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Role Play



Children need a chance to try out their ideas and act out their fantasies. This can be done by organising an area in your home where they can play at 'pretending'. A good idea is to have a box full of different clothes and safe objects they could use. Dressing up aids imaginative play and language development and can also help with numeracy. It is an ideal activity for young children.



- ① Organise a hat party where the children have to come wearing different hats. During the party they must act out something linked to their hat e.g. pirate, fire fighter, police officer. Find hat templates on the following pages of this activity.
- ② Put together a hat box. Let your child and their friends try out different hats and ways of using them.
- ③ Provide your child with some cardboard boxes that they can use to create their own world.
- ④ Role play situations could include a theatre or cinema, a café, onboard a ship, at the seaside, a shop, in the jungle.
- ⑤ Get your child to act out some everyday situations using their teddy or doll. e.g. having a meal, going on a trip.
- ⑥ There are many role play activities covering different themes within the Role Play section on iChild.



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Make Your Own Pirate Hat

Use the picture below, or alternatively colour in your own hat on the next page.

Need:

Paper, Card, Glue, Tape,
and Scissors

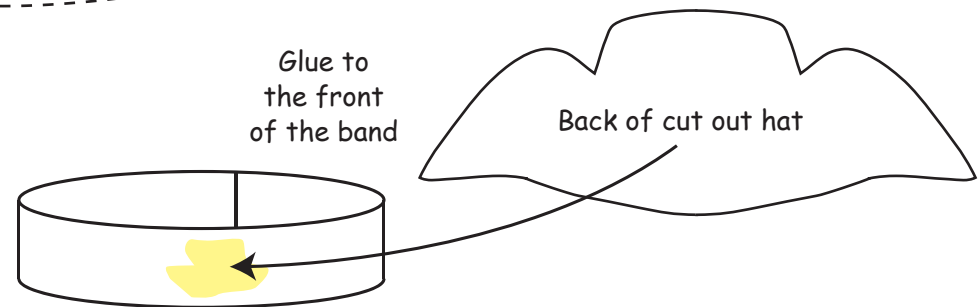


Print out this Pirate hat, then glue to some card and cut it out.

Measure around your child's head and then cut a strip of card that is about 2 inches longer than your measurement. Make the strip about 4cm in height.

Glue/tape the strip to the size of your child's head, overlapping at the back.

Next, glue the cut out hat to the front of the band, do not glue the sides of the hat down, the ends should stick out like a pirate's hat.

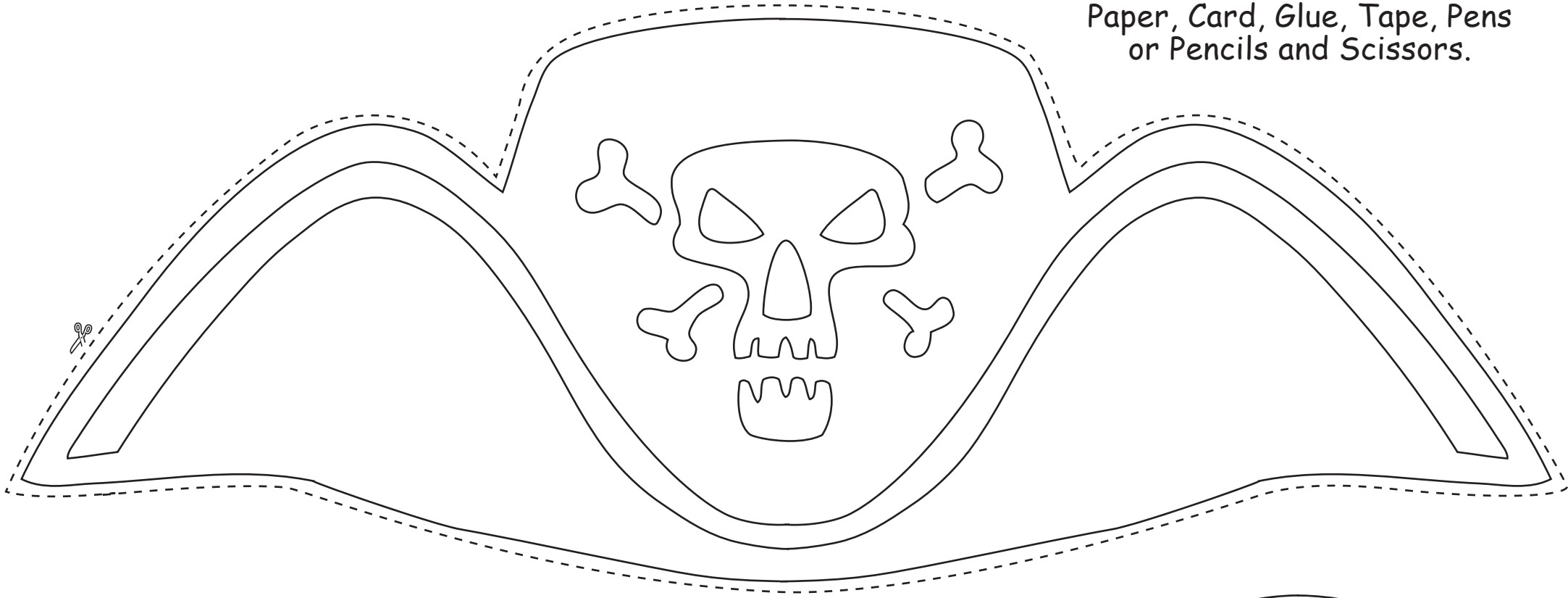


Make Your Own Pirate Hat

Colour in your pirate hat.

Need:

Paper, Card, Glue, Tape, Pens or Pencils and Scissors.

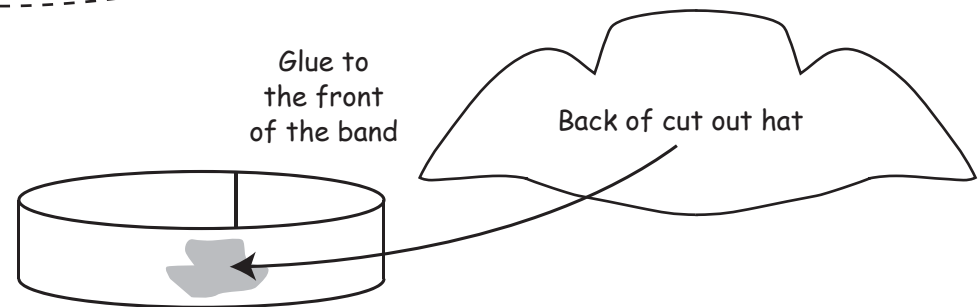


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Make Your Own Fire Fighter Hat

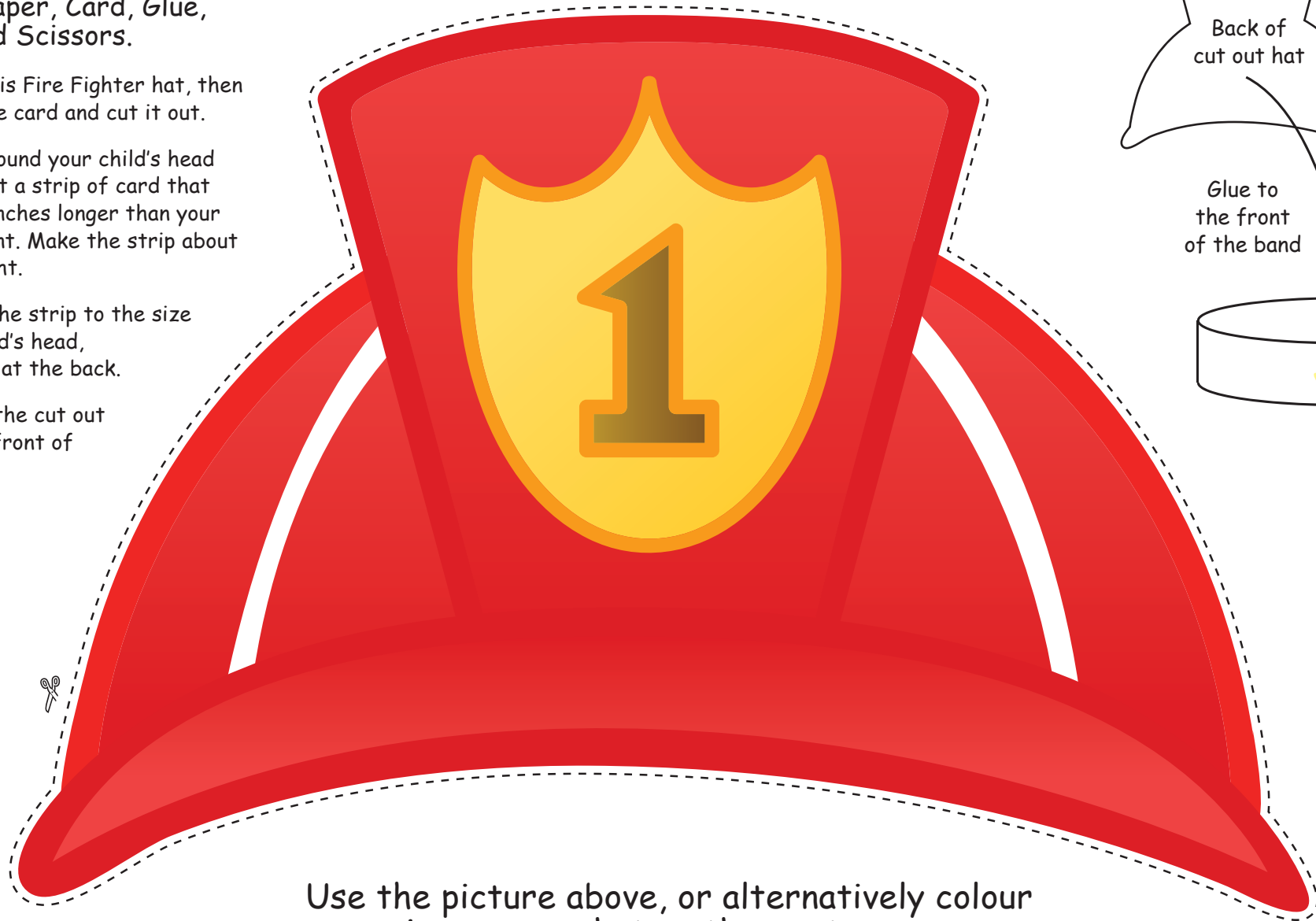
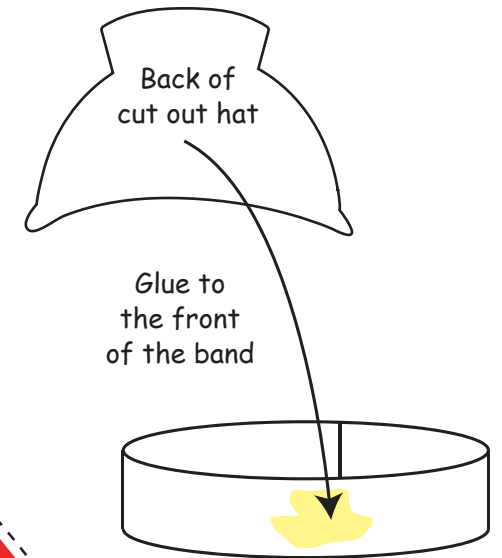
Need: Paper, Card, Glue, Tape, and Scissors.

Print out this Fire Fighter hat, then glue to some card and cut it out.

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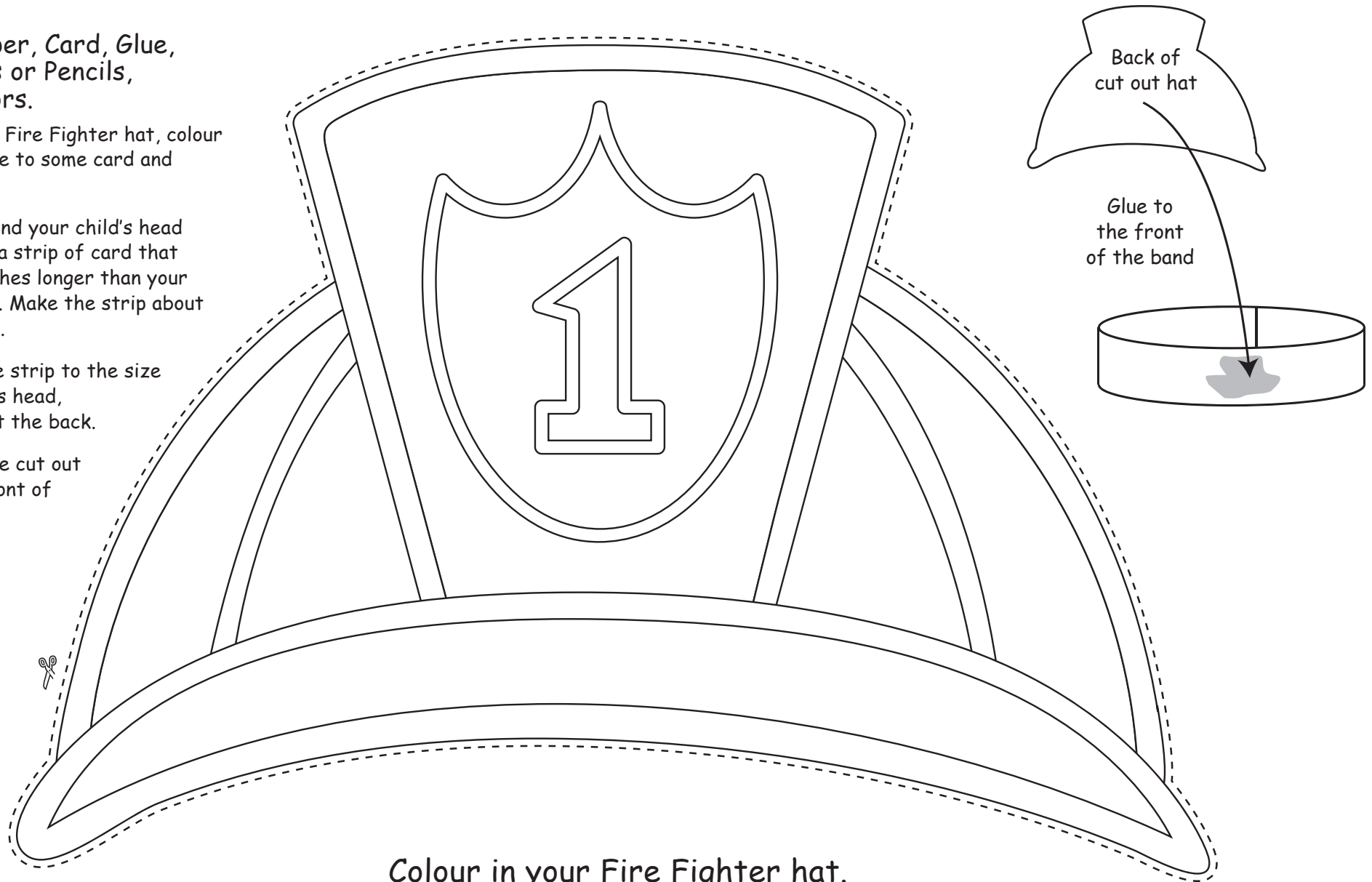
Need: Paper, Card, Glue, Tape, Pens or Pencils, and Scissors.

Print out this Fire Fighter hat, colour it in, then glue to some card and cut it out.

Measure around your child's head and then cut a strip of card that is about 2 inches longer than your measurement. Make the strip about 4cm in height.

Glue/tape the strip to the size of your child's head, overlapping at the back.

Next, glue the cut out hat to the front of the band.



Colour in your Fire Fighter hat.

Make Your Own Police Officer's Hat

Need: Paper, Card, Glue, Tape, and Scissors.



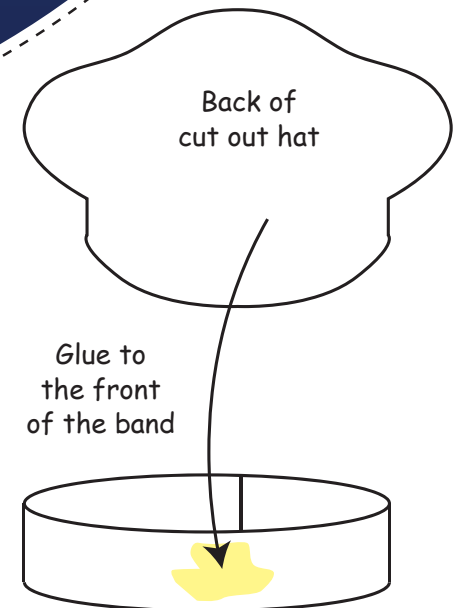
Print out this Police Officer's hat, then glue to some card and cut it out.

Measure around your child's head and then cut a strip of card that is about 2 inches longer than your measurement. Make the strip about 4cm in height.

Glue/tape the strip to the size of your child's head, overlapping at the back.

Next, glue the cut out hat to the front of the band.

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Make Your Own Police Officer's Hat

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Next, glue the cut out hat to the front of the band.

Colour in your Police Officer's hat.

