Stars: teacher guide

Star and 3D slot-together star

One page
for the adult

Materials

- Yellow or gold card (or white paper to colour)
- Scissors
- Hole punch and ribbon (optional)
- Thin card (160–200 gsm)
- Thread for hanging (optional)

Time

- Star: 10–20 minutes (longer for fine detail)
- 3D slot-together star: 15–25 minutes (longer for fine detail)

What it practises

- Scissor control on straight lines and sharp corners (cutting in to a corner and out again)
- Following picture steps in order
- Matching two halves (the 3D star slots)

Three levels

- Easy: two big stars, thick lines. Children cut, adults help with the inner corners.
- Standard: six stars for a garland; pairs for the 3D star.
- Fine detail: twelve small stars with cut-away shapes; three 3D pairs with thread holes.

Before you start

Print the easy page on card for under-5s. For the 3D star, an adult can pre-cut the slots for younger children.

Ideas to extend it

Count the points; sort stars by size; write a wish or a kind word on each star of the garland.

Safety

Child-safe scissors for young children. Craft knives (fine detail) are for grown-ups only, on a cutting mat.