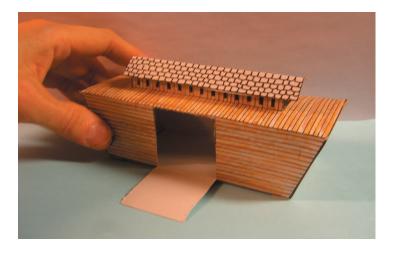
Cut-and-assemble Noah's Ark



Target age group: ages 2-5

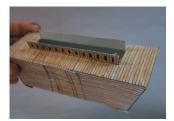
<u>Materials needed:</u> copies of pattern page printed onto heavy card stock paper (*tan is best, but you can use white and then use crayons to color them*), scissors, white glue (*like Elmer's, but I don't recommend "school glue" because it doesn't stick as well as regular*), crayons or colored pencils <u>Optional</u>: provide animal crackers or other animal-shaped snacks to go inside the ark

For the teacher or parent to do ahead of time:

1) Make the copies onto card stock. Tan is best, but white will do.

2) Use a razor blade or X-acto knife to cut slits along the lines on the top of the ark and along the door (so that it will open downward).

3) Optional: If you want to score along fold lines, this will make the folding easy for the children to do themselves. Otherwise they may need some help getting the creases sharp and in the right places. To score, use a ruler and a sharp-ish point like a nail or the point of a compass (or the side of the scissors if you are careful).



For the students to do:

1) Do coloring first. Use crayons or colored pencils to apply browns and tans. (Hint: If possible, avoid coloring the glue flaps.)

- 2) Cut out ark.
- 3) Fold.

4) Put tiny amount of glue on one flap at a time, press and hold joint (usually holding and counting to ten will be sufficient). Very young students will definitely need help with this step. Numbers are given on the glue flaps as a suggested order. However, flaps 1-4 can be done in any order, as long as they are completeted before you glue 5-7. Flaps 5-7 are done all at once, as you fold up the bottom of the ark.
5) Put a line of glue along the top of the window panels (the things sticking up in the smaller photo) and set roof down on top of the glue dots. Don't put so much glue on them that there are big blobs dripping down. Small blobs will be sufficient. You may think it won't stick, but it will! Let roof dry, undisturbed, for 5 to 10 minutes.

6) Optional-- fill with animal-shaped snack.

NOTE: The door shut stay shut if pressed back in. If the animal snacks make the door want to pop out, you might want to consider securing it with a little clear tape, especially if the ark must survive a journey back to the student's house.

