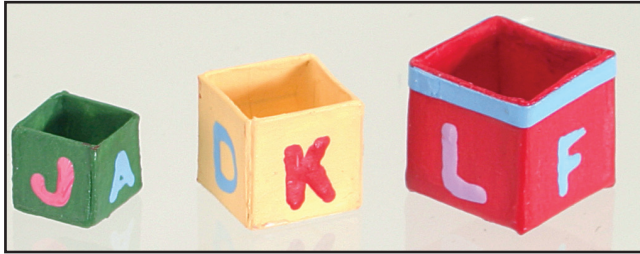


Jack-in-the-Boxes & Blocks

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Create a trio of jack-in-the-boxes, or use your imagination to design your own "Jack" and decorate his box.

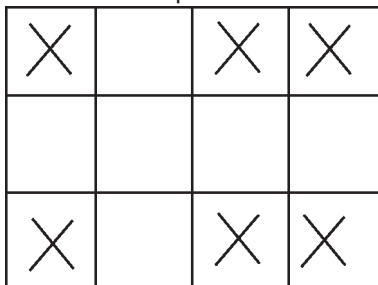


What You'll Need:

- Index card
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Glue
- Craft knife
- Acrylic paint (Black, Pink, Flesh, Red)
- Varnish
- Brush
- Plastic craft pin or $\frac{3}{16}$ " wood bead
- Fine wire
- Toothpick
- Bunka
- Scissors
- Typing paper

Jack-in-the-Box

1. On card, mark off a grid of $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares according to diagram. Mark an X in squares indicated.



2. With craft knife and ruler, carefully score along each line. Cut away squares marked with an X. Turn card face down and bend up remaining squares to form a box with a lid. Apply glue sparingly with pin or toothpick to edges where box sides meet. Hold box till set (leave lid free). When dry, apply more glue along seams on inside. Paint when dry and varnish.

3. Paint plastic pin or bead* with flesh paint. When dry, use a toothpick to dot with black paint for eyes. Paint mouth red, and cheeks with pink dots (use end of brush for dots). Apply glue to head and glue on raveled bunka for hair. Hat is a cone of paper: cut a 1" circle into quarters. Roll one quarter into cone to fit head. Glue, then glue to head. Paint hat.

4. Wrap a 6" length of wire several times around toothpick. Squeeze blob of glue into box bottom and let set till tacky. Slide spring off toothpick and push into glue. Support till dry. Cut spring to proper height and glue head onto spring. (Plastic stem may be trimmed with scissors.) Decorate box if desired. Leave Jack plain or embellish him with lace, ruffles, pompoms, etc.

Blocks

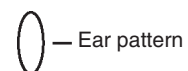
Make blocks the same way, with lid glued down. For blocks that fit inside one another, leave lid off. Make largest block of $\frac{3}{8}$ " squares, next block $\frac{5}{16}$ " squares, next $\frac{1}{4}$ " squares.

Bear-in-the-Box

Paint ball of pin brown. Paint a small piece of typing paper a lighter or darker shade of brown. Punch out two $\frac{1}{8}$ " holes. Slice off part of circle and glue to top of head for ears. Dot muzzle with end of brush and same brown as ears. Dot eyes with toothpick and black paint. Dot nose when muzzle is dry. Paint mouth with small brush or fine-tip marker. Add a bow of silk ribbon at neck.

Bunny-in-the-Box

Paint ball white. Paint paper for ears white. Cut out ears and with pin, score down center. Paint center pink. Glue to head.



Dot eyes with black. Dot cheeks with toothpick and white paint. Dot nose with pink. ■

*Glue bead to a toothpick to make a handle before painting.