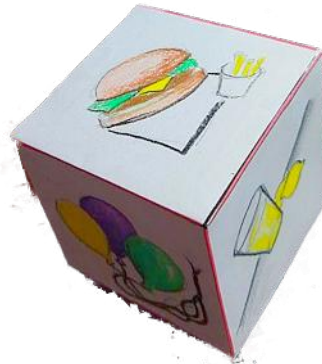
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Tell the Story

Supplies

- The “Tell the Story Template” Page, Printed
- Pencil
- Eraser
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Crayons, Colored Pencils, or Markers,



Create

Today we are going to make our own story dice!

1. Print the Template Page for this project.
2. In each square, draw a different mini-picture or symbol that could be a clue or idea for any story.
3. Once finished drawing, cut the shape out along the black lines.
4. Fold on the red lines, making all the folds go the same direction.
5. Starting with the square that has Glue A flaps, put glue on each little flap that is labeled Glue A, then gently glue the little tabs to the inside of the cube. You could also tape the tabs in place.
6. Attach the Glue B tabs to the inside of the box. You should have a four sided box with an unattached lid now.
7. Put glue on Glue C, D, and E tabs, then press the “lid” down gently to attach.
8. Let the glue of your story dice dry.

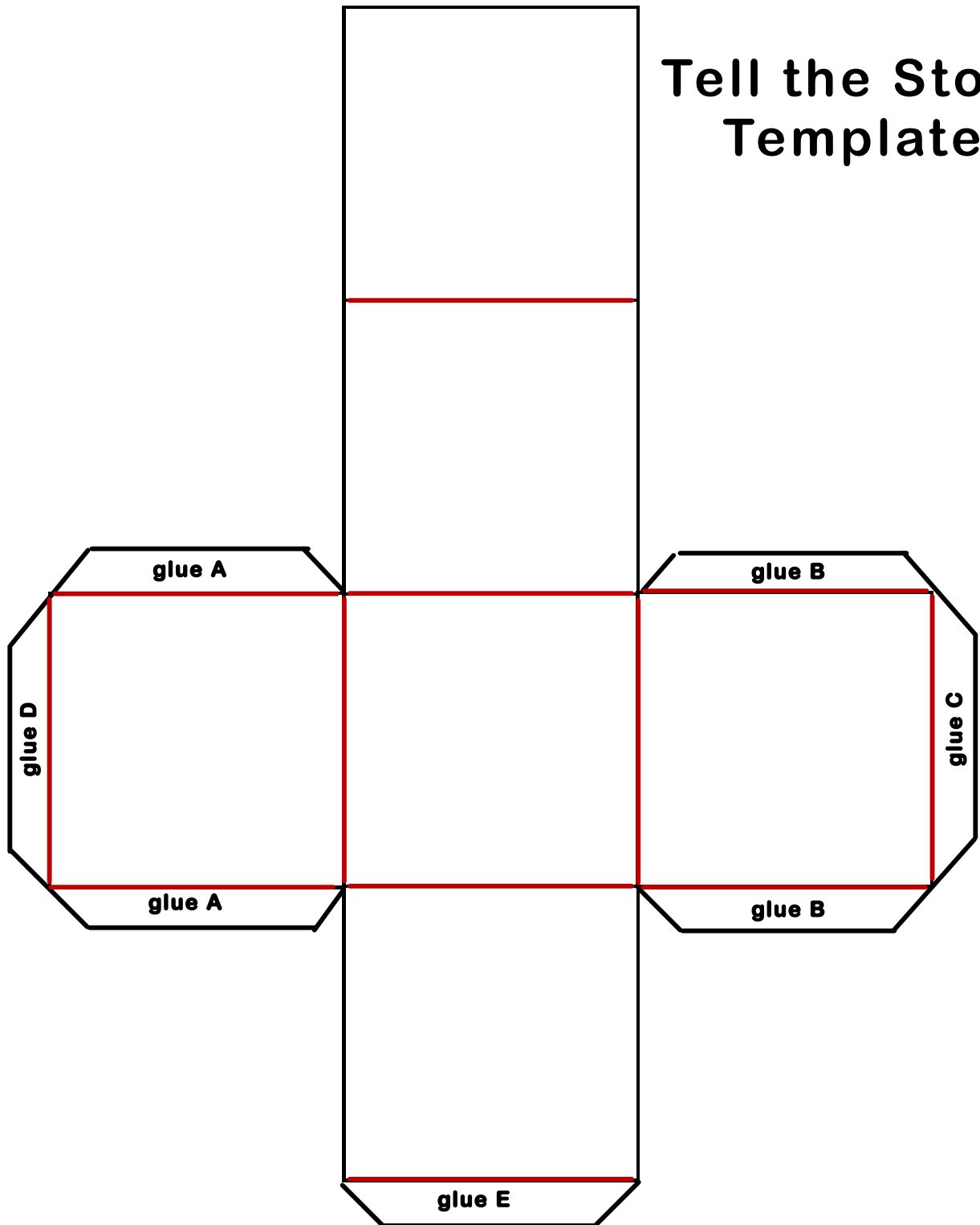
To Play:

Roll the dice, and start your story with the idea , place, or object that rolls to the top. Continue your story by rolling the dice again...you can roll as many times as you want. Play by yourself, or with others!

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Tell the Story Template



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Create a Character

Supplies

- Sketch Paper
- Drawing Paper
- Paper
- Pencil
- Eraser
- Optional: Pen/ink, Crayons, Colored Pencils, or Markers



Create

Just like the grandson and grandfather in the book “Drawn Together”, you are going to create your own monster-fighting character!

1. First, think about what your character would look like. What clothes would they wear? What would they have to help them fight the monster? What pose will they be in?
2. Sketch out a couple ideas for your character in pencil.
3. Once you decide which sketch you like best, re-draw it on your drawing paper for your final drawing.
4. When drawn, use your favorite coloring media to add color, if you want!

For more fun, work with a family member or friend as you develop a pair of heroes together - you could even both be drawing “together” via video chat! For a challenge, switch half-way through and color in each other’s drawings, or send your friend a photo of your drawing before you color it so you can both color it in!