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Ducks in trouble



Three stories about how people in a family helped ducks and broke some rules when they did it.

1. The mum in this family was walking through the middle of a town near where she lived. A small river flowed through the middle of the town. There were ducks and ducklings on the river. At one place the river flowed over a steep concrete slope, through metal bars into a tunnel. The tunnel was dark. The river flowed out of the tunnel between steep sides made of brick that were as high as a grown up. One of the ducklings had swum too close to the metal bars and the water pulled the duckling through the bars and down into the tunnel. The mum saw the duckling as it came out of the tunnel calling for its mummy. She climbed down over the walls into the shallow water and helped the duckling back up the tunnel to its mum.

2. The dad in this family was driving along a busy but quite narrow road in the country near a river. Suddenly in front he saw that cars coming the other way had stopped and the driver in the front car was just sitting there. In the road, running along the gutter, was a line of ducklings. The dad stopped his car, and so stopped the cars behind, and got out of his car into the road. He walked to where the ducklings were. The mother duck was quacking loudly on the other side of the hedge. The dad picked up each duckling and put it through a gap in the hedge and fence. One duckling hit the wire of the fence but was alright when it was put through again.



3. The son in the family was at school – he was aged 14. His school was quite a long walk from a nearby river. One day he and a friend saw a family of ducks – a parent and some ducklings – in the school car park. They looked lost. The son and his friend gently shepherded the ducks out of school, down an alley, across several roads – stopping traffic – until the ducks could get into the river.





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Respond

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Things you will need to make a duckling: Paper plates, glue, stapler, pencils, scissors, yellow and orange card or construction paper, crayons, paint or markers, stick on googly eyes (optional).

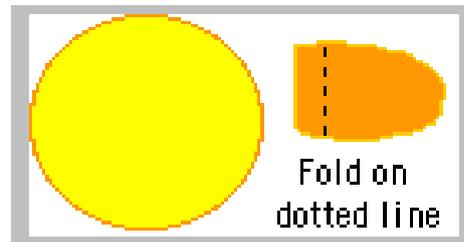
Trace each person's hands on yellow card or construction paper, then cut the hands out. If you don't have yellow card or construction paper, use stiff white paper, then paint it yellow (or use markers).

Fold a paper plate in half. Colour it yellow and let it dry. Staple the hands near the fold on one end - these will be the tail feathers



Using yellow card or construction paper cut out a circle (about 3 inches across or a little bigger) -- this will be the duck's head.

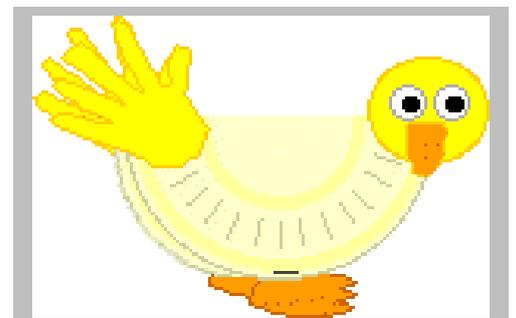
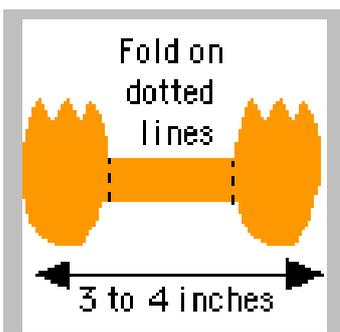
Using orange card or construction paper cut out an elongated oval with one end cut off -- this will be the duck's bill. Fold the end of the beak over, making a small tab (this is where you will put the glue).



Glue the bill onto the circle (put the glue on the small tab that will be folded under the bill). Draw eyes above the bill (or glue on small googly eyes). Staple the head to the paper plate (near the fold line, opposite the tail feathers).

Using orange card or construction paper cut out the duck's feet - they should be connected by a short strip of paper. To draw each foot, start with an oval, then draw a zigzag on one end.

Fold the paper where the feet meet the strip of paper. Staple each foot to the bottom of one side of the paper plate, right inside the fold line of the foot.



You now have a duck that will stand up

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