cut fold glue tab Print at 100% on cardstock (thick craft paper)

5 cm

What you're making



How to build it

Which paper

Best: cardstock, the thick craft paper (65-110 lb, 160-220 g/m²). It folds crisply and the pieces stand up on their own.

No cardstock? Print on regular paper, glue each sheet onto thin cardboard like an old cereal box, let it dry, then cut. Regular paper alone is too floppy.

Print at 100%, not "fit to page": the 5 cm ruler at the top should measure 5 cm. You also need scissors, a ruler and a glue stick or white craft glue.

Every piece has a number, printed on it and under it. Parts of the same thing share its number with a letter (5a, 5b). Each grey glue tab says where it goes: "under 1" means glue it under piece 1, "to 5b" means glue it to part 5b.

1. Cut and fold

Cut out each piece on the solid lines, and cut out the windows. Fold every dashed line before you glue; pressing along it first with an empty ballpoint pen and a ruler makes a crisp fold. Glue tabs fold back, behind the piece.

2. The room

3. The furniture

2 Reindeer barn: Cut out 2a and 2b, fold along the dashed lines and glue the tabs inside: each tab says which part it joins. Glue the flat parts (roofs, panels) on where they show. Glue it to the floor where 2 is marked.

3 Reindeer: Fold the tab at the bottom back. Glue the tab to the floor where 3 is marked.

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4 Red-nosed reindeer: Fold the tab at the bottom back. Glue the tab to the floor where 4 is marked.

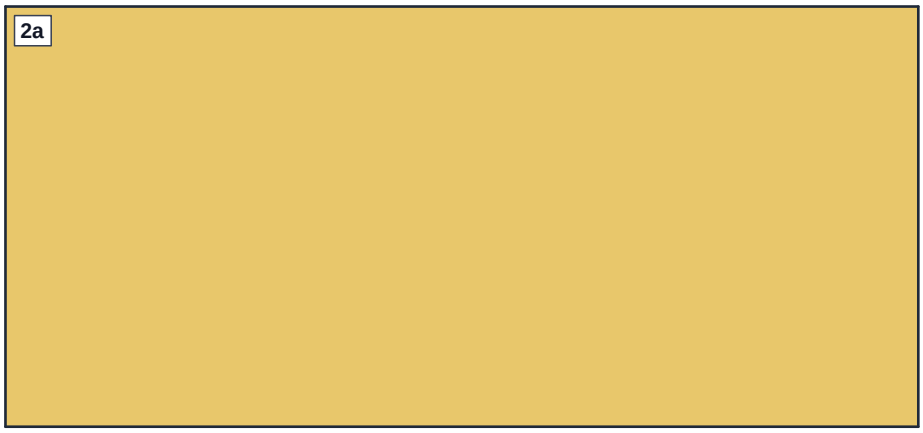
5, 6 Hay bale (2): Fold along the dashed lines and glue the tabs inside. Glue it to the floor where its number is marked.

8 Fence: Fold the tab at the bottom back. Glue the tab to the floor where 8 is marked.

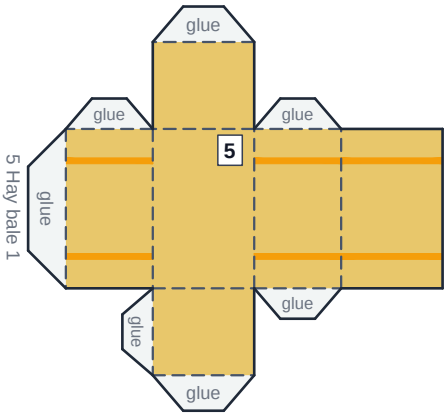
9 Lamp post: Fold the tab at the bottom back. Glue the tab to the floor where 9 is marked.

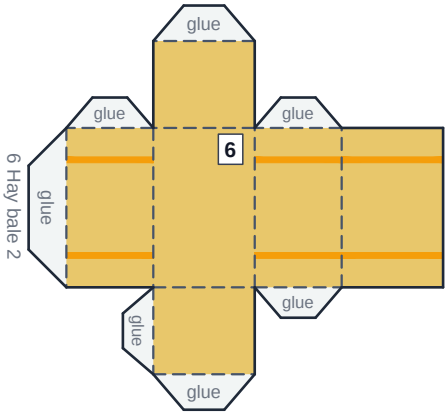
10 Snowy fir tree: Fold 10a and 10b in half on the dashed line and glue each one back to back, then cut them out and cut along the slit lines. Slide 10b down into the slit of 10a so they make a cross. Glue its base to the floor where 10 is marked.

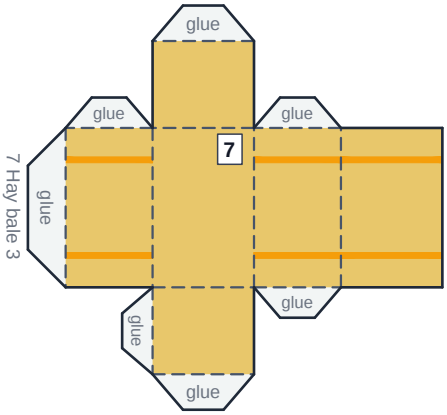
7 Hay bale 3: Fold along the dashed lines and glue the tabs inside. Glue it on top of 2 Reindeer barn.

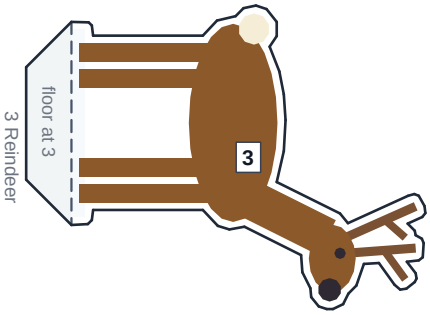


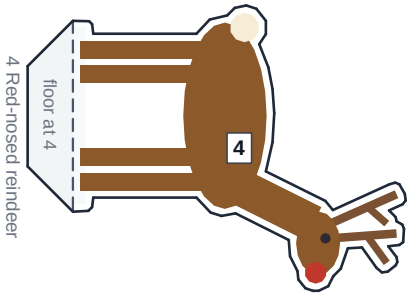
2a Reindeer barn panel













8 Fence

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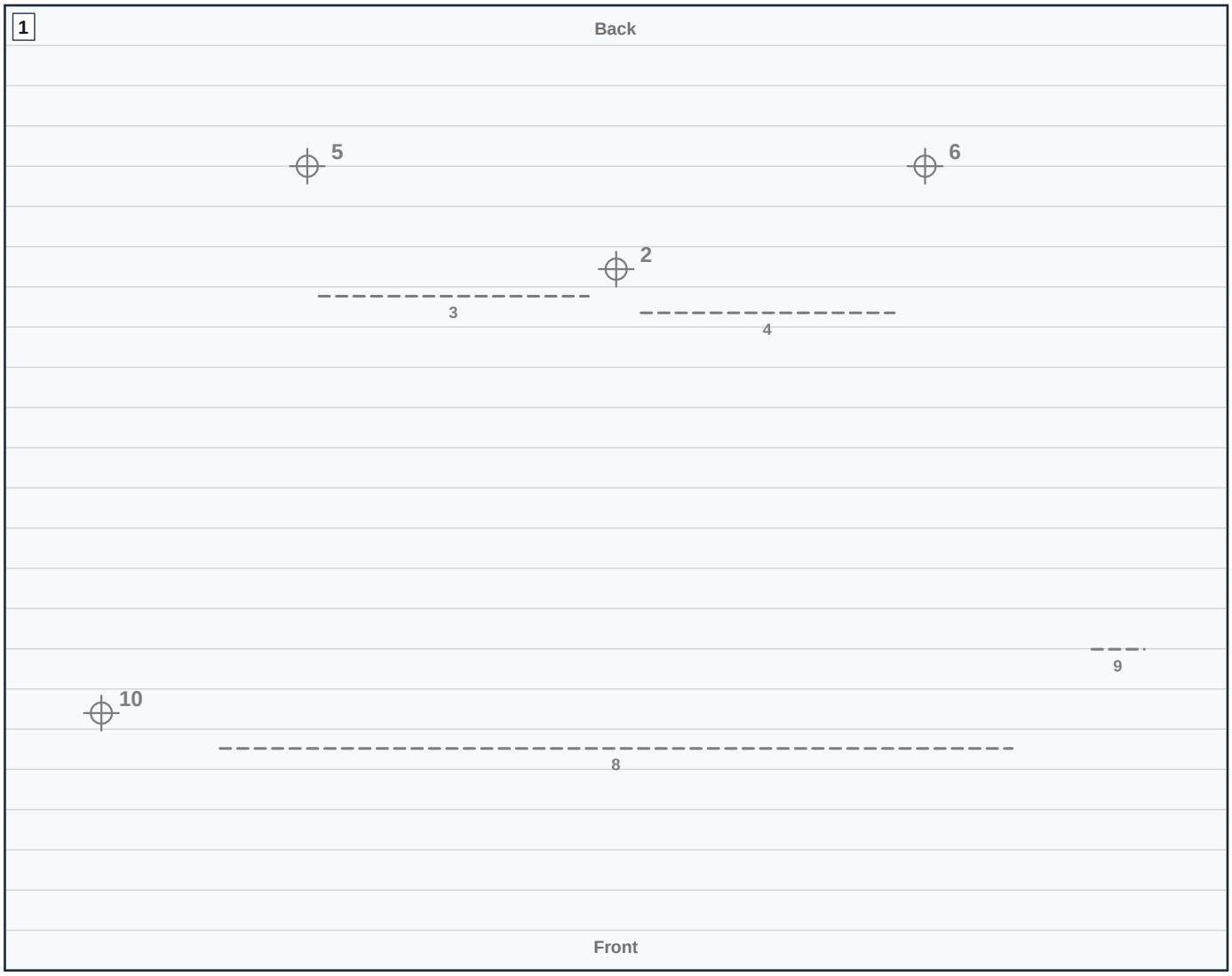

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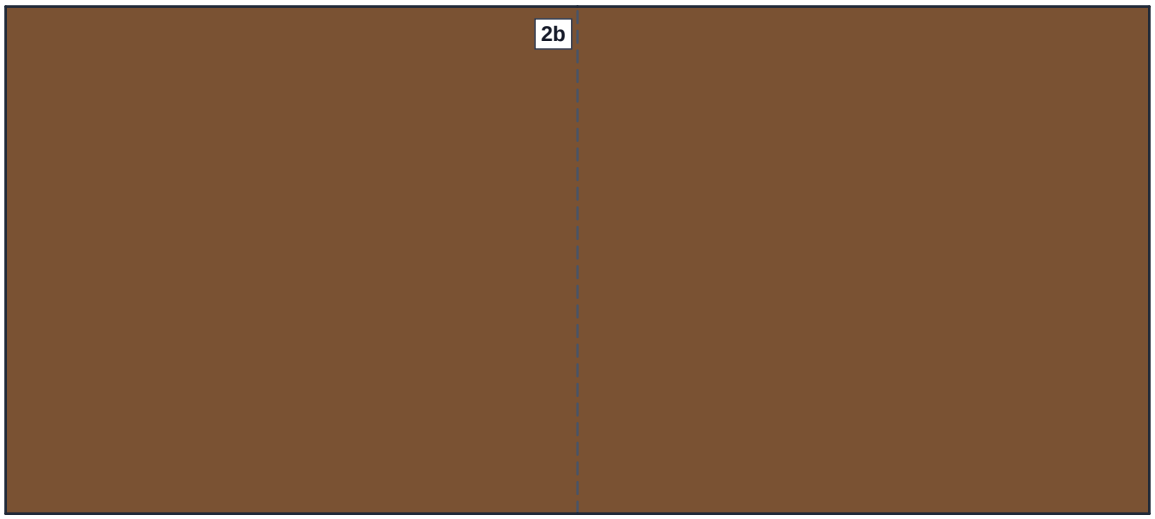
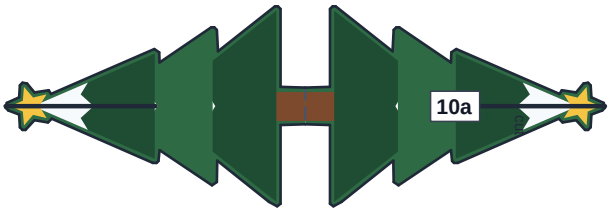


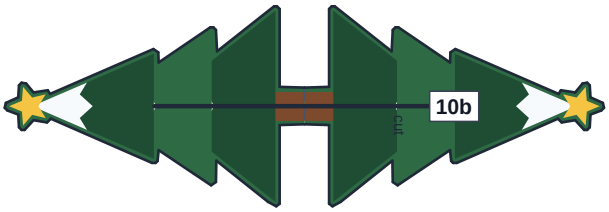
2b Reindeer barn roof



9 Lamp post



10a Snowy fir tree



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