

BIBLE LESSONS

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LESSON 1: YOU ARE SPECIAL

AIM: That the child get a clear understanding of their uniqueness and their individuality in the sight of God. That they understand that they were born with God’s full knowledge and that each child is special—no one is an ‘accident’. That each child is confident that God loves them individually.

OPENING IDEAS: Call out the description of a child, e.g. ‘someone wearing a green t-shirt, blue sneakers, brown curly hair’, etc, and the rest of the children try to identify the child. Bring the child to the front. Repeat the process again with another child. With both children at front, ask children to identify differences between each child. (Do not allow children to ridicule the selected children.)

EXPAND THE IDEA: For children to get some idea of their uniqueness, explain that every child is different to others ... in the room, in the school, in the district, in the city, in the state, in the country, in the world, etc.

ACTIVITY: Cardboard tags (could use star shape), stamp pad. Every child to put thumbprint on tag and write memory verse on back. These may be pinned onto clothing.



MEMORY VERSE:

Psalm 139:13 “You created every part of me” or
Ephesians 2:10 “God has made us what we are.”

LESSON OUTLINE:

Question: Who has tried to count the stars? How many did you count? Did you count all of them?

Scientists tell us there are 200 billion billion stars. Can someone write that number on the board? (Give the opportunity to some children. The answer should look like 200,000,000,000,000,000,000.)

The Bible says God not only created the stars, but also called them by name (Psalm 147:4, “He has decided the number of the stars and called each one by name”). God cares about them, He keeps them in order. Stars are not little things. The sun is a star, it is so large that the earth would fit into the sun over one million times.

God doesn’t only care about big things but also small things. The Bible tells us that God knows when a sparrow falls to the ground (Matthew 10:29). Most of all God cares about YOU!

(Make paper jackets or posters or stars. Write the following headings on them and use children for display as you explain each one:

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| God made you | - | Psalm 139:13 |
| God knows you | - | Psalm 139:2-4.16 |
| God cares for you | - | Matthew 10:30,31 |
| God knows your name | - | John 10:3 |
| God loves you | - | John 3:16 |

MATERIALS: Cardboard tags, pins, pencils, stamp pad, butchers paper or cardboard, textas, chalk

GOD CREATED YOU

Have you ever tried to count the number of stars in the night sky? Scientists tell us there are something like 200 billion billion stars in the cosmos. That's 200,000,000,000,000,000,000.



The Bible says God not only created the stars, but He also named them. Psalm 147:4 says, "He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name." If you give something a name it shows you care about it.

Stars are not small. The sun is a star. It is more than a hundred times bigger than earth. God cares about everything He creates, the big and the small. He tells us in His Word that not even a little sparrow falls to the ground without Him knowing (Matthew 10:29-31).

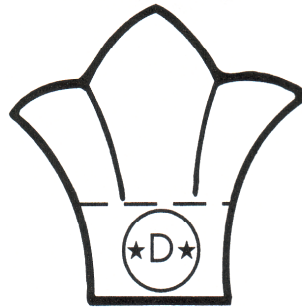
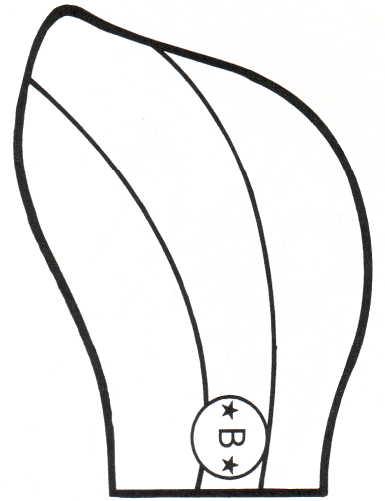
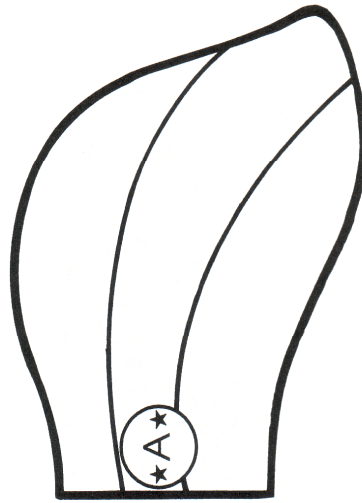
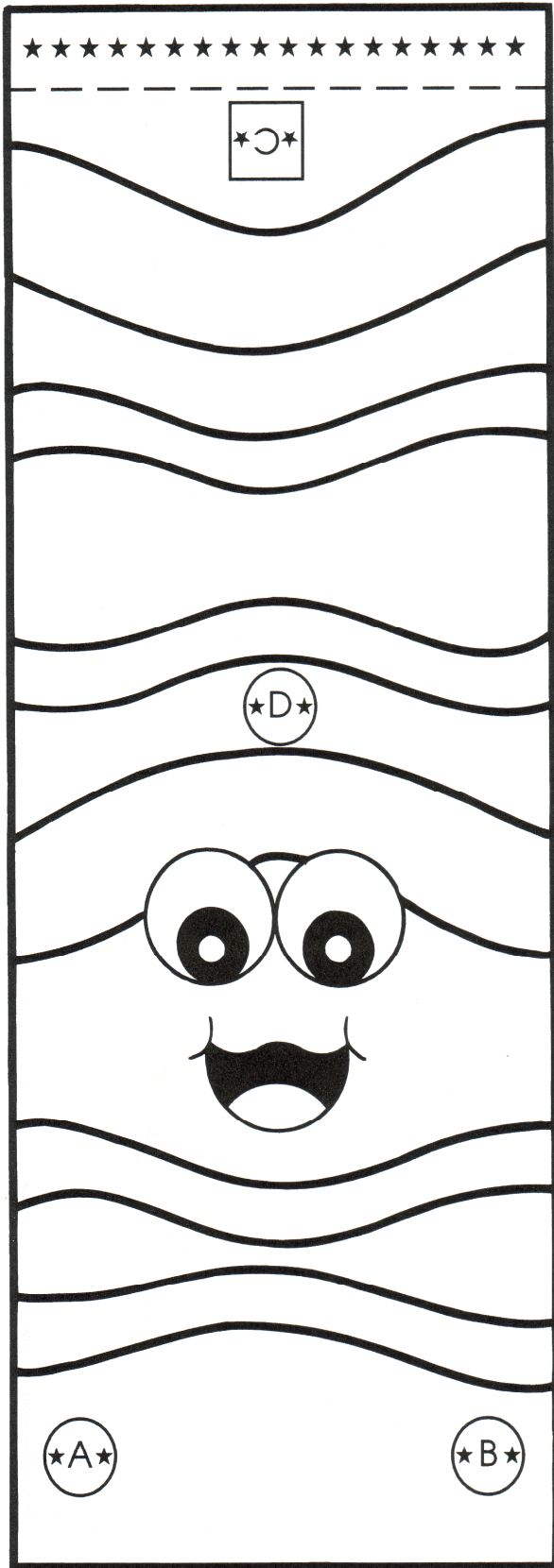


God made you (Psalm 139:13). God knows you (Psalm 139:2-4, 16). God knows your name (John 10:3). God loves you (John 3:16). You are precious to Him like priceless treasure. Your value is that you are made in God's image and you never lose your value. Your value does not depend upon your behaviour, but upon His grace (Eph.2:4-10). God gives you your value because He created you. You are valued by Him just because you exist.

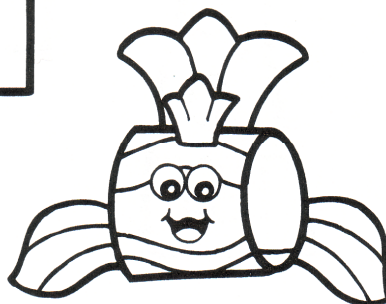
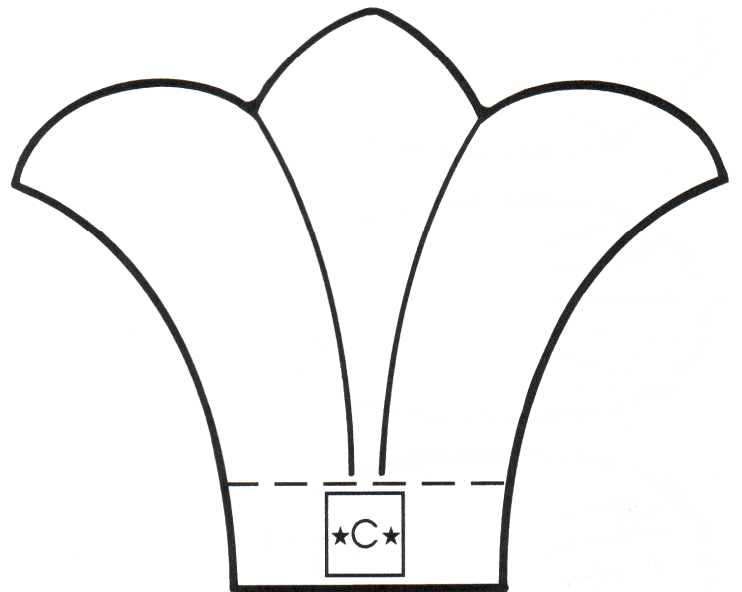


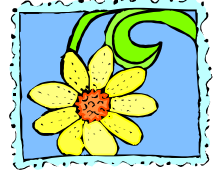
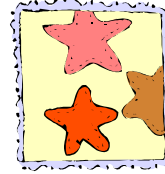
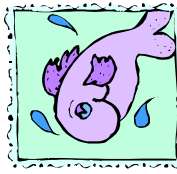
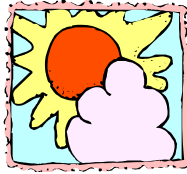
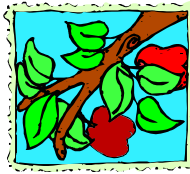
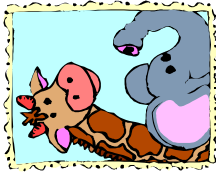
God cares about the stars, the birds (Lk.11:24), and everything He created, but most of all He cares about YOU! He looks at you and says, "That's very good!" (Genesis 1:31).

Fish



- MAKE A FISH**
1. Cut out the five shapes and colour them.
 2. Place glue along star line and join it up to other end of body .
 3. Take tail shape C, fold on dotted line and glue it to C on body.
 4. Take fin shape A, fold on dotted line and glue it to A on body.
 5. Repeat with B and D.





GOD is CREATOR

WORD SEARCH

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God looks at you and says, "..... very good!" (Genesis 1:31)

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| 1. night | 11. animals | 16. trees |
| 2. day | 12. man | 17. flowers |
| 3. water | 13. woman | 18. grass |
| 4. land | 14. God | 19. insects |
| 5. sea | 15. rest | 20. creation |
| 6. sun | | |
| 7. moon | | |
| 8. stars | | |
| 9. fish | | |
| 10. birds | | |

WORDSEARCH - GOD MADE YOU!

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WORD LIST

TUMMY
HAIR
FINGERS
FEET
LEGS
EYES
MOUTH
CHIN

HEAD
HEART
HANDS
ARMS
KNEES
NOSE
TEETH
NECK

GOD
YOU
TOES
ELBOW
MIND
EARS
VOICE
WONDERFUL

Jesus Blesses the Children - Mark 10:13-16

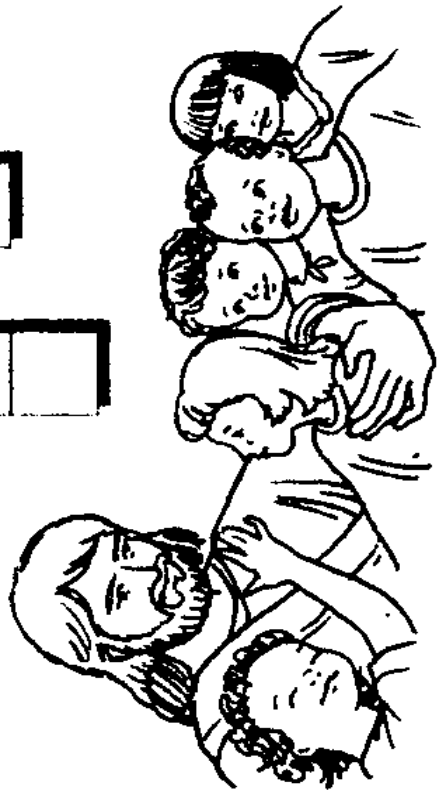
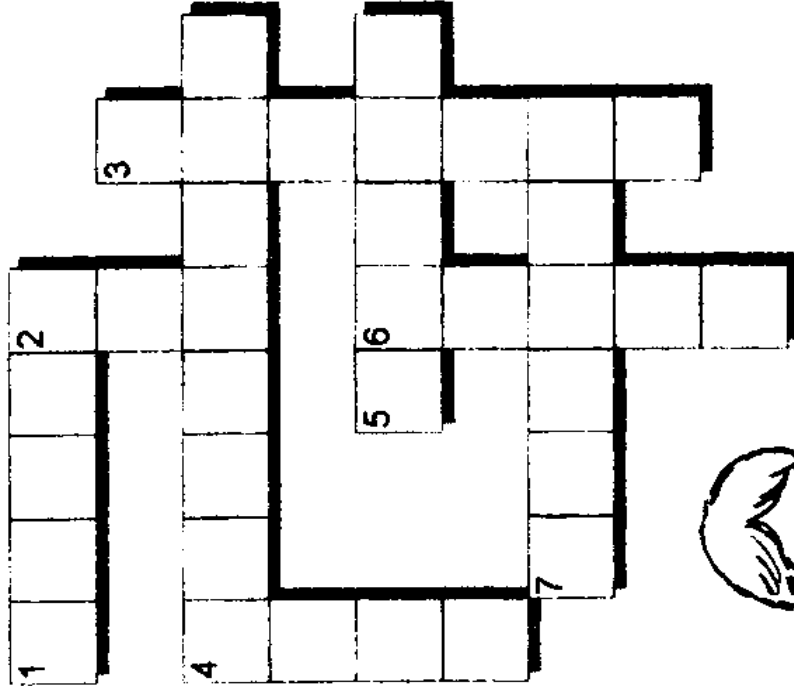
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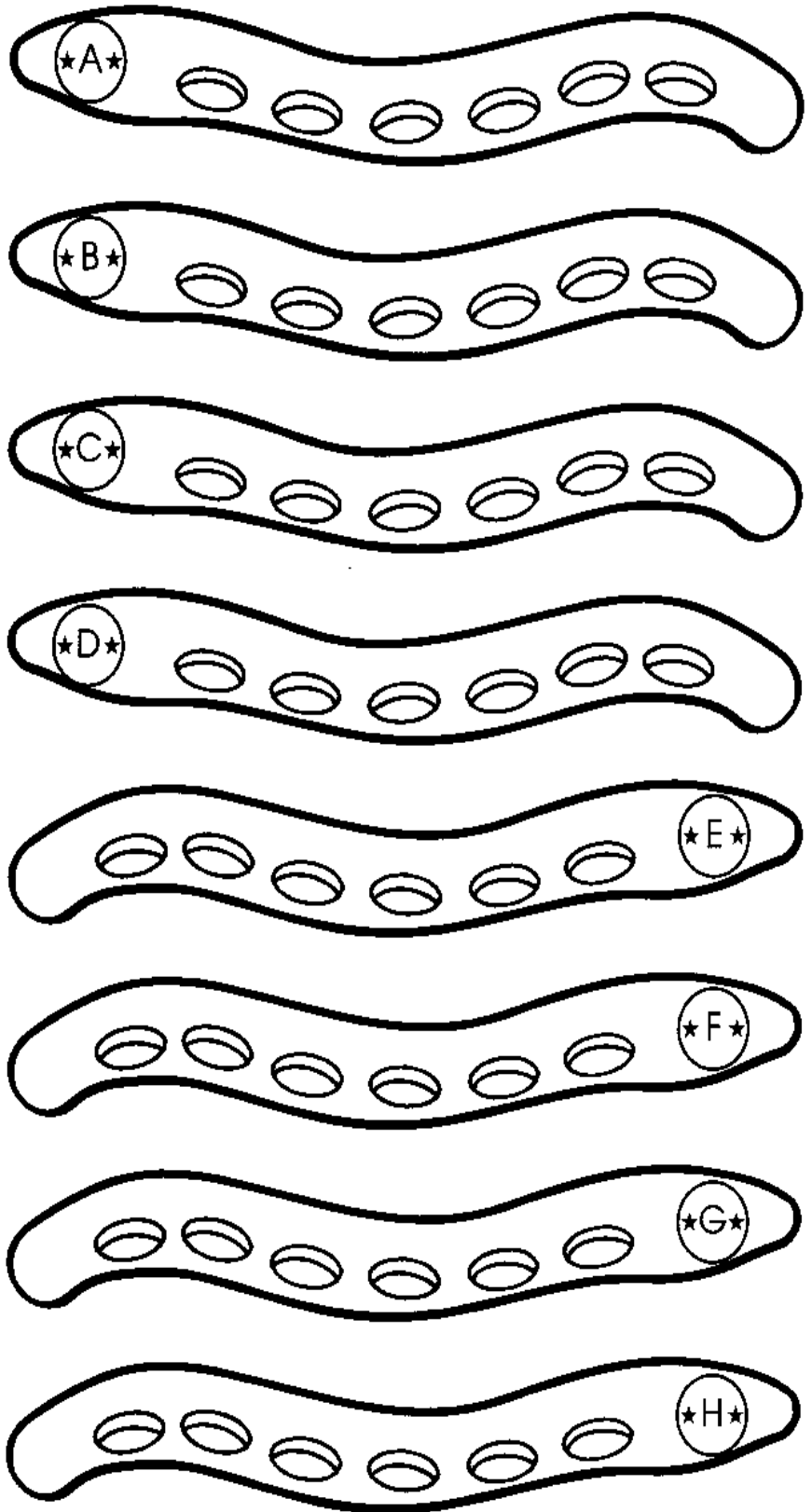
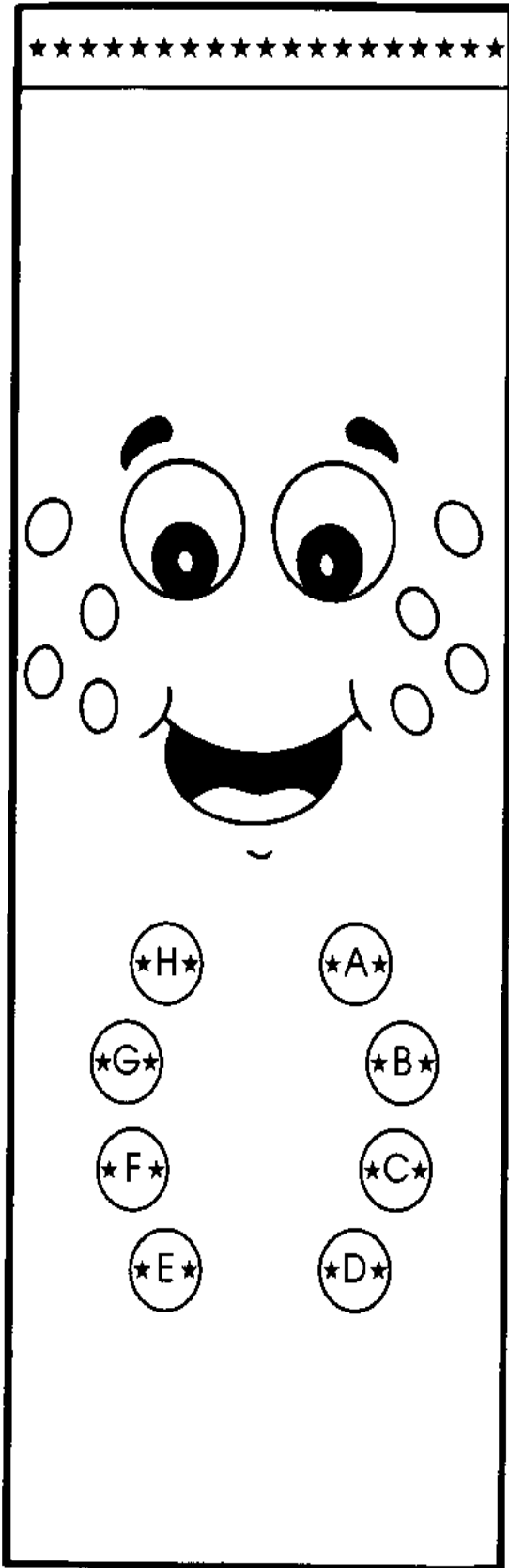
Across

- 1. Not old.
- 4. Little young people.
- 5. God's Son.
- 7. Small; opposite of big.

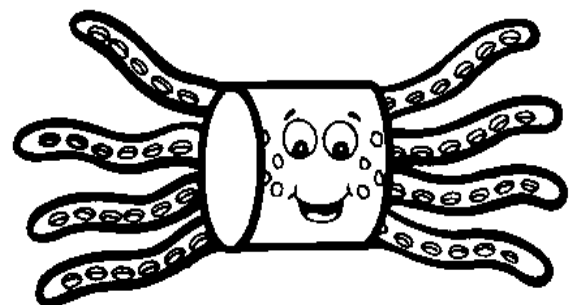
Down

- 2. "Kingdom of _____." Mark 10:15
- 3. Reprimanded, reproved, chided. Mark 13:1
- 4. Jesus will _____ again; rhymes with "thumb."
- 6. To go in; opposite of exit.



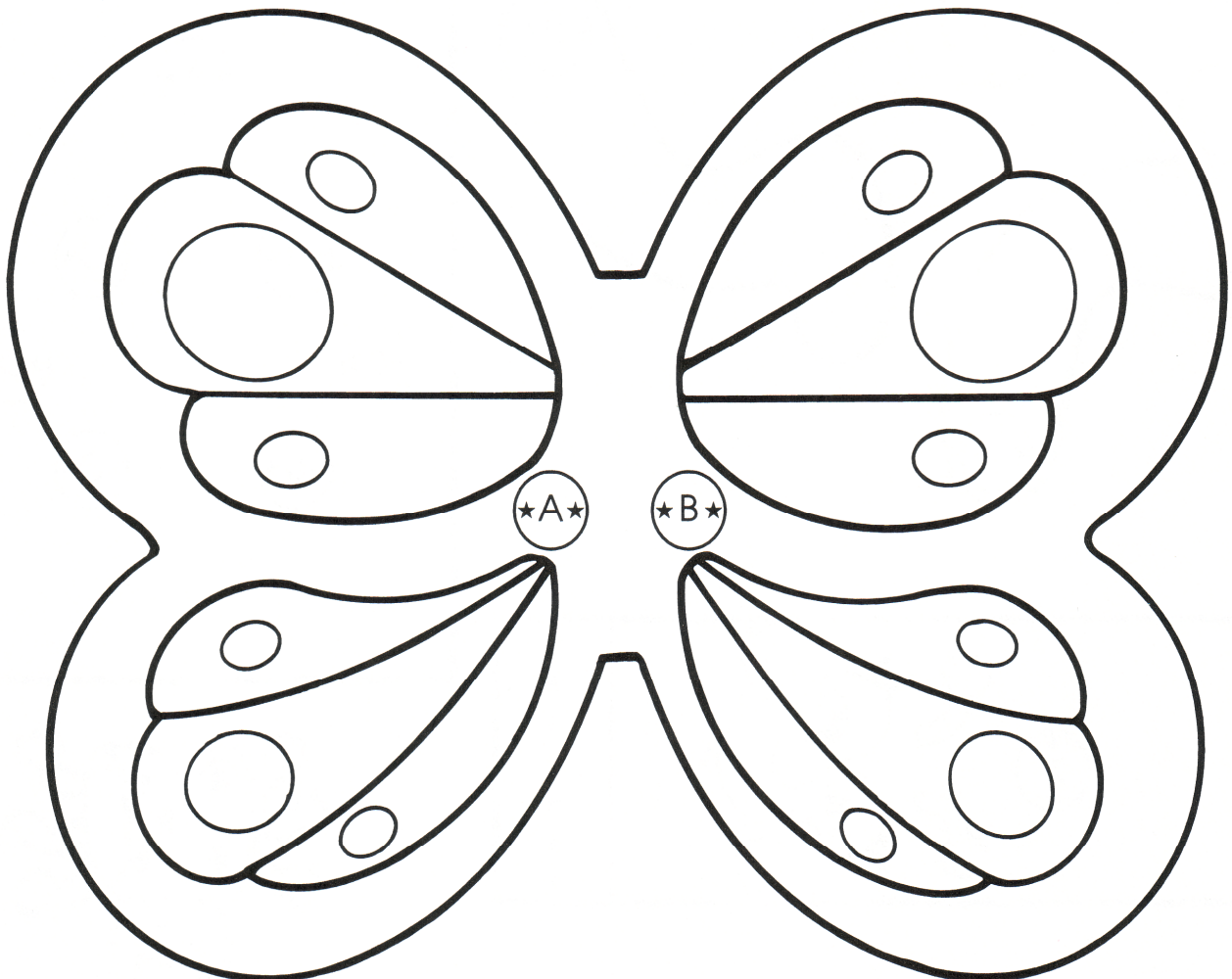
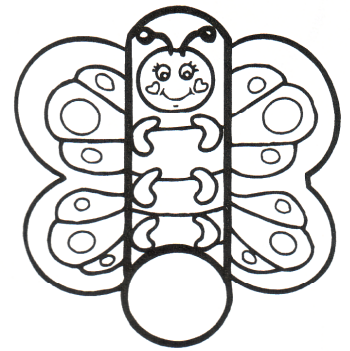
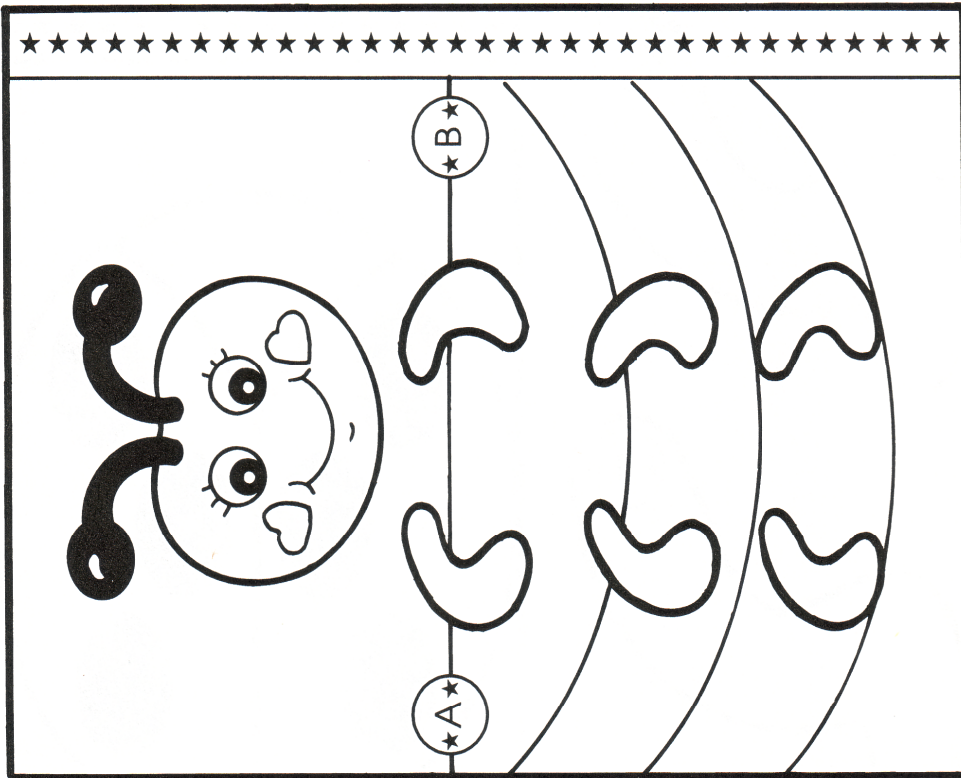


- MAKE AN OCTOPUS**
1. Cut out the body and 8 legs.
 2. Colour and decorate them with glitter and sequins.
 3. Place glue along star line and join it to other end of body .
 4. Take legs marked A to H and glue to matching letter on body.



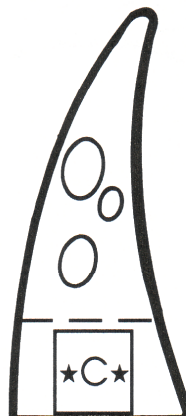
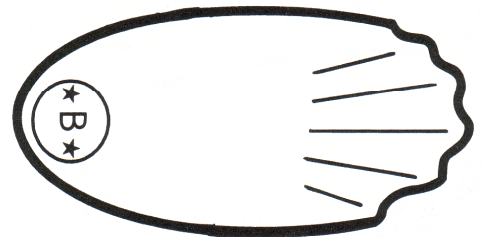
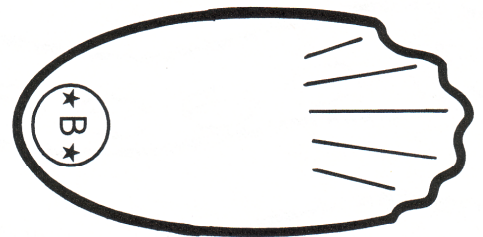
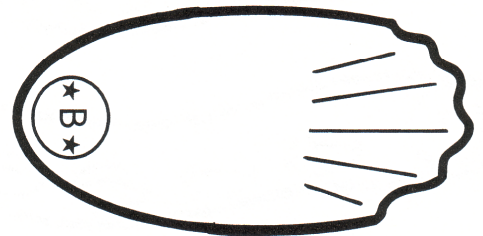
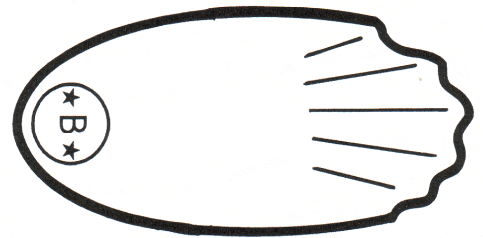
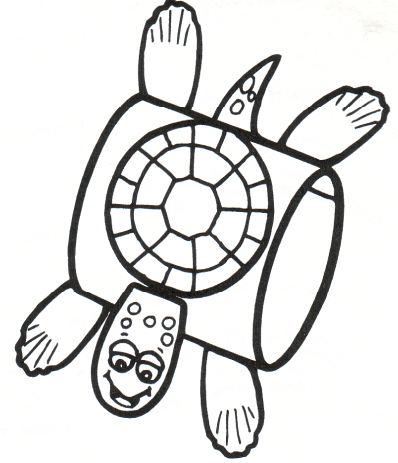
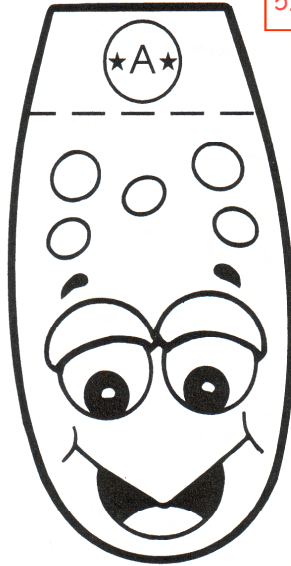
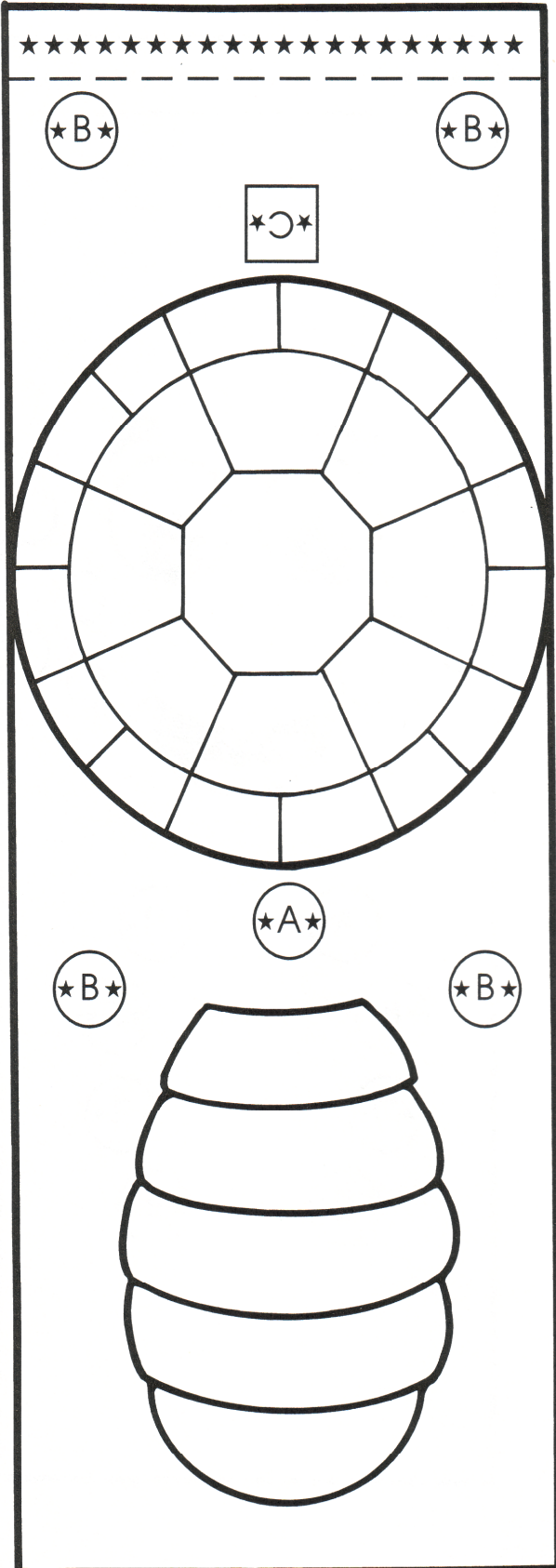
MAKE A BUTTERFLY

1. Cut out body and wings.
2. Colour and decorate them.
3. Place glue along star line and join it to other side of body.
4. Place dot of glue at A and B and glue wings to body.



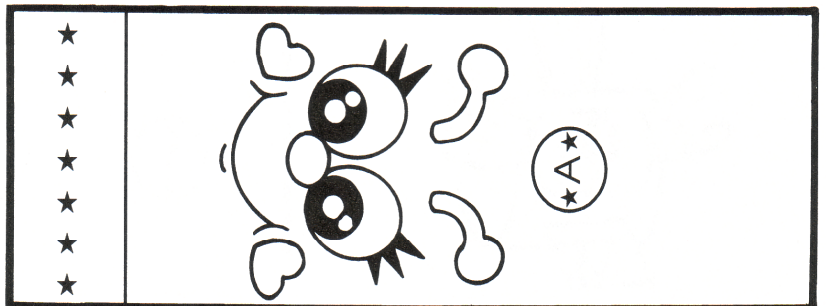
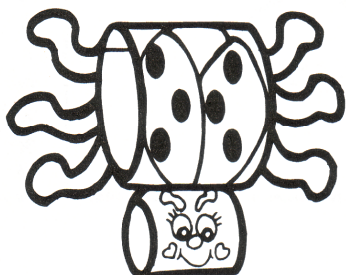
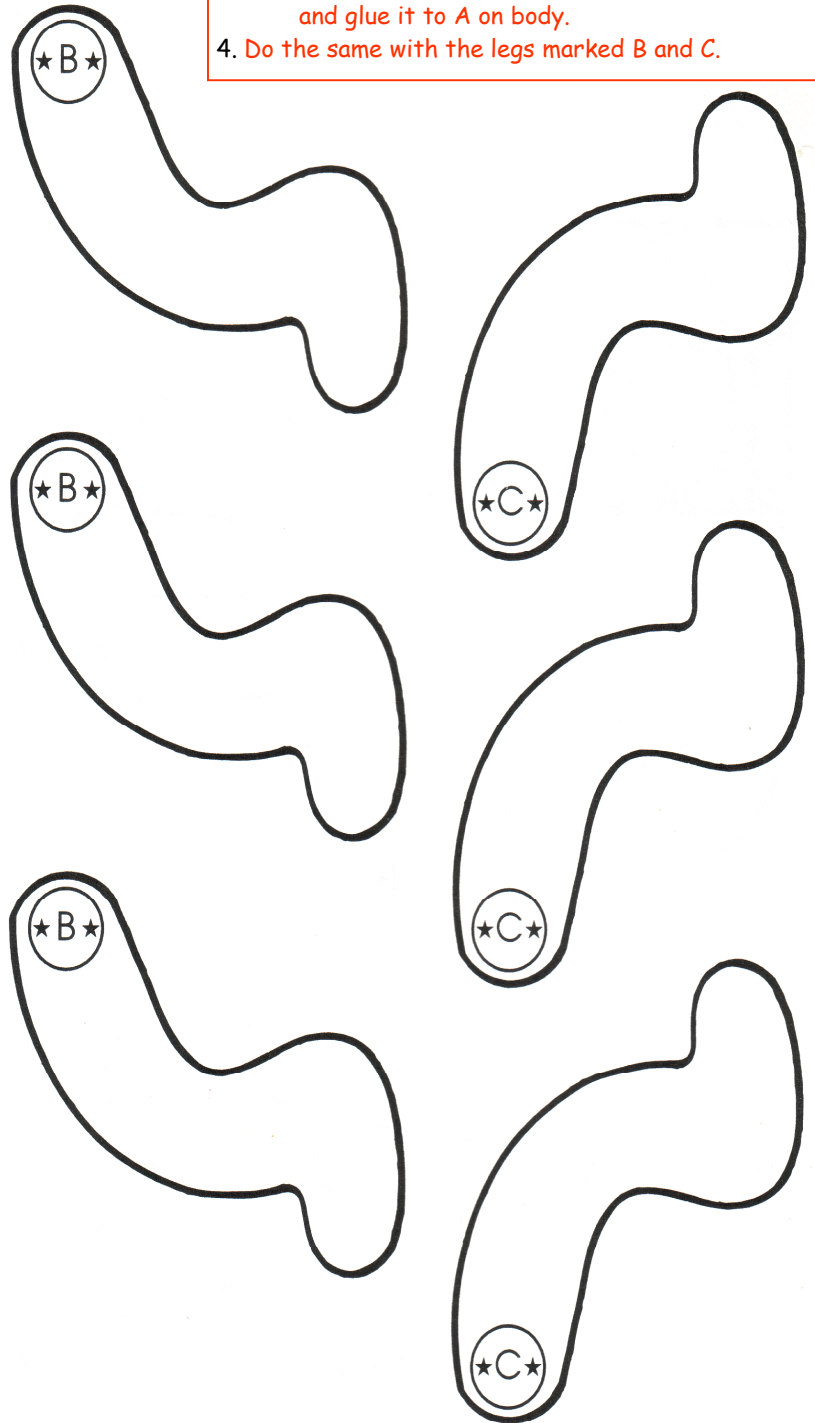
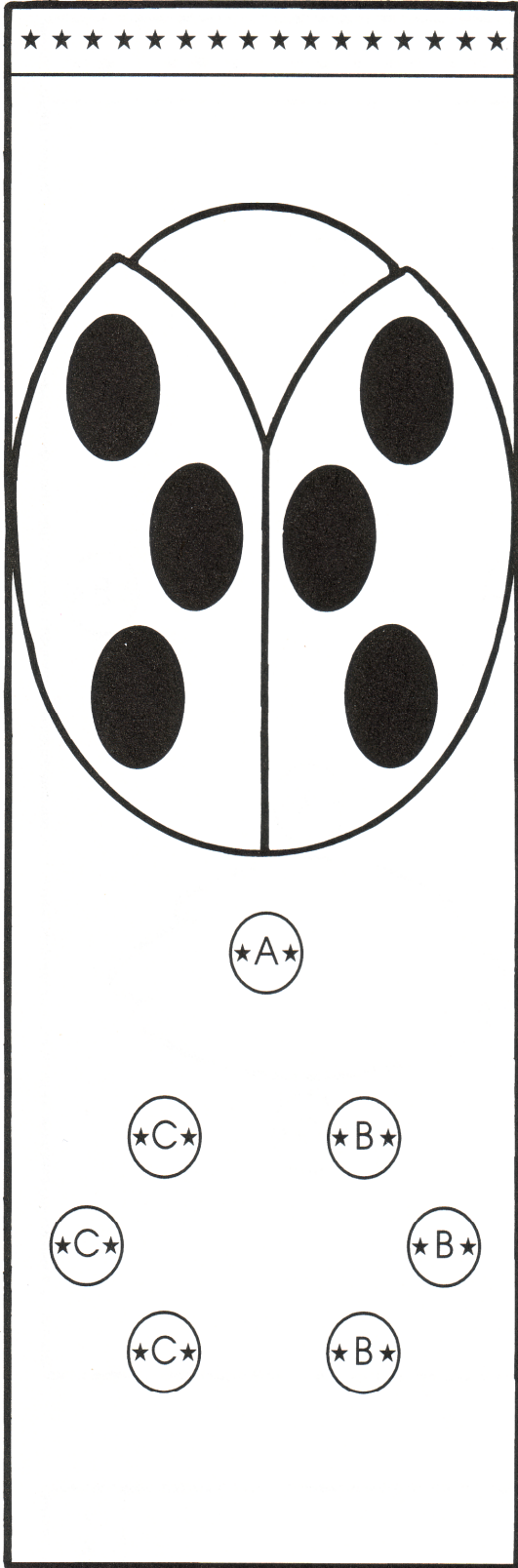
MAKE A TURTLE

1. Cut out the shapes, colour them.
2. Place glue along star line and join to other side of body.
3. Take tail shape C, fold on dotted line and glue it to C on body.
4. Take 4 flippers marked B, and glue them to B on body.
5. Do the same with the head marked A.



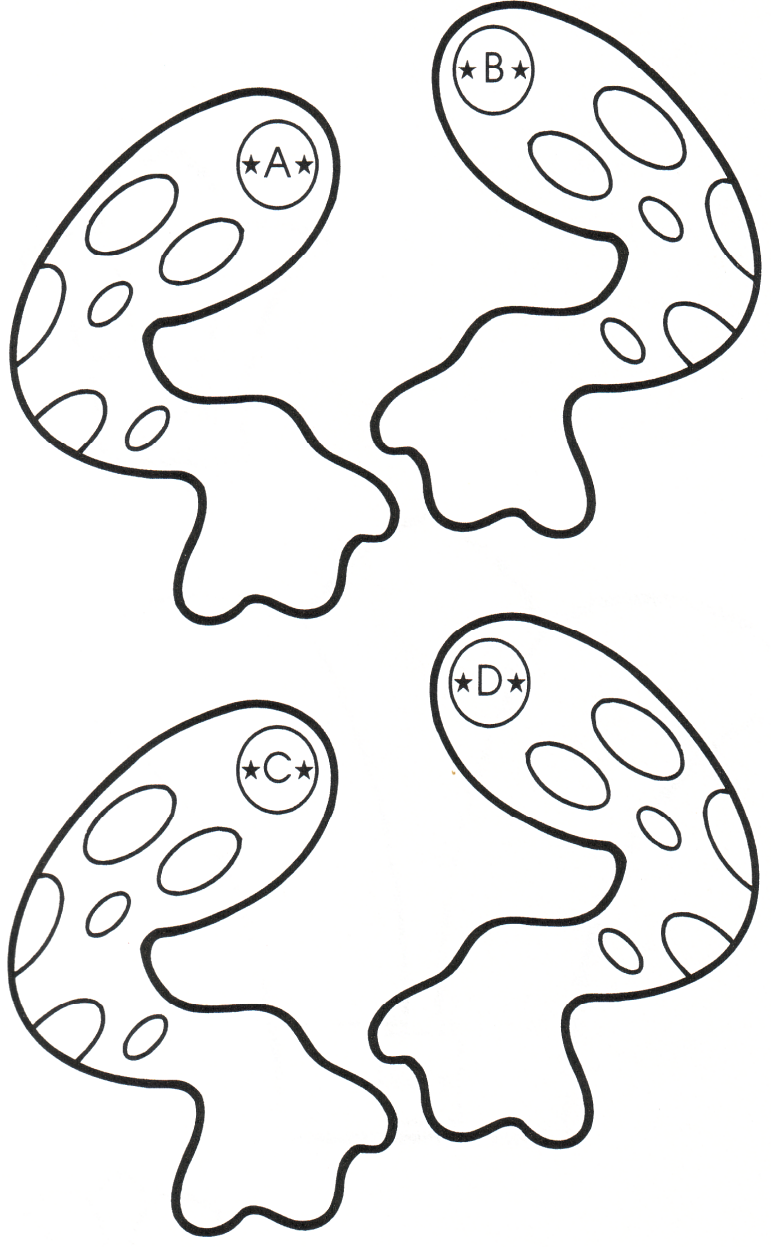
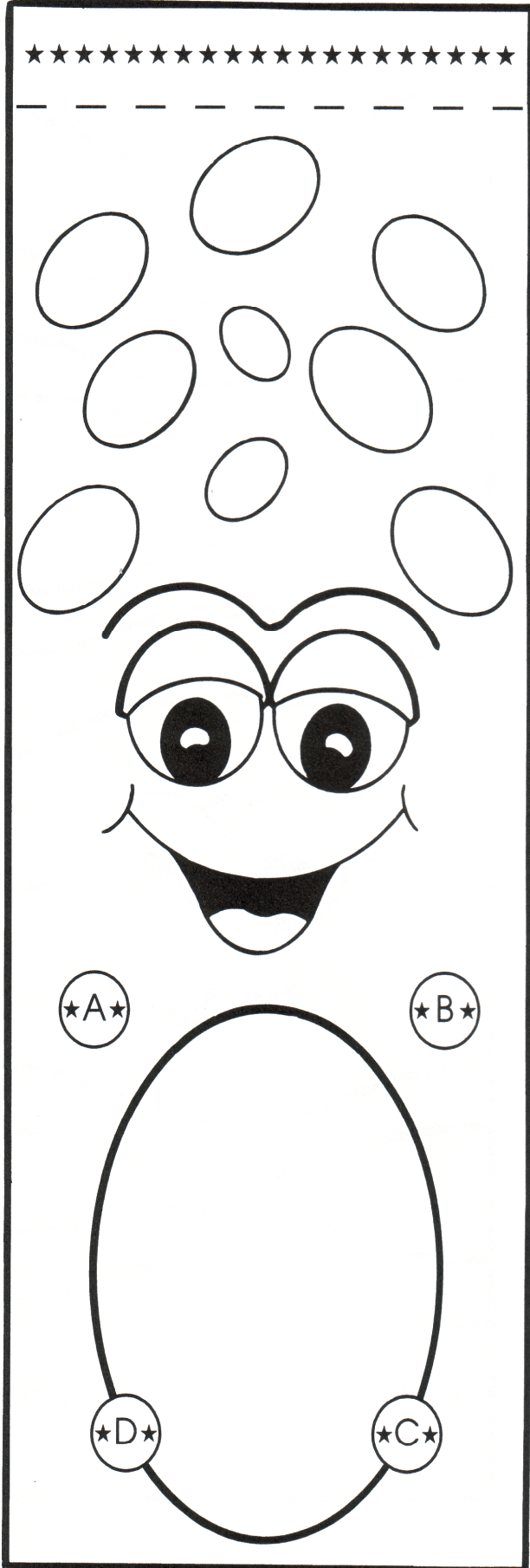
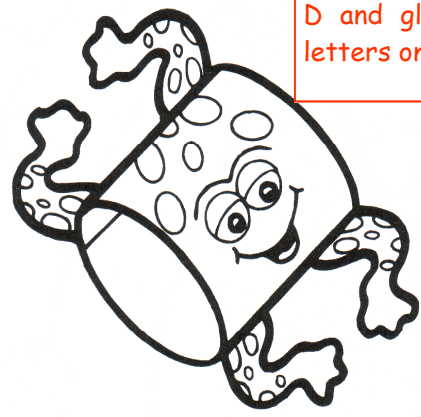
MAKE A LADYBUG

1. Cut out the body, head and six legs. Colour them.
2. Glue along star line and join it to other end of body .
3. Take head marked A, fold on dotted line, and glue it to A on body.
4. Do the same with the legs marked B and C.



MAKE A FROG

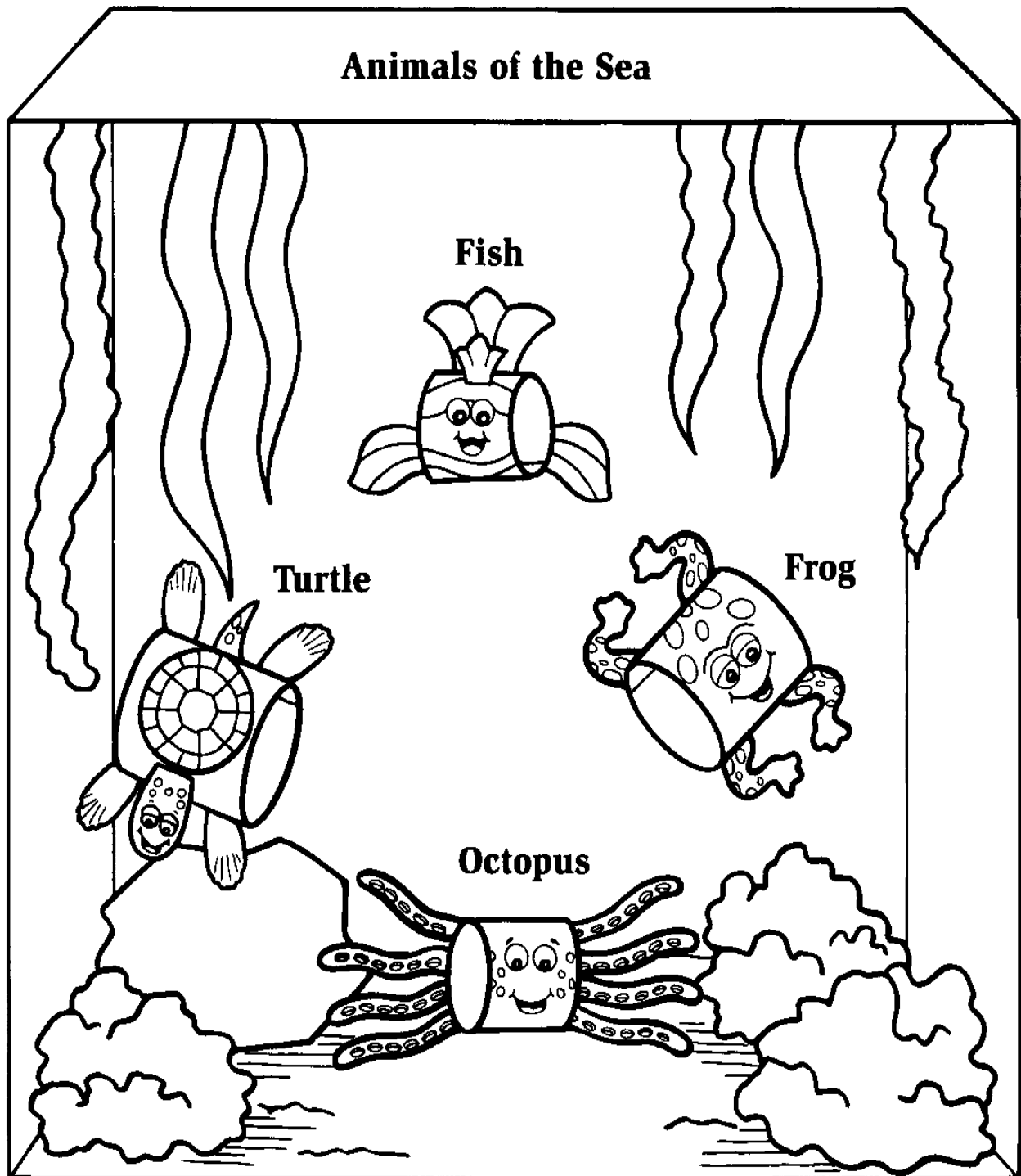
1. Cut out the body and 4 legs. Colour and decorate them.
2. Place glue along star line and join it to other end of body.
3. Take legs marked A, B, C and D and glue them to matching letters on body.

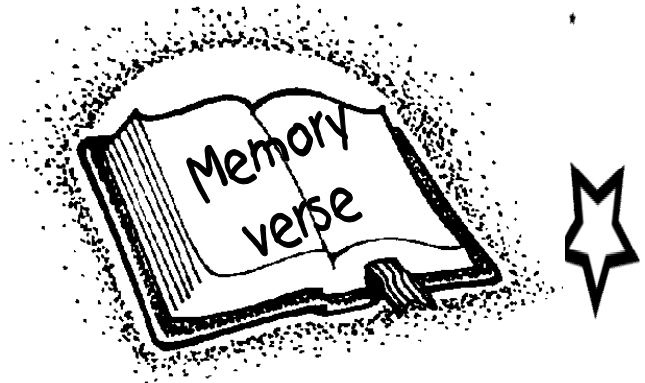
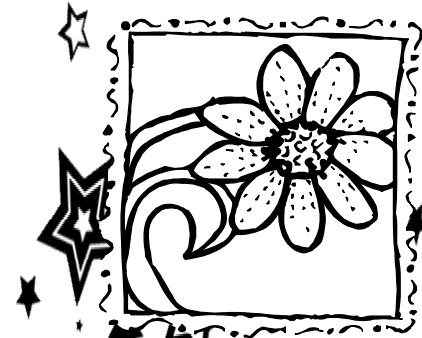
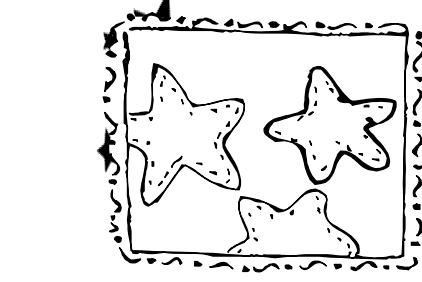
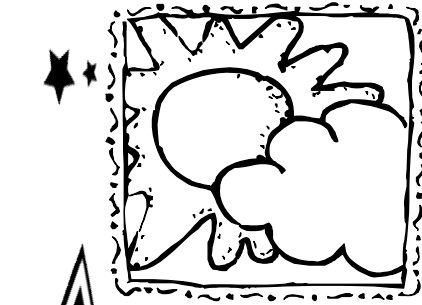
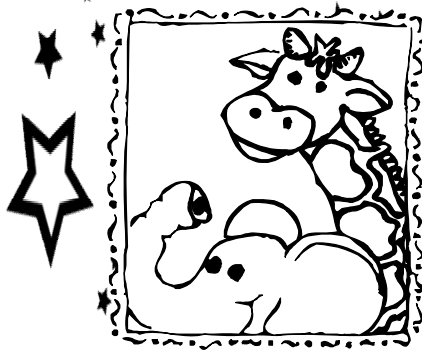


Activities and Diagrams

SEASIDE CRITTERS

Build a wonderful, watery diorama scene to complete your water life units with these friendly critters. Line a shoe box, carton, or section of a bulletin board with aluminum foil. Add green and blue crepe paper streamers for water plants. Crumple up blue, green, and yellow tissues and tape them to the foil for the bottom of the sea. Then add the critters to the scene. Put a few turtles on brown paper rocks, and color the fish many rainbow colors.





"You
created
every part
of me."

Psalm
139 v 13