

Evacuee Teddy Bear Project

Read through this help sheet carefully, each of your tasks are underlined. Before cutting any fabrics or clothes please check it is OK with your adult.

Your new DT project is to design and make your own teddy bear, much like the ones evacuee children took with them to the countryside.

Choose one of your teddies or soft toys to look at. Look closely at how it is made. How are the arms and legs attached? How many pieces is it made of? What is inside the teddy? What key features does it have?



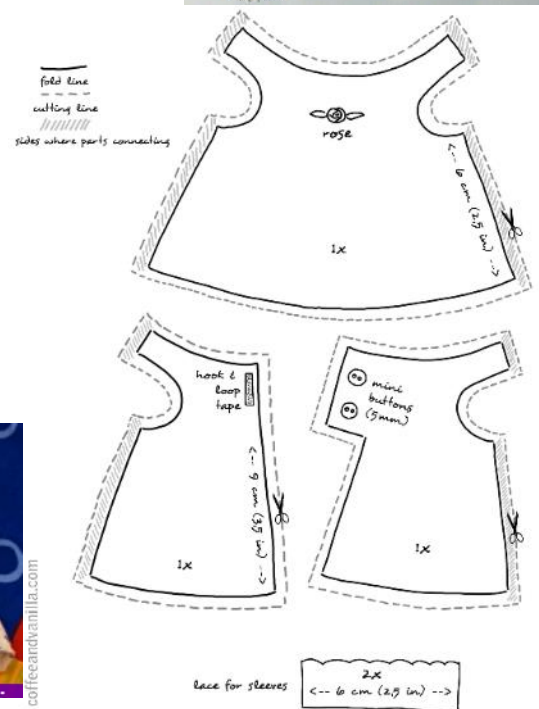
TASK: In your book, write a short explanation of how you think a teddy bear is made.



Patterns

When new clothes or products are being designed, a pattern is used. Here is a pattern for a teddy bear dress.

TASK: Design your own pattern for making your teddy bear. Try to include fold and cut lines and think about how many pieces of material you would need.

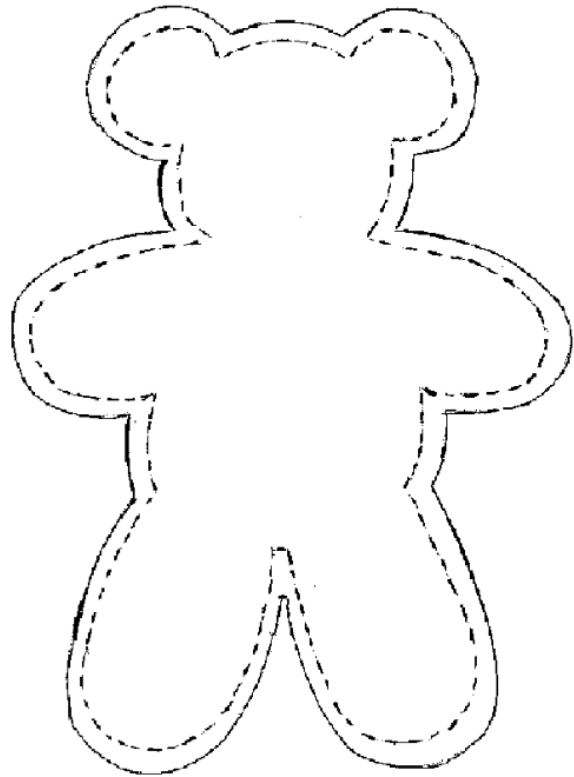


Additional Features

Here is my basic teddy bear pattern. Think about what additional features you are going to include. How will you add these additional features?

TASK: Add these to your pattern or make a list of your ideas.

For example: buttons, beads for eyes, stitched paws etc.



TASK: Making your teddy!

If you are able to, use two pieces of fabric (ideally felt) and cut them into the shape of your pattern, or use a simple design like mine.

Use a needle and thread to stitch and join your fabric. Stuff your bear towards the end with either cotton wool, rice, old material, socks etc. Making your teddy bears at home means you must be a little creative!

We understand you may not have the resources available to make your teddy bear how we would have planned. Feel free to use whatever resources you have at home or design that works best for you. Below are some simple links for easy to make teddy bears at home:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=046ZWDgjk08> – Towel teddy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yiORo95YvnY> – Sock teddy

Teddy Evaluation

Well done on working hard and creating your own evacuee teddy bear.

TASK: Answer the following questions in your book:

- Does your teddy look like your original design?
- Did you have to change things as you made your bear? Why?
- What do you think went well when making your teddy?
- What do you think you could have improved? / Is there anything you would change next time?

TASK: Make sure you take a picture of your teddy bear and put it in your unexpected adventure book.