

Activity

A Milk Carton SHIP



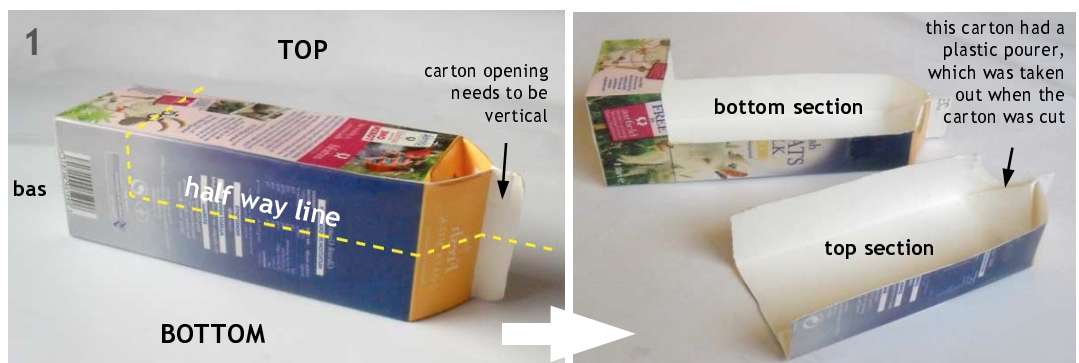
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Here is your chance to make your very own ship, just like the tanker Captain John O'Sullivan sails (see page 15) as it delivers heating oil, petrol and diesel to many cities around Europe. Your ship may not be able to go to sea but it should just about float in the sink!

You will need:

- 1 litre milk or juice carton
- ruler
- marker
- scissors
- masking tape
- small box
- lollipop stick
- match stick
- acrylic paints & brushes

1. Cut out the shape marked in yellow (right). You may need the help of an adult for this, as it can be a little tricky. Firstly, lay the carton flat. The carton must be cut a certain way, so make sure it is lying as it is in the photo, with the opening of the carton standing vertically. Find the half way mark between the top and bottom (as in the photo) and using a ruler and a marker, draw a line lengthways all the way around the box. Next, measure in approximately 4.5 cm from the base of the carton and draw another line widthways around the box. The markings will create the shape you need. Cut along the line as shown in yellow in the photo.



2. Cut the lip off the opening of the top section. Tuck the top section into the bottom section. The front of the top section should tuck neatly into the folds in the bottom section.



3. Cut a piece of card the size of the opening of the cabin, adding an extra 1 cm on each side. Fold these 1 cm flaps and slot the card into the opening and stick in place using tape.



4. Tape the two sections together, carefully taping where they join and also the hole created by the folds.

