

Let's make a pirate's treasure chest

Do you need somewhere to keep your pirate booty? Make this pirate treasure chest to make sure nobody gets their hands on it!

TOP TIPS

- Scrap card can also be used as a paint palette.
- If you don't have brown paint, you can mix the primary colours, red, blue and yellow together.
- You could use foil if you don't have any buttons or sparkly beads.
- Have some kitchen roll to hand when painting.



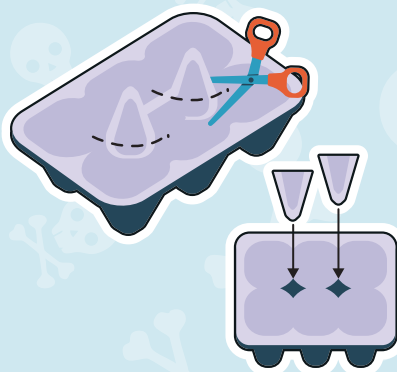
YOU WILL NEED

- Cardboard egg box x 2
- Craft glue
- Pencil
- Gold pen or paint
- Buttons or sparkly beads
- Paints
- Brushes
- Water pot
- Palette
- Scissors

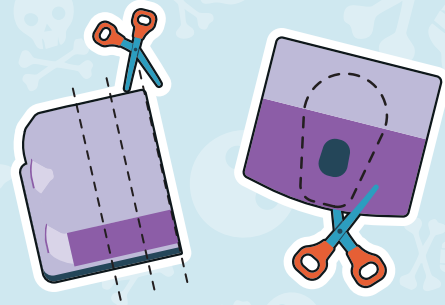


When using scissors, make sure you ask an adult to help you.

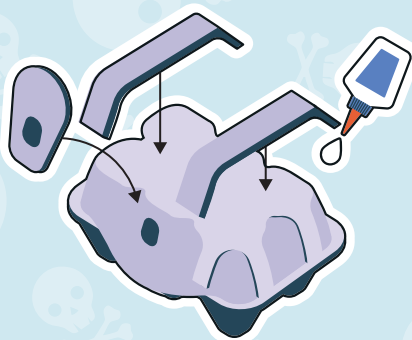
1 Cut the tops off the triangular sections of your egg box. Turn them over and put them into the holes you have just made. Stick them in place.



2 Cut out the strap & lock details from the lid of your second egg box.



3 Check that the straps and lock fit and stick them in place.



4 Paint the egg box brown. It will look 'older' if you add different tones of brown. It's easier to blend when the paint is wet. Leave it to dry.



5 Once dry, add a little white/gold paint onto the strap & lock parts. This will make the chest look like it has been well used or buried.



6 Using the template on the other page, cut out your skull and cross-bones. Paint them white. When dry, stick them onto the top of the chest. If you want to turn your chest into a money bank, ask an adult to cut a slot into the top of the chest.



7 Stick some buttons or beads onto the straps. Dry brush them with gold or yellow for a metallic finish.



8 Fill the treasure chest with your coins. You could also add some costume jewellery, or other shiny items that makes it look like it belongs to a real pirate.



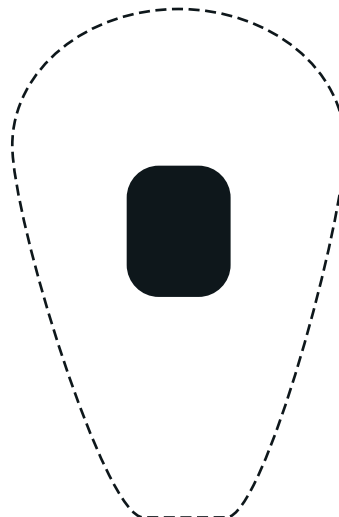
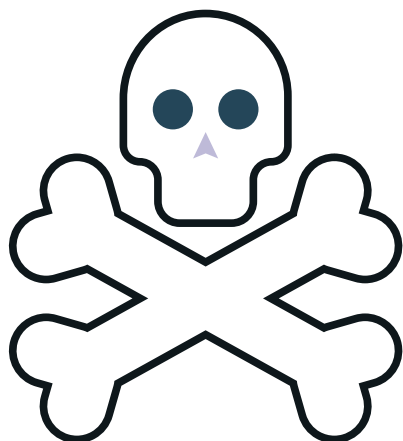
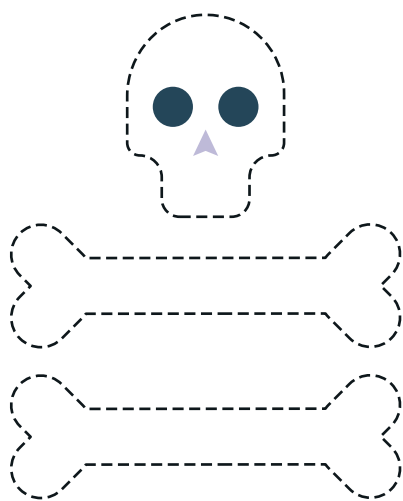
Did you know...

The only pirate known to have buried some of his treasure was Captain William Kidd. He buried it on Gardiner's Island near New York.

Pirates didn't usually bury their treasure because they needed it to pay for things.

The idea of buried treasure and treasure maps was made popular by books such as *Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson.

Treasure chest templates



The lock

