A Squash and a Squeeze

Can you spot five differences between the two pictures of the old lady’s house?

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What’s your favourite book?
Monster Stones

Mouse makes up a monster to scare away Snake, Owl and Fox. Make up your own monster with this game – and let’s hope it doesn’t turn out to be real!

Adventure kit: At least twenty plain smooth stones, no smaller than a coin and no bigger than your hand, and some paints or felt tip pens.

What to do:
1. Paint or draw a terrible monster feature on each stone. You will need a mixture of:
   - nasty noses
   - enormous ears
   - scary hair
   - evil eyes
   - monster mouths with terrible teeth
   - huge tongues
   - hideous horns
   - beastly brows
   - poisonous pimples

And don’t forget to make all your features truly monstrous . . .

You might like to include:
- terrible tongues
- wicked warts
- hideous horns

2. Once you’ve done as many stones as you want, leave them to dry. Then mix them up and turn them all over so you can’t see the features.

3. Choose ten stones at random.

4. Make a monster face using the stones you have chosen. How scary can you make it? Will your face have one eye, two tongues or only noses?!

5. Play the game with a friend and see who can make the most fearsome monster.

Hints and tips:
- Marker pens work well on stones but remember they will also mark your skin so check with a grown-up before using them.
- Twenty stones is good for two players, but you may need to design some more if you have more than one friend who wants to play.
Colour in this picture of the Gruffalo's Child meeting the mouse in the deep dark wood! 

What's your favourite book? Gruffaloc.com
Make a Whale

You will need:
A piece of A4 paper, a blue or grey crayon, a square of white paper (about 8cm square), ruler, safety scissors, black pen or crayon.

The Body

1. Lay out the A4 paper with a short edge facing you. Pick up the bottom right-hand corner and fold it diagonally across to the long edge to make a triangle. Trim off the extra paper. Colour one side of the paper with your blue or grey crayon.

2. Unfold the triangle to make a square. Fold two opposite corners to the crease to make two long thin triangles.

3. Fold the top corner down to meet the two triangles.

4. Make a 6cm cut here. This will become the tail.

5. Fold the paper in half along the central crease.

6. Draw some eyes and a smile on your whale.

7. Make a small hole at the top. Fold the tail back over the body to the edge of the cut you made earlier. Then fold over once again as shown. Unfold the tail and separate the two ends of the tail at the cut.

The Blowhole

8. On the 8 x 8cm square of white paper, draw a line 1cm from the edge. Cut strips up to the line as shown.

9. Tightly roll the paper into a tube. Gently open up the strips and curl each one around a pencil to make the water coming out of the whale’s blowhole.

10. Slot the water into the hole.
George the giant has lost his shirt and tie!
Can you show George which two paths he must take to find them?

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What’s your favourite book?
Gruffalo.com
**Twisty Cheese Wands**

Work some magic of your own with these twisty cheese wands. They’re so delicious, they will disappear in a flash.

**What to do:**

1. Ask a grown-up to preheat the oven to 180°C/Gas Mark 4.

2. Grease the baking tray by dipping a piece of kitchen roll in butter and rubbing it all over the baking tray.

3. Put the flour and butter in the bowl and rub together with the tips of your fingers until the mixture is like crumbly breadcrumbs.

4. Add the grated cheese and mix with your hands. Add ¾ of the beaten egg and mix well to make the pastry dough.

5. Shape about ¼ of the dough into a small ball and set aside for the stars. Shape the rest of the dough into a larger ball to make the wands.

6. Sprinkle some flour onto a clean surface and roll out the big ball of pastry with the rolling pin. Aim for a rectangle that’s about 25cm long and 12cm wide.

7. Use your butter knife to cut your rectangle across the width into twelve equal strips.

8. Hold a pastry strip with one hand at each end and twist it. Place it carefully on the baking tray. Repeat with the other strips of pastry.

9. Now roll out the smaller ball of pastry dough so it’s about the same thickness as the strips.

10. Press the star cutter into the pastry to make 12 stars.

11. Brush a little of the leftover beaten egg onto the end of each wand and press a star on top. Brush the rest of the beaten egg over the wands.

12. Ask your grown-up to put the baking tray in the preheated oven. Bake for about 15 minutes or until your wands are golden brown. Leave to cool.

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**You will need:**

- 120g plain flour
- 50g butter (cubed)
- 50g cheddar cheese (grated)
- 1 egg (beaten)
- Extra flour for dusting
- Extra butter for greasing
- A piece of kitchen roll
- A baking tray
- A large mixing bowl
- A small star-shaped cutter
- A rolling pin
- A butter knife
- A pastry brush
Colour in this picture of Charlie Cook reading his favourite book!

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**Animal**
Two middle fingers close onto thumbs

**Bat**
Flutter fingers

**Butterfly**
Flutter hands and move them slightly upwards and forwards

**Beak**
Begin sign with hands closer together then draw apart

**Big**
Begin sign with hands closer together then draw apart

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