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Once Upon A Tide, by Art Apart

- Pick your favourite turtle and give her or him a backstory.
- Group activity: Create as many oceans as you can using just sound. Use any means available to you/household objects and create different sound textures. How many oceans can you create? How do they sound together?
- Draw a turtle shell and colour it or fill it up, giving it any regional or personal identity.
- Group activity: Look for the word for “father” and “happy birthday” in as many languages as you can.
- You already know that Bahadur is a foodie. Create a recipe of your own specifically for Bahadur.
- Search on the internet for a turtle named “Diego” and find out his story. Why is he important?
- Group activity: Find as many ways as possible to walk like a turtle.
- Group activity: Sing “We’re All Around” (Song in the film)
- Group activity: Make groups and sing “Happy Birthday” at different paces and rhythms. Make sure you don’t sing in tune!
- Draw different waves and what you see in between them.

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- Group activity: Assume you are one of Bahadur's eight hundred kids. Give yourself a location on the earth and create dialogues with your siblings.
- How many objects can you find in your house that can be turned into turtles?
- Imagine and create a landscape under the sea. Introduce a turtle into this. Now introduce a completely different sea creature and make the two interact.
- Along with Velas, there are numerous other turtle conservation projects in India as well as abroad. Find out more about them.
- Group activity: Give everyone different locations and countries. Then giving one of them a time cue, find out what time it is at everyone else's places. Then, continuing, plan to reach together to India. (give distances and speed)
- Give a turtle their professional identities: magicians, cooks, doctors, police, teachers, etc.
- These turtle siblings can talk to each other even when they're not together. How do you talk to someone who is far away from you? Write a message to someone you know, and find a way to deliver it to them.
- Show live footage of turtle hatchlings. What message would Bahadur have for these new born babies getting ready to explore the oceans. How would he bid them farewell? Write it down.
- Create an ocean of your own without using the colour blue.
- In the film, some turtles are close to each other and some are really far. Some travel a lot of distance and some are only a few steps apart. What is near and what is far for you? Show through a drawing.

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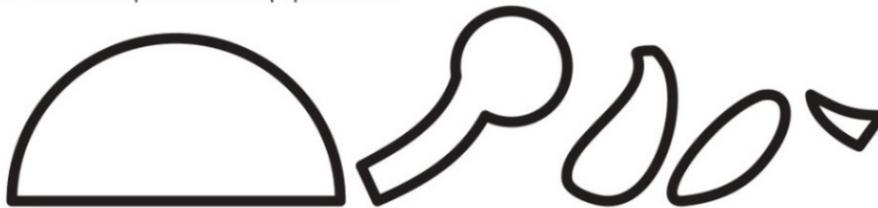
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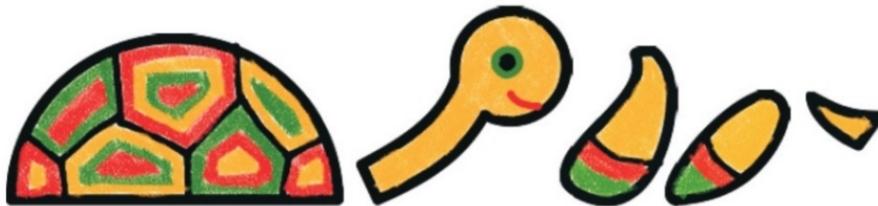
Making Turtle Stick Puppet

Material : Thick paper or card, Black sketch pen, Colour pencils or chalks, Scissor, Glue and Stick

Draw these shapes on a thick paper or card



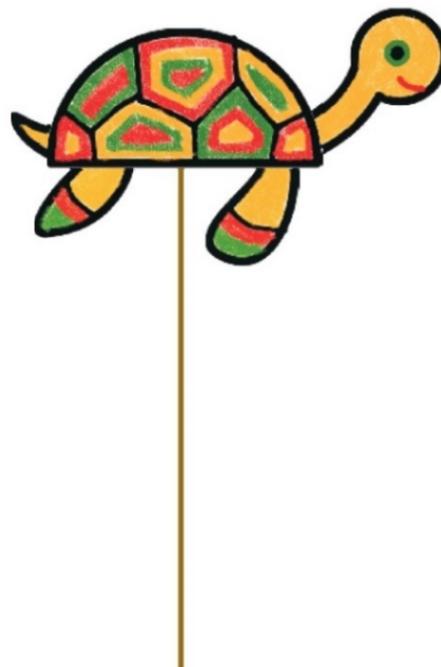
Paint these shapes in different colours and patterns.



Cut them neatly and paste all the shapes in the given order.



Paste the stick at the backside.
Your puppet is ready to play with.



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