FREE PREVIEW

visual directions craft

PAPER PLATE ELF

See it. Make it. Talk about it. Write about it.



Visual directions | Sequencing | Speech + AAC | Procedural writing | IEP data

Ages 3-8 / Special education / Speech therapy / Home

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What's inside

55 printable pages for special education, speech and home

Teacher Guide

TEACHER

Everything in this pack and how to use it.

WHAT THIS CRAFT BUILDS

- Following 1-step and multi-step directions
- Sequencing (first, next, then, last)
- Fine motor: cutting, painting and gluing
- Vocabulary and position words
- Answering questions with picture supports
- Requesting and asking for help or a break
- Procedural (how-to) writing

PREP (ABOUT 10 MINUTES)

- Print the template on cardstock so the pieces are easy to trace.
- Each child needs 1 paper plate, brown and red paint, green, red, brown, white, blue, and pink paper, and a black marker, plus a paintbrush, a pencil, scissors and a glue stick.
- Cut and paint the plates the day before so they are dry, or let students paint first and glue later.
- Print step cards and picture cards on cardstock and laminate to reuse.

WHAT'S INSIDE

MAKE IT	Supply checklist, life-size template, full visual directions, a simpler 4-step version, and cut-apart step cards.
ORDER IT	Picture sequencing cards with a matching 6-box mat, and a "which sentence matches?" page.
TALK ABOUT IT	Vocabulary cards, communication boards, picture-choice questions, position words, and a cut-apart social narrative booklet with "My craft voice" cards and story questions.
WRITE ABOUT IT	Three levels of how-to writing (cut and paste, fill in the blank, write on your own), directed drawing, a coloring page, and an "I did it!" checklist.
TEACHER TOOLS	Prep checklist, ways to use it, a skills + data guide, student and class data sheets, a following-directions data sheet, facts pages, First/Then boards, reward cards, a desk step strip and take-home notes.

DIFFERENTIATE IT

- Fewer steps: use the 4-step directions or the First/Then card.
- More support: tape the desk step strip down and let students check off each step.
- More challenge: hide the step cards and have students write their own directions.

READ TOGETHER

The Elves and the Shoemaker by Jim LaMarche

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Skills this packet builds

Ready-made practice and data for IEP goals, speech and home

SKILL	WHERE IT IS IN THE PACKET
Following 1-step and multi-step directions	Visual directions, 4 easy steps, step cards pp. 13-21, 44
Sequencing (first, next, then, last)	Picture cards and order mat, which sentence matches? pp. 22-24
Fine motor: cutting, painting and gluing	The craft itself, with a life-size template pp. 9-12
Vocabulary and position words	Craft word cards and position word pages pp. 25-29
Answering questions with picture supports	Picture-choice questions and story questions pp. 26, 29, 53-54
Requesting and asking for help or a break	Communication boards, craft voice cards, First/Then pp. 25, 27-28, 42-43, 53-54
Procedural (how-to) writing	Three levels: cut and paste, fill in the blank, write on your own pp. 30-32
Measuring progress	Student data sheet, class checklist, following-directions data pp. 39-41

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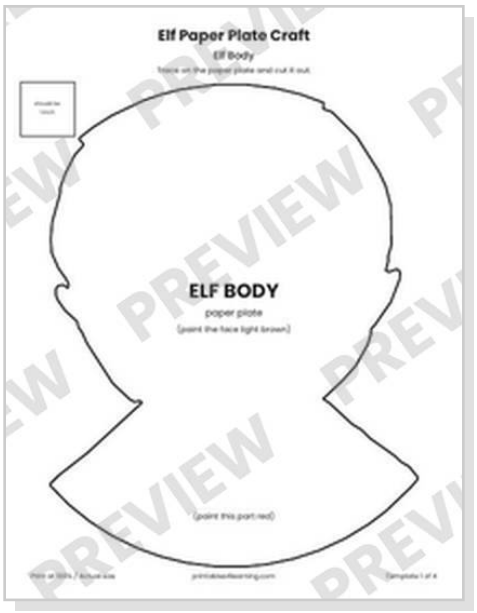
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Make it

Supplies, template, visual directions and step cards



Supply checklist



Life-size template



Visual directions



4 easy steps



Step cards



Sequencing cards

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Talk about it

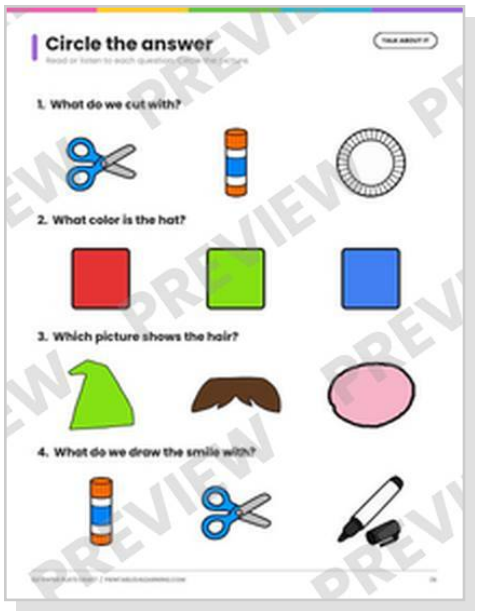
Vocabulary, communication boards, questions and a social narrative



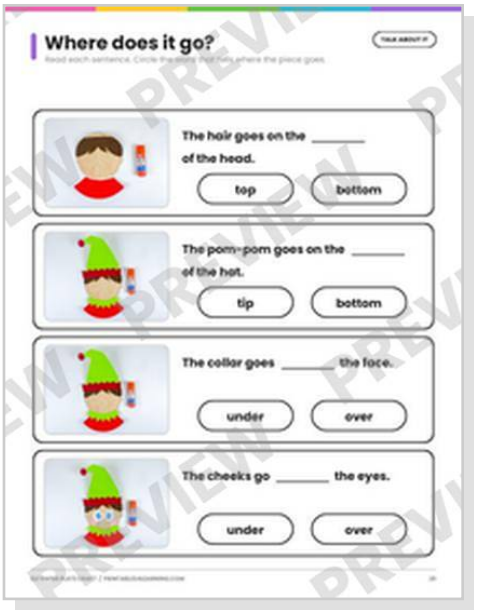
Craft words



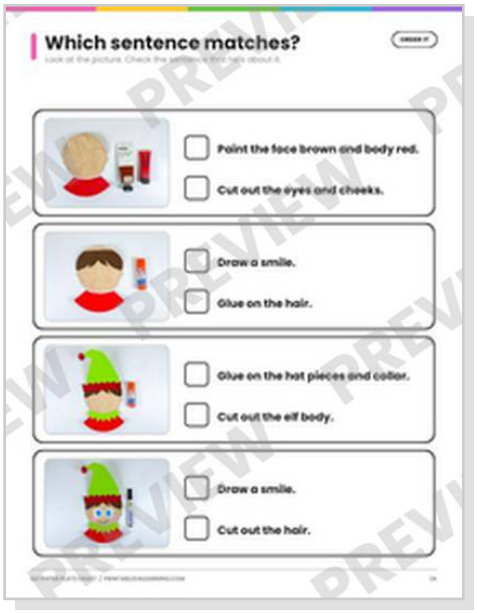
Communication board



Picture-choice questions



Position words



Which sentence matches?



Social narrative

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Write about it

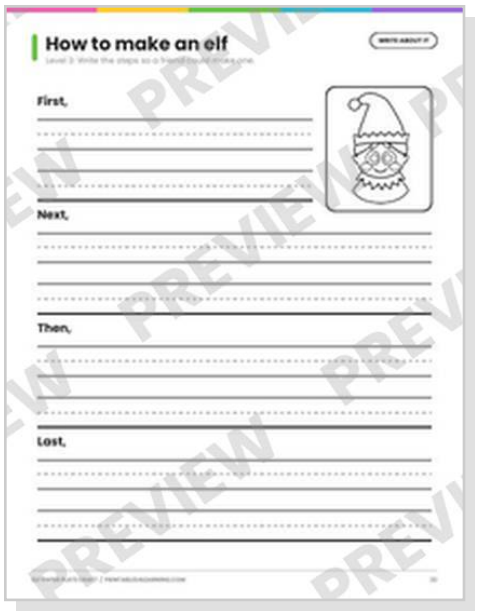
Three levels of how-to writing, drawing, coloring and facts



Cut and paste



Fill in the blank



Write on your own



Directed drawing



Coloring page



Facts page

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Teacher tools

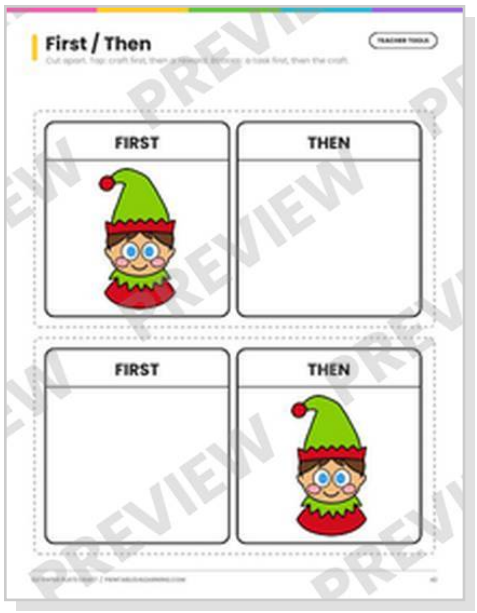
IEP data sheets, visual supports and take-home notes



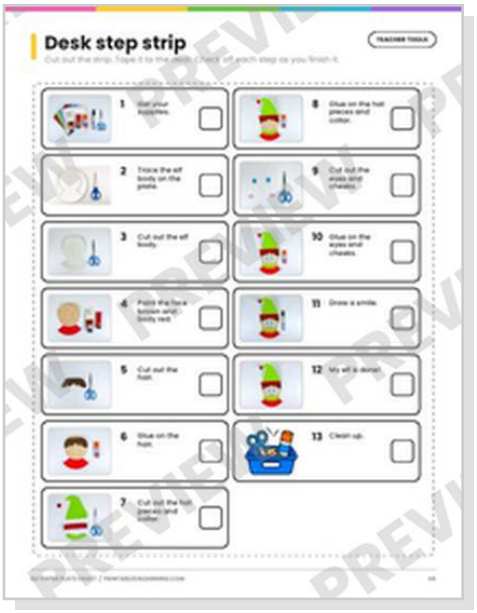
Student data sheet



Class checklist



First/Then board



Desk step strip



Craft voice cards



Take-home note

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Get the full packet

Paper Plate Elf

55 printable pages, ready to print

- Life-size template and full-color visual directions
- A simpler 4-step version and cut-apart step cards
- Sequencing cards, vocabulary and communication boards
- Picture-choice questions and position words
- Social narrative booklet with craft voice cards
- Three levels of how-to writing, drawing and coloring
- IEP data sheets, First/Then boards and a desk step strip
- Facts pages and take-home notes

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