

Make a Storyteller

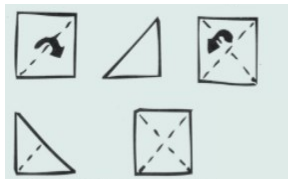
An Early Years and Primary curriculum based activity sheet for the whole family

A storyteller is a form of origami also known as a fortune teller or cootie catcher. Made from folded paper, parts of the storyteller are labelled with colours, numbers, storylines or choices. Inside, it has eight flaps with story endings, facts or activities underneath. These games are designed to be played by two people at a time, with one person operating the storyteller according to the other's choices.

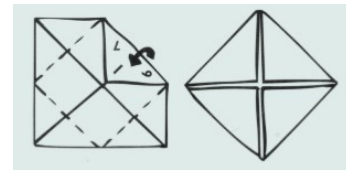


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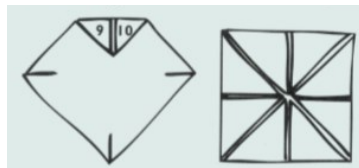
- 1** Cut around the edge of the square, fold and crease the square along each diagonal. Open it out and lay it flat.



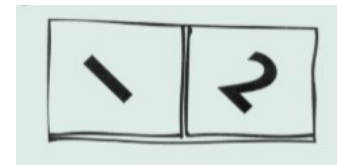
- 2** Turn the square over so the writing is on the back. Fold all four corners into the centre.



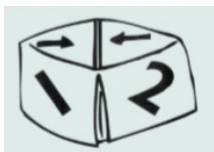
- 3** Turn the square over again (with the flaps facing down). Fold the four corners into the centre again.



- 4** Fold the square towards you in half.



- 5** Push the top corners towards the centre.



- 6** Open out the top flaps. Put one finger or thumb in each of the compartments—this will allow you to operate the storyteller.



You can also make your storyteller out of a plain sheet of paper, but remember to make the paper into a square first, then follow the instructions above to make the puzzler.

Unfold the storyteller and start filling it in—you could add numbers, colours, shapes or do one of the activities on the PEN "Storyteller Activities" worksheet.

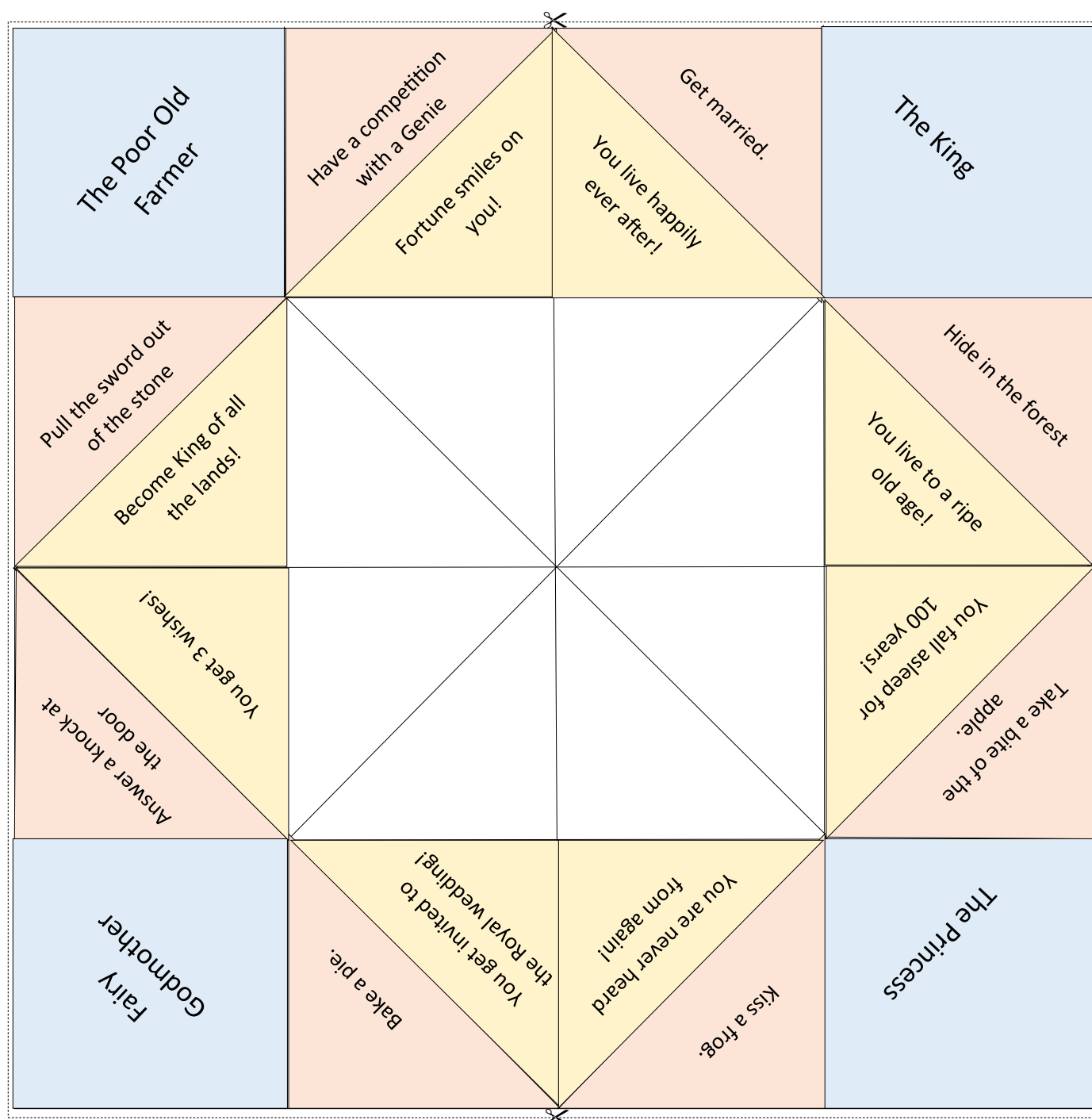


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Here's an example of a mixed-up Storyteller. Can you spot some of the stories we've used? Try to make one of your own!

Cut out the storyteller and fold. Follow our instructions at <https://biteable.com/watch/how-to-make-a-storyteller-2521552> to see how.

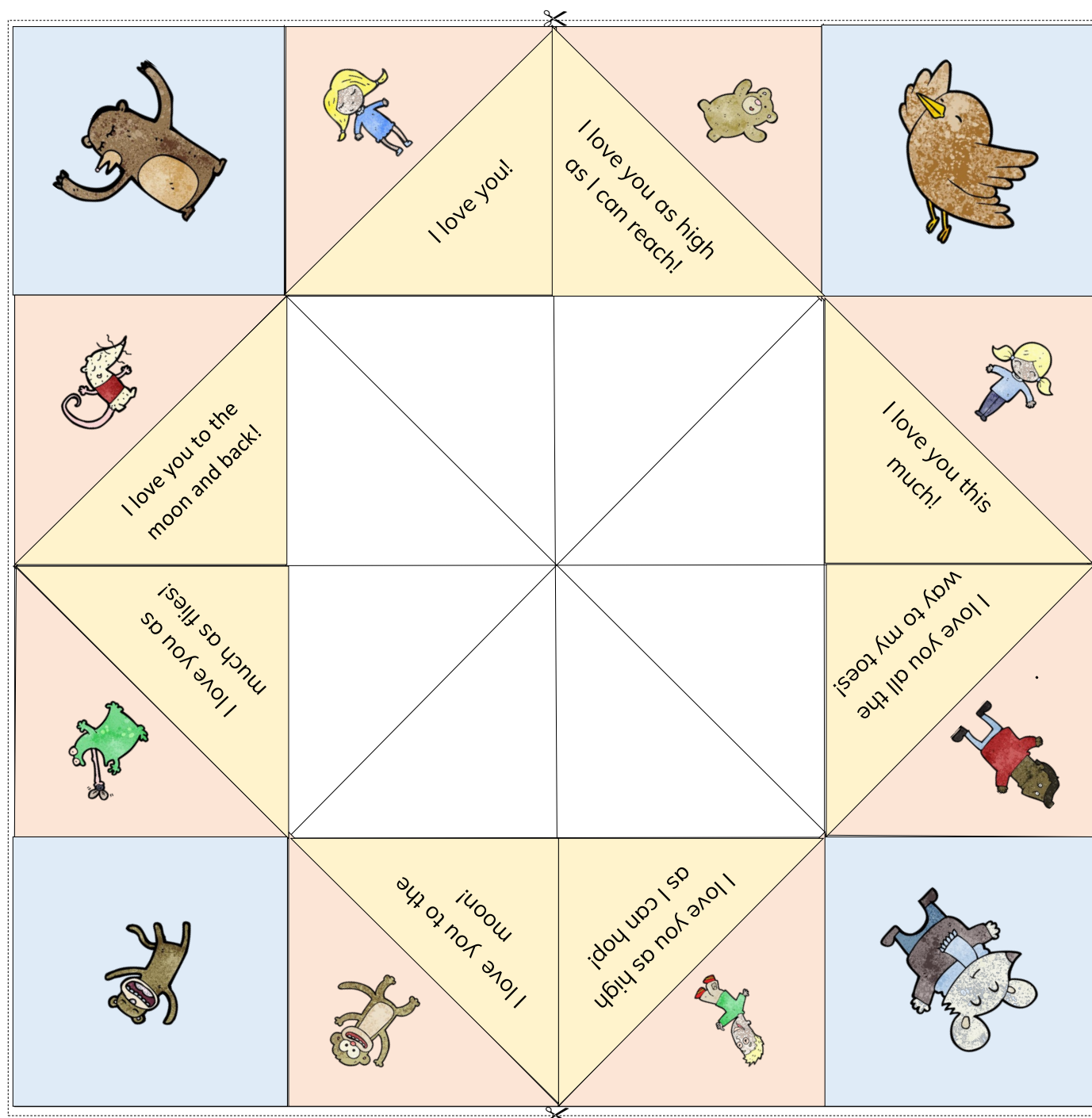


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Here's an example of a Storyteller based on the book *Guess How Much I Love You* by Sam McBratney. What's your favourite book - can you make a storyteller from it?

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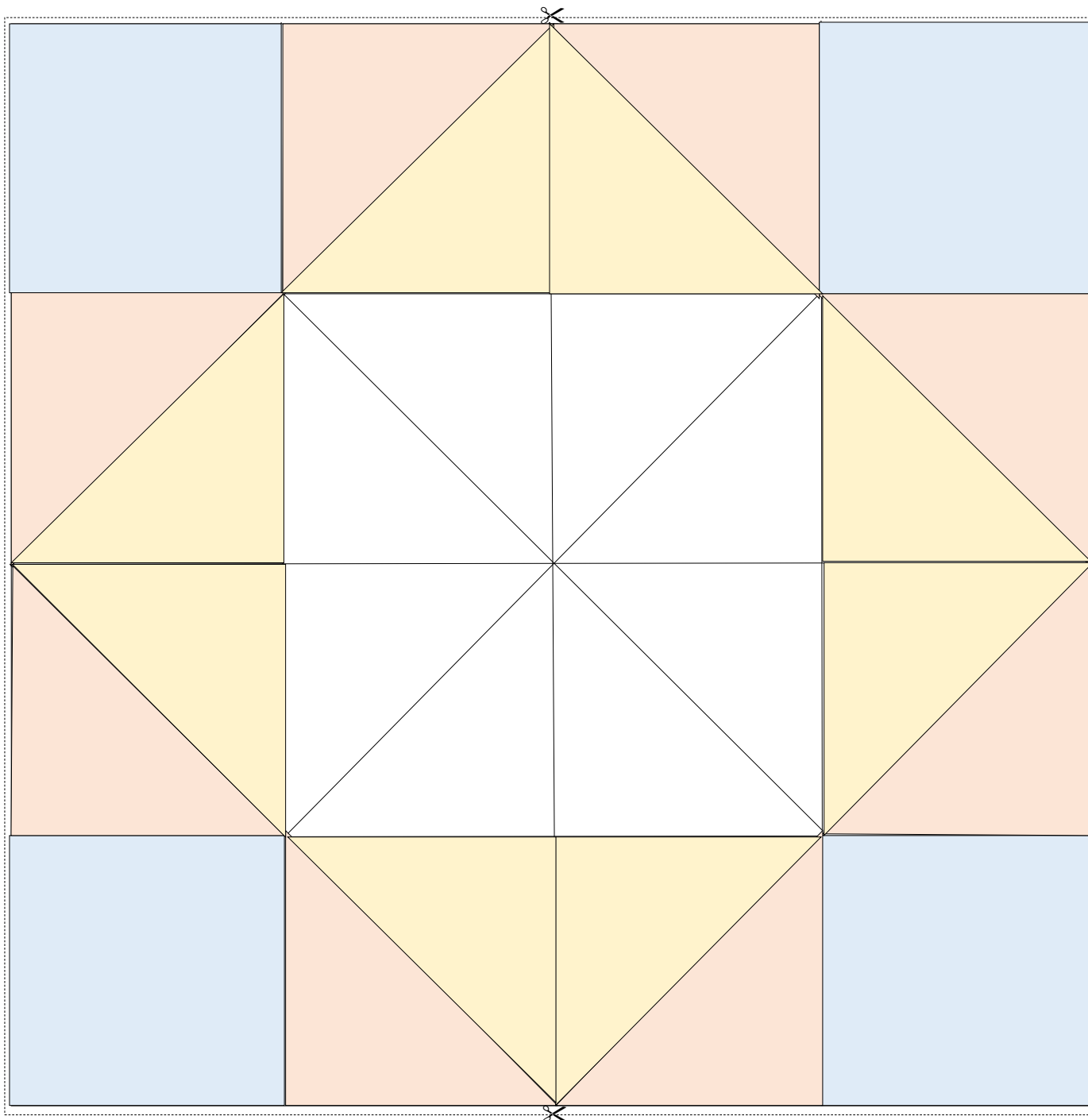
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Here's a blank Storyteller for you to print, cut out and use. What can fun can you have with it?

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