

WOOD CRAFTS

TURKEY

This turkey comes in eight pieces. The body is cut from ½ inch craft board and all other parts are cut from ¼ inch craft board. Feet are attached using copper wire and copper wire also forms the hanger.

Holes are drilled in three different places; at the top of each foot, underneath the body part for attachment of the feet, and in the middle feather to provide for a hanger.

The crafter must sand all pieces well to remove all the little “whiskers” and leave the wood smooth. All pieces are then painted white. This acts as a primer and also makes the next coat of colored paint more vibrant. After the white paint has dried, the crafter should sand all pieces one more time.

(Moisture in the paint raises small whiskers that make for a rough finish.)

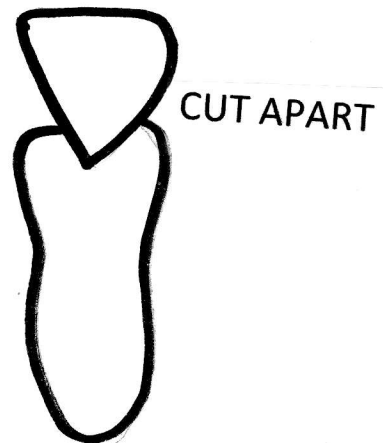
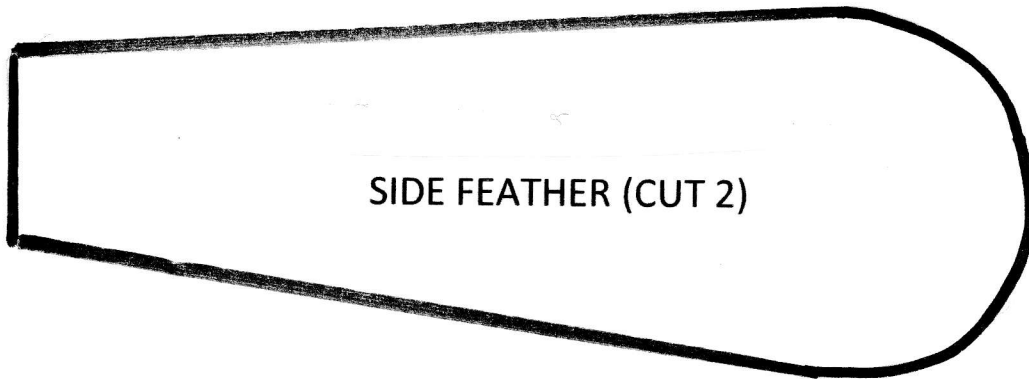
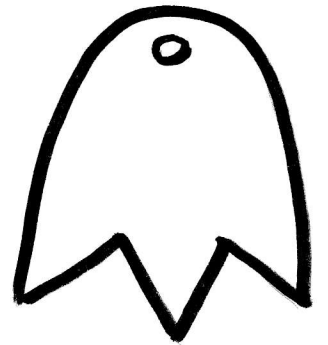
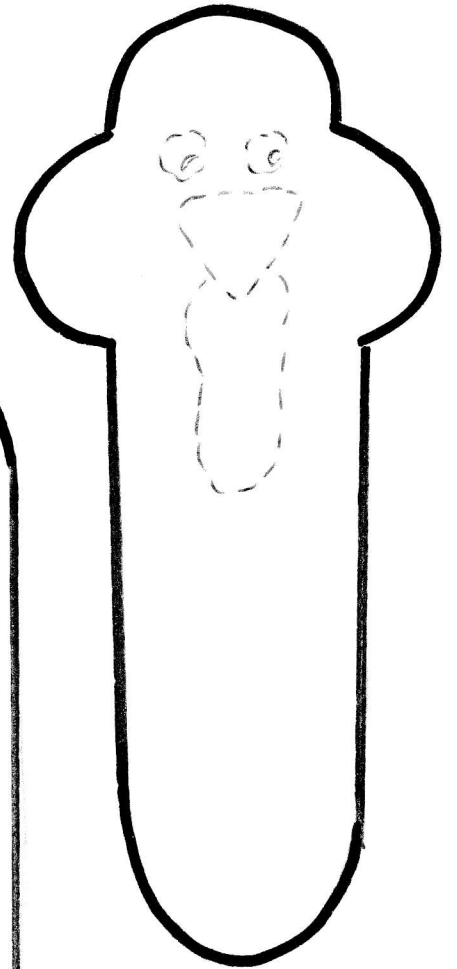
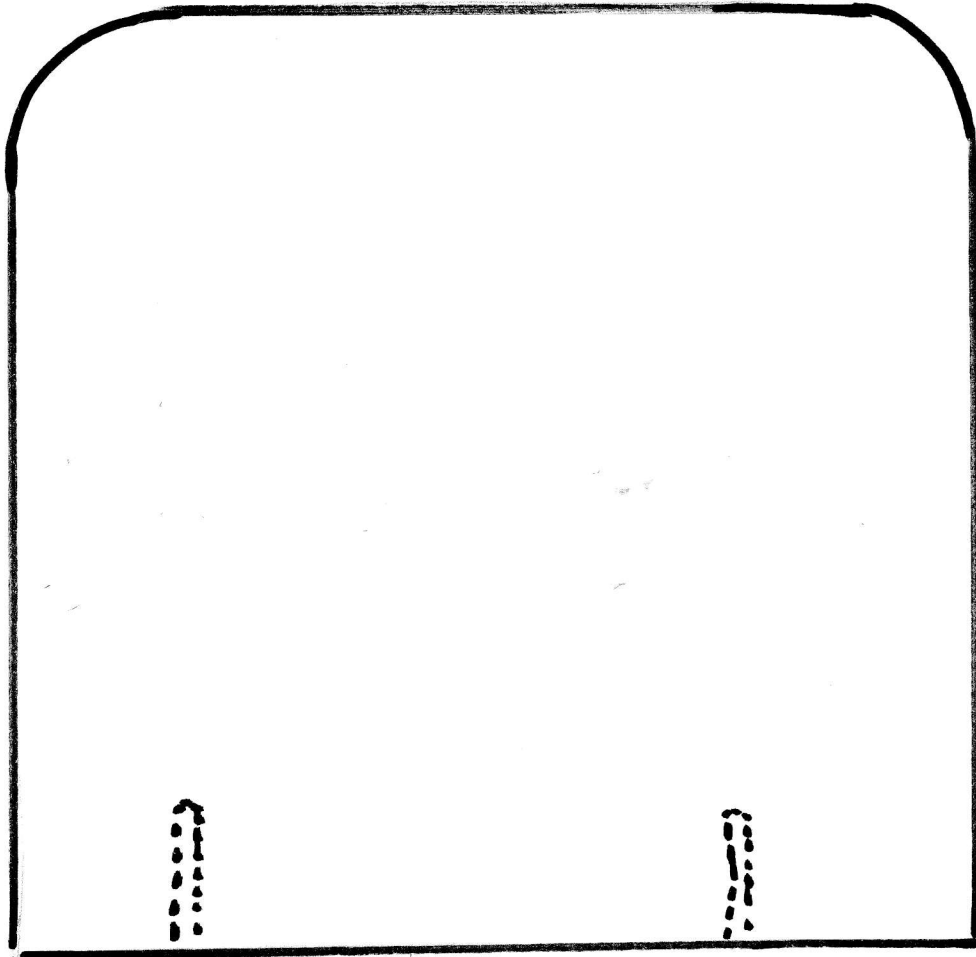
The participant can then choose the colors to use on the bird and paint all pieces two times. Once the paint has dried, the body parts can be attached. Glue the beak onto the head and then attach the waddle and the wiggle eyes. (The waddle and beak could be cut as one piece but if your participant has fine motor difficulty, it would be hard for them to paint. Using two pieces adds more to independence and adds more to the

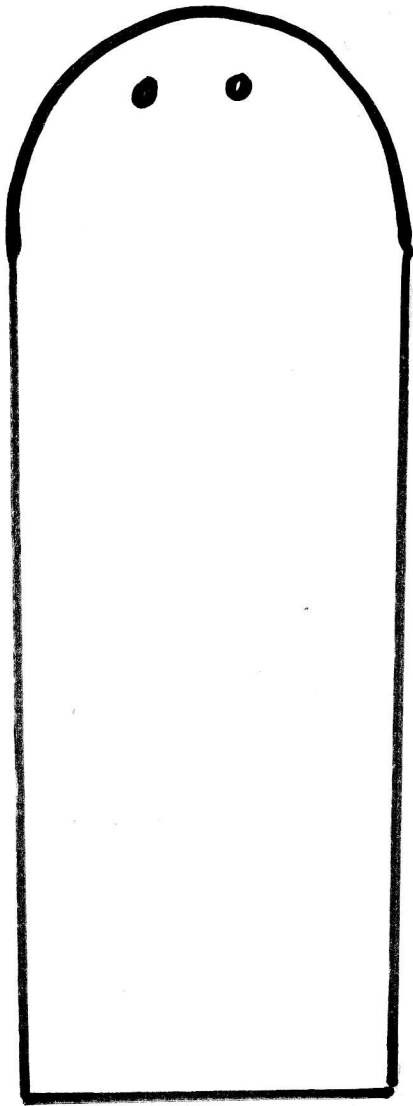
activity | general). Glue the feathers on next, then turn the body over and glue on the head.

When all this glue has dried, the wire can be attached. First cut two lengths of wire and wrap them around a pencil to form the loops. Put one end of each wire through the hole on the turkey's foot and tightly twist the end with needle nose pliers to form a knot. Glue the other end into the small hole on the turkey body. Cut a third wire to form the hanger. Again wrap it around a pencil to form loops and stretch them out a bit. Insert the wire ends into the two holes on the turkey tail and twist with pliers to form a knot.

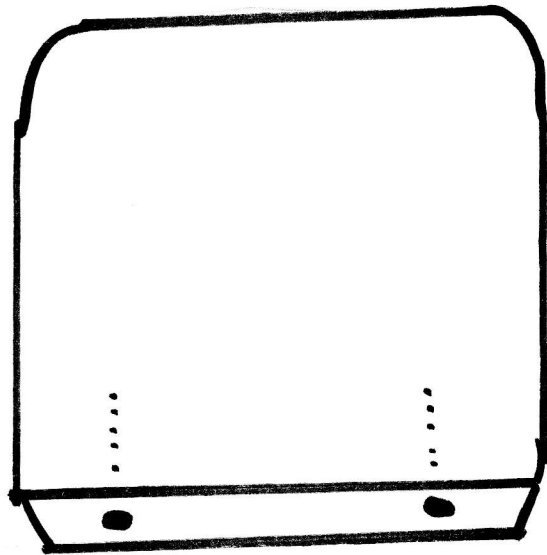
WOODWORKING PATTERN

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CENTER FEATHER



BODY SHOWING HOLES FOR FOOT WIRES