

Pop-Up Dollhouse Room Cards

4 room cards (living room, bedroom, kitchen, bathroom) + 1 page of stand-up pieces

Printing

Print on US Letter at 100% / Actual size (not 'Fit to page'), single-sided. Cardstock of 65 to 110 lb holds the pop-ups best; plain paper works but the pieces will sag.

You need

Craft knife and cutting mat (for the slits), scissors (for the stand-up pieces), metal ruler, a dry ballpoint pen or butter knife for scoring, crayons or markers, glue stick.

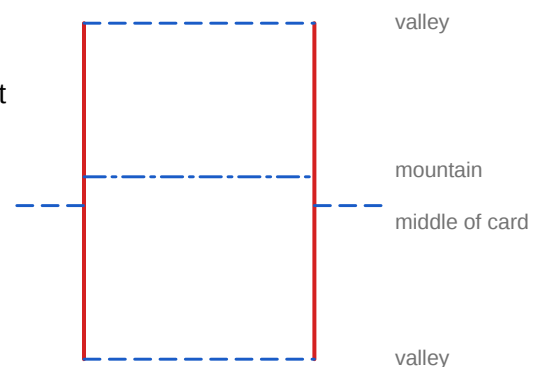
Line key

-  Red solid: cut
-  Blue dashed: valley fold (the crease sinks away from you, like a V)
-  Blue dash-dot: mountain fold (the crease points toward you, like a ^)

Steps (an adult should do the cutting)

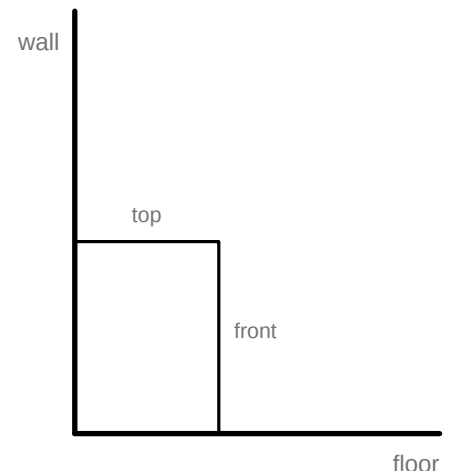
1. Colour the card while it is flat. It is much harder once it pops up.
2. Score every blue line: lay the ruler along it and press firmly along it with the dry pen. This makes clean, straight folds.
3. Cut the red slits with the craft knife and ruler. Cut only the red lines. The slits start and end inside the page, so scissors cannot reach them.
4. Fold the card in half along the long blue line across the middle, printed side inside.
5. Open the card halfway. From the back, push each piece of furniture forward so it folds out toward you. Pinch the three folds on each piece: top edge (valley), middle (mountain), bottom edge (valley).
6. Close the card flat and press hard to set the creases, then open it to an L shape (90 degrees). The top half is the wall and the bottom half is the floor.
7. If a card will not hold its L shape, rest the wall against a book or a box.

One piece, flat



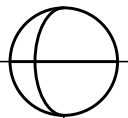
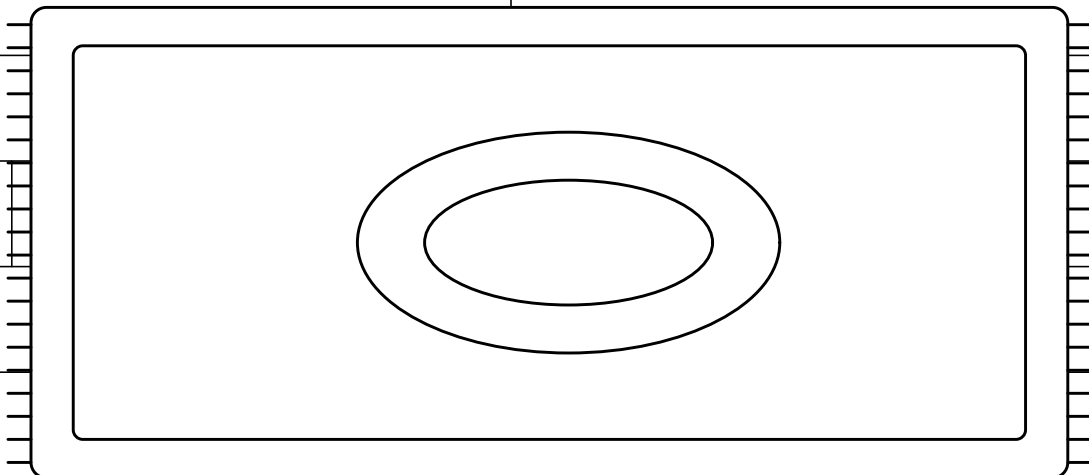
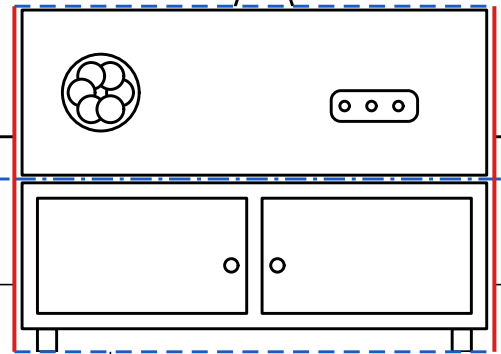
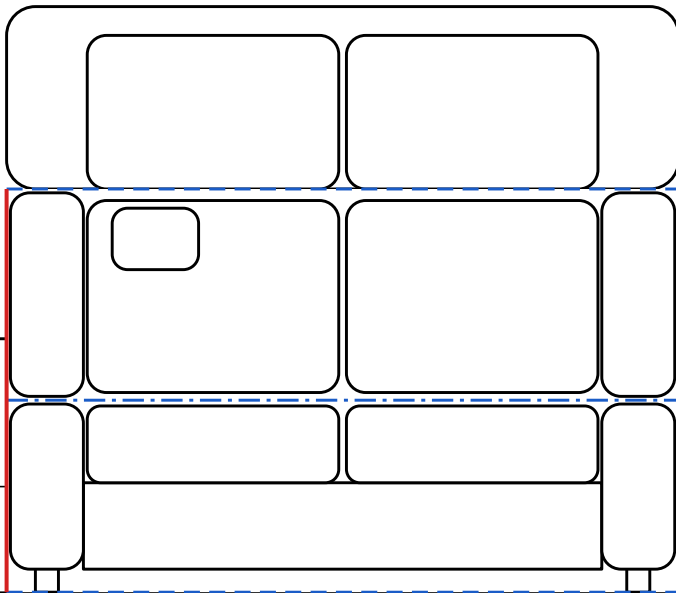
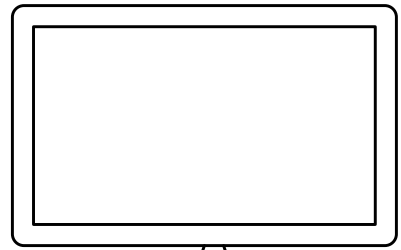
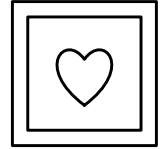
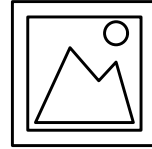
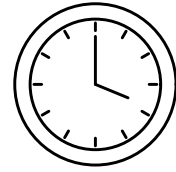
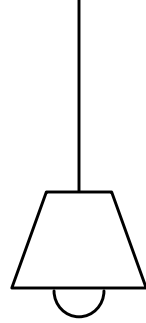
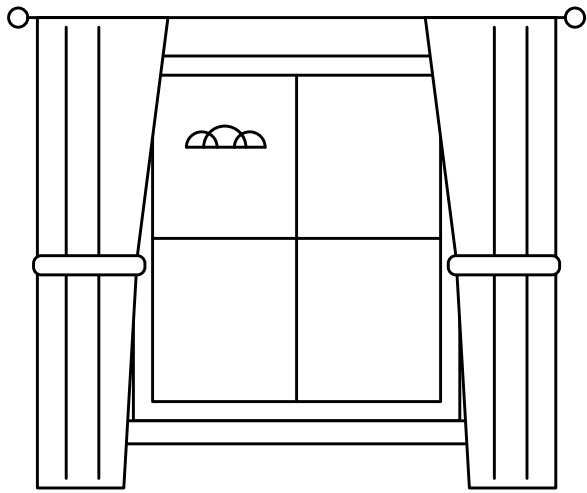
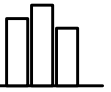
The middle-of-card line is not folded between the red slits.

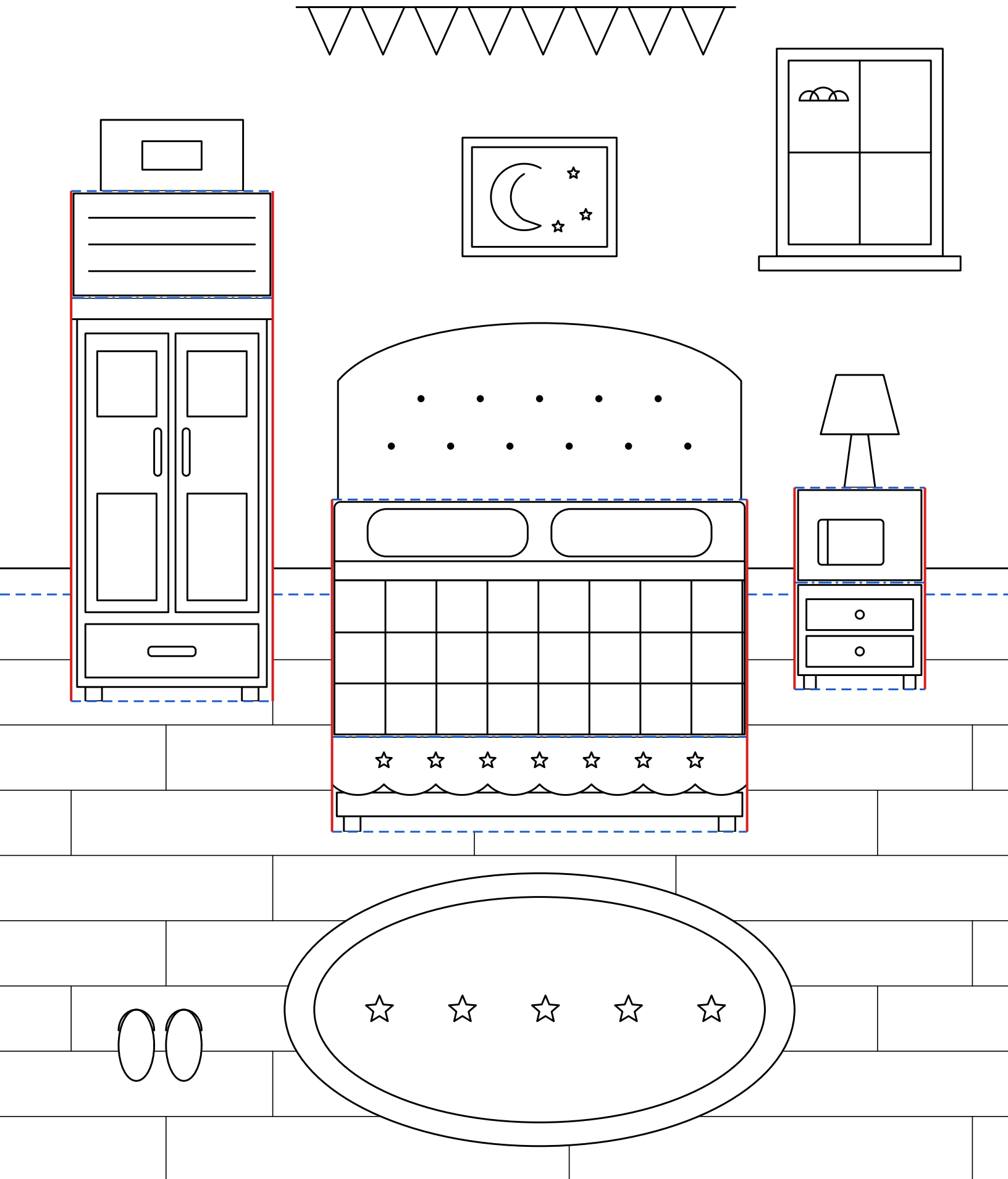
Side view, card open

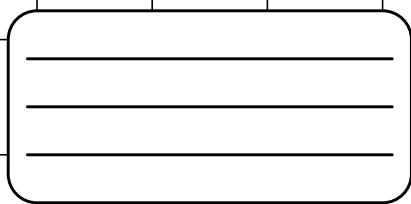
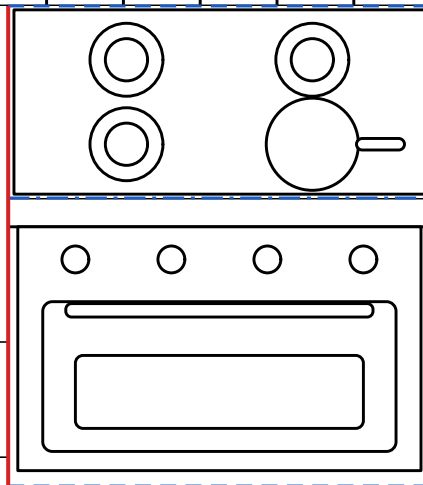
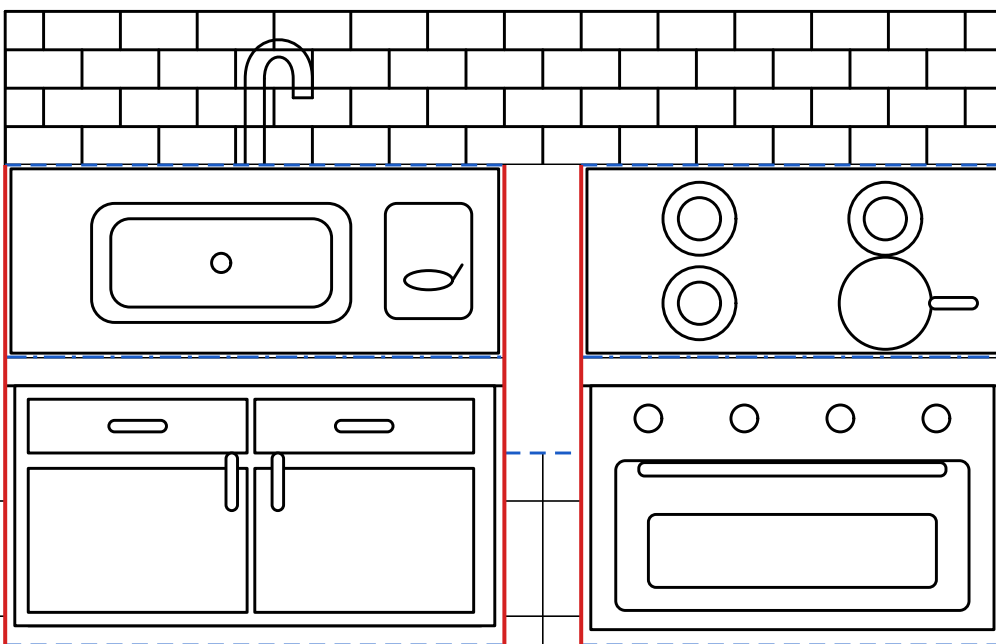
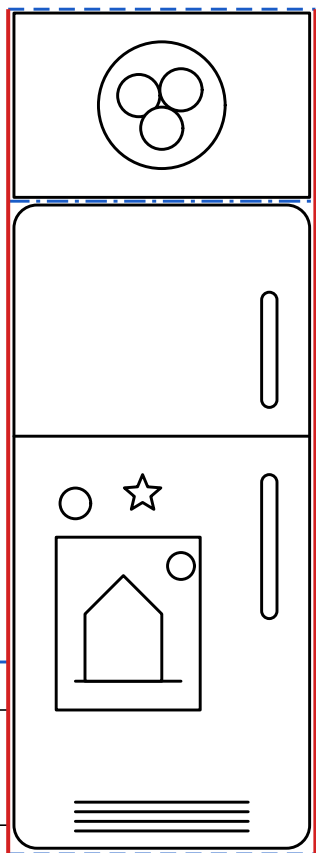
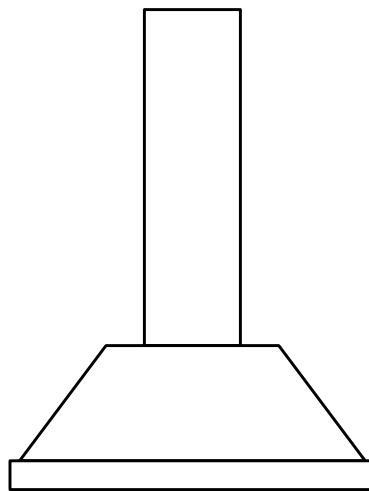
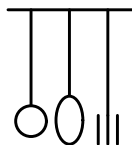
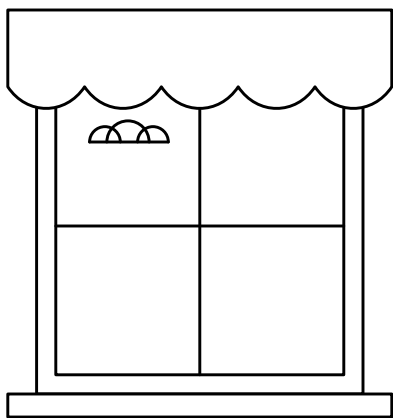
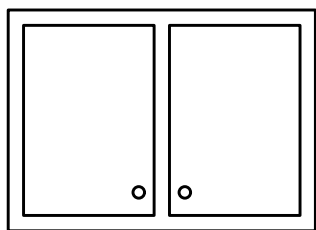


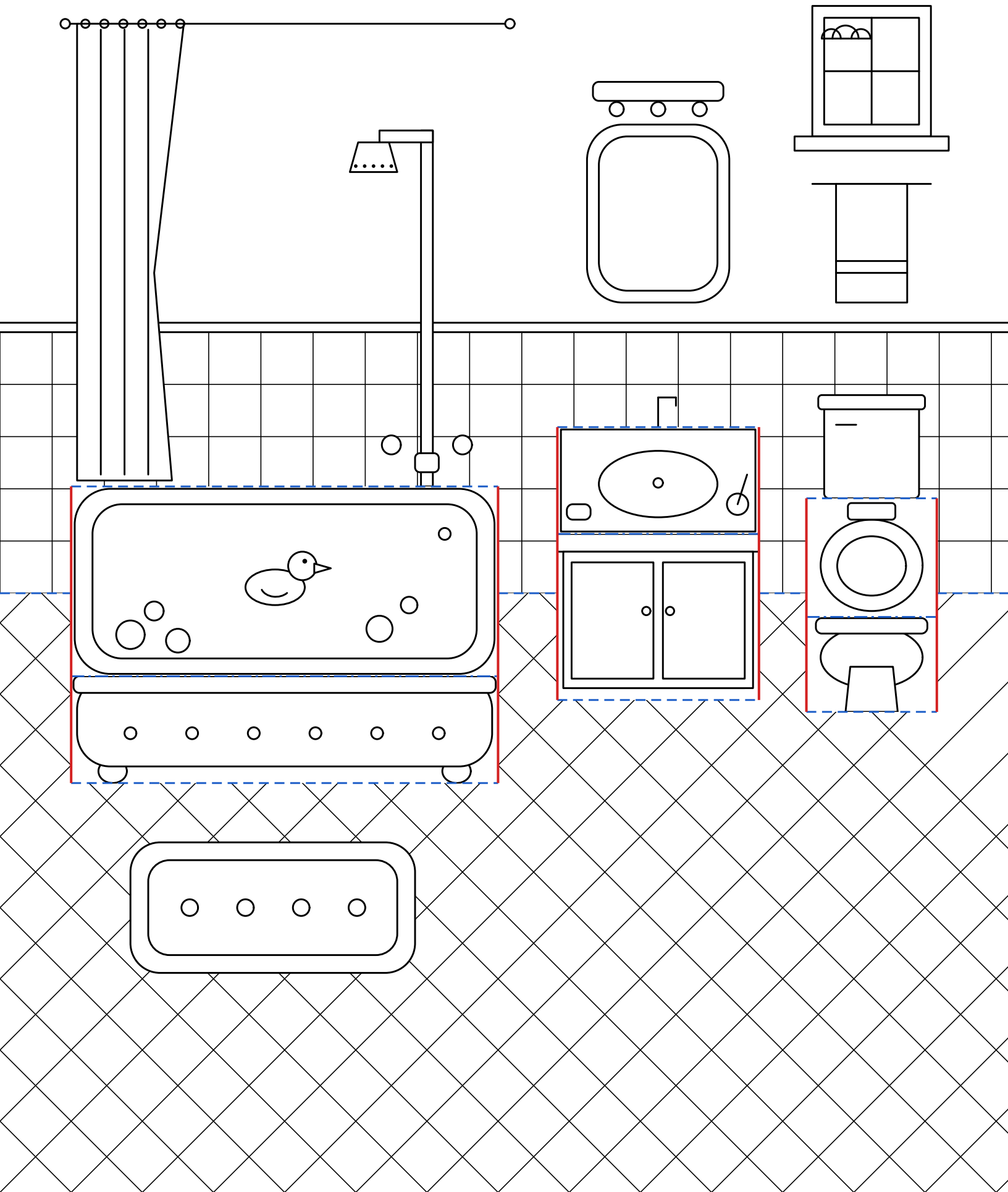
Each piece of furniture is a strip of the card that folds out into a box.

Optional: glue the backs of two opened cards together wall-to-wall to make a two-sided house.



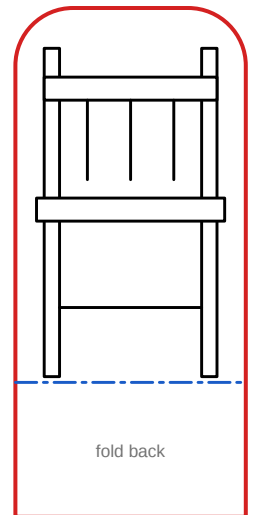
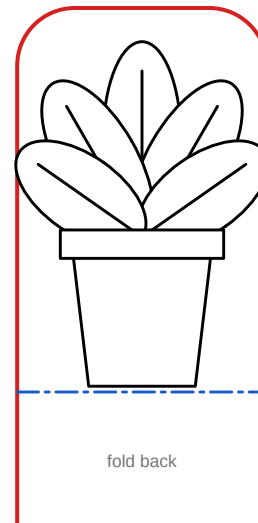
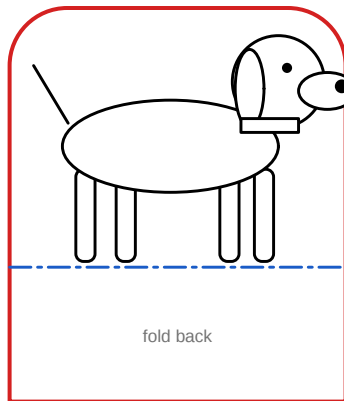
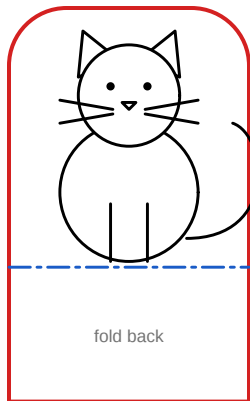
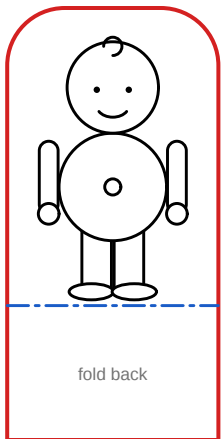
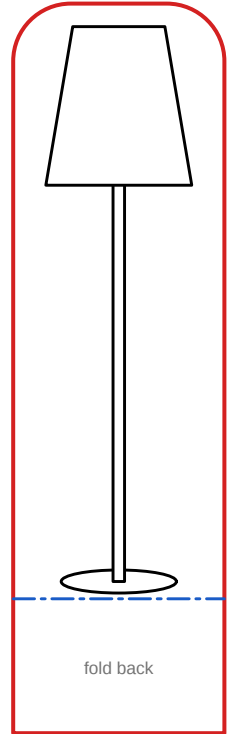
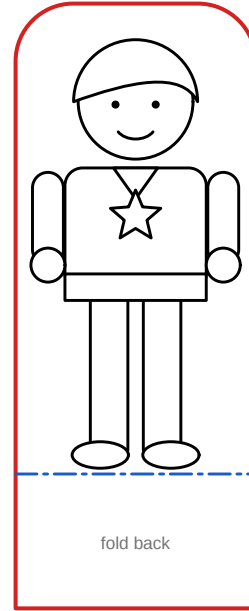
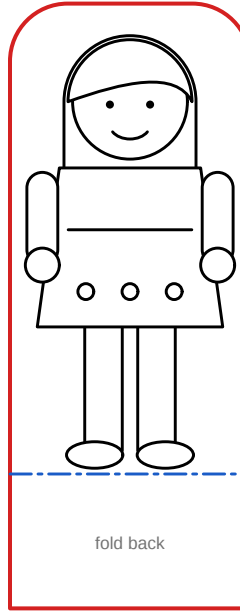
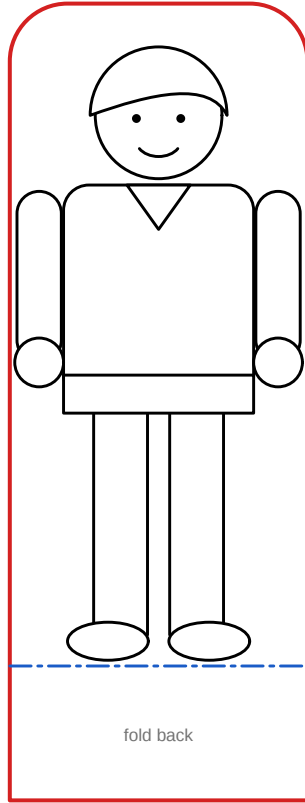
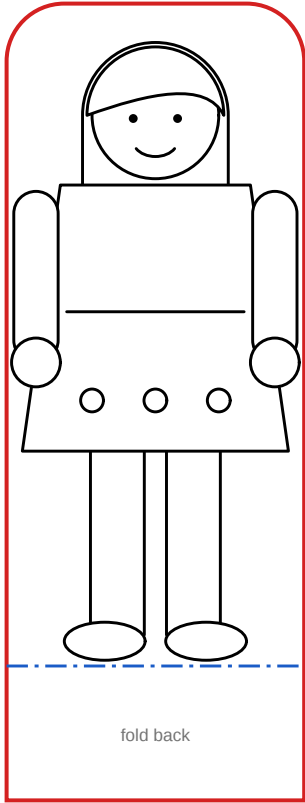






Stand-up pieces

Colour, cut along the red line, fold the bottom strip back along the dash-dot line so the piece stands.



Tip: glue a coin or a folded paper strip to the back of the base tab if a piece tips over.

Scale: grown-ups are 3.3 in tall, matching the furniture on the room cards.