

2-in-1 Crafty St. Paddy's Day Puzzle

Paint a festive green hat on large craft sticks to make a puzzle or a plaque.

You will need:

- 8 jumbo craft sticks (5 7/8" X 1 1/16")
- Acrylic craft paint (green and yellow)
- Paintbrush
- [Hat pattern](#) printed on card stock
- Masking tape
- Black Sharpie marker
- Pencil



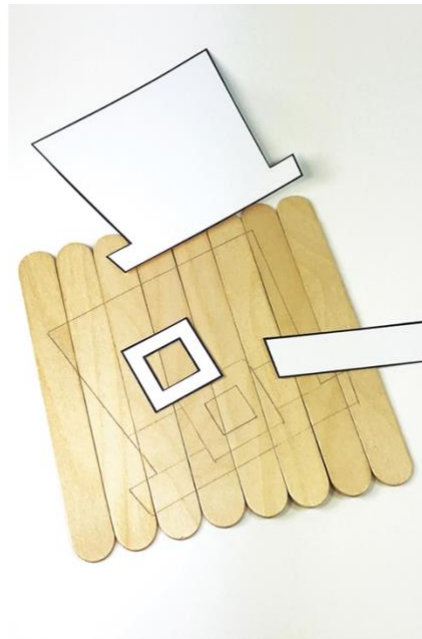
To turn the puzzle into a plaque, you will need:

- One additional jumbo craft stick
- Aleene's Tacky Glue
- Twine

Print a [picture of a completed puzzle and plaque](#) to show crafters. Post a copy on your bulletin board to create interest in the activity.

Directions:

1. To make the puzzle pieces, arrange eight craft sticks side by side as shown on following page. Hold them together with two pieces of masking tape.
2. Turn the craft sticks over. Cut out the patterns and trace the pieces onto the palette of sticks. Position the hat at an angle as shown in the center photo on the following page.
3. Paint the green hat and yellow buckle. After the paint has dried, outline the hat and buckle with a black Sharpie marker. Then color the hatband and the inside of the buckle black.
4. Remove the tape from the back of the craft sticks. Shuffle the sticks to mix them up and have fun putting the puzzle back together.
5. Store the pieces in sealable plastic page.



St. Paddy's Plaque

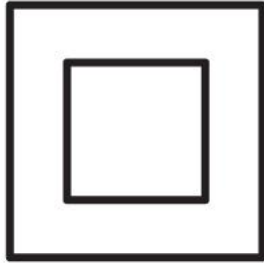
1. To make a plaque, reassemble the puzzle and tape the pieces together with a strip of masking tape on the front as shown below.
2. Turn the puzzle over and glue one stick diagonally to secure each stick in place as shown below.



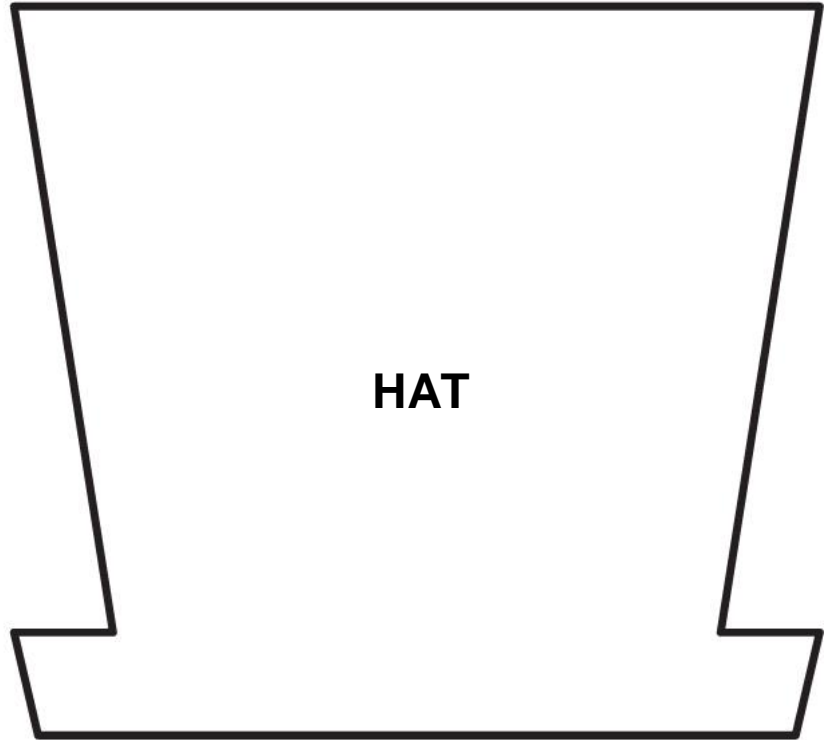
3. Add a piece of twine for hanging. Attach the ends to the back of the plaque using masking tape.



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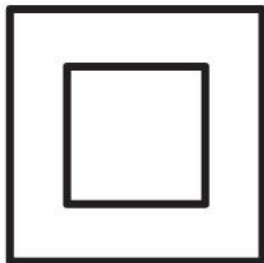
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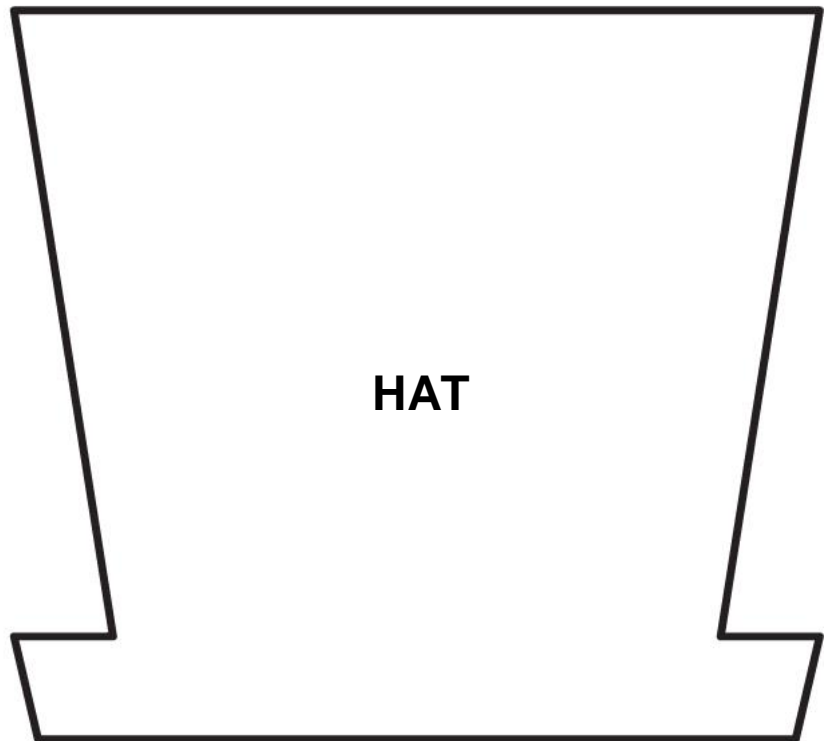
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