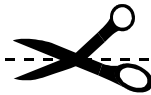
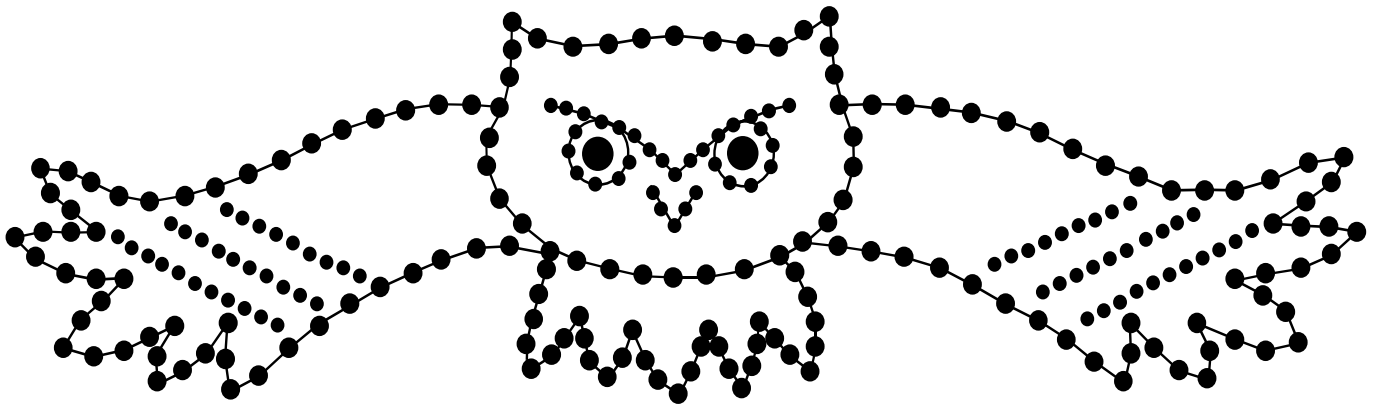


Night-Owl Lantern

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1. Fill a big can with water and freeze it overnight.
2. Cut a strip of paper from a paper bag just the right size to fit around the can.
3. Use tape to attach the paper-bag strip around the can of ice.
4. Cut out (or trace) the owl pattern below and tape it over the paper on the can.
5. (You may need help with some of the next steps.) Lay the can on its side on a folded towel. Use a hammer to pound a small nail into each small dot. Hammer through the can and into the ice a little way. Keep turning the can so that the holes you are hammering are always on top.
6. Use a larger nail to make the holes for the bigger dots and an even bigger nail for the owl's eye holes.
7. Make two big "hanging" holes opposite each other near the top of the can. Then think about how you can finish your design. (Maybe you'll give your owl a moon.)
8. Remove the paper and put the can upside down in a sink until the ice falls out.
9. Tie or tape a string to a flashlight so you can hang it with the light shining down. Then tie another string through the "hanging" holes in the sides of the can. Tie the flashlight string to this one so that the end of the light hangs just inside the can. (You can also put a small, fat candle in the bottom of the lantern, but light it only when an adult is around.)
10. Hang your lantern in a dark place. Your friends will think it's neat to be greeted by this shimmering night owl.



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