



What is the Outside the Box Series?

There are so many AWESOME opportunities to learn and grow on screens right now! So many ways for little minds to create and explore! But we want to make sure we are helping you explore outside of the digital box with your family and friends.

"Outside the Box" activity sheets are published as a part of The Rose Theater's First Stage series and are distributed at Little Libraries and other locations around the Omaha area!

Each month you will find:

- **A Think!**
Brainstorm and discuss between child and caregiver about our theme of the month.
- **A Do!**
Move, Create, or Act out an activity specially created for our littles learners.
- **An Explore!**
Finding new ways to take in and observe outside world.

We will also have links to other activities you can do on the digital box located on The Rose Theater's website and YouTube page for more fun songs, stories and games.



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Theme: Parts of a House



Brainstorm and Discuss
5-15 minutes
Ages 3 and Up

Discuss the following questions:

- What are the parts of a house that protect us from the rain?
- What colors are some of the houses in your neighborhood?
- What color would you paint your house if it could be any color?
- How many windows does your home have? How many doors?
- Why do people like pets? What makes you happy about your pet?
- What things grow outside your house? Did someone plant them, or did they grow on their own?

Building Blanket Forts

Blanket forts are a fun way to build a special house, just for you! Let's think about what you will need!

With your adult, gather some blankets, pillows, chairs, and sofa cushions. Just like a house, your blanket fort will need walls and a roof!



DO!

Create & Act
15-25 minutes
Ages 3 and Up

- For the WALLS, use some chairs to make the corners of your fort, then use sofa cushions or blankets between the chairs, to make the walls.
- For the ROOF, use big sheets or a blanket over the top of your chairs
- Make sure there is a good spot to sneak in and out of your fort! That's your DOOR!
- Be sure to add lots of comfy pillows and blankets inside your fort.
- You can read books, play games, play pretend with your toys in your fort, or draw or color some awesome pictures, just like you can in your own home!



EXPLORE!

On this Explore, while on a walk, can you try to spy these things in your neighborhood? Can you spot more than one of these things? How many fences are in your neighborhood? How many white houses? How many blue ones?

Can you spot all of these things?





With your adult, cut out this house, and fold it on the dotted lines! Then glue it together with the little tabs!

