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## HOMEMADE PUZZLES PT. 2

**Age:** 6+

Materials: Cereal box, scissors, ruler, pencil, and eraser.

Introduction: Staying at home these weeks has been very challenging for all of us, and we need to find new and fun things to find joy in our days. Making your own puzzle is a fun activity and a great workout for our brains. These homemade puzzles can make heartfelt gifts to your friends and family and they are also a great way to help the earth by recycling cereal box cardboard.

A puzzle is a game in which we need to put pieces together in a logical way, in order to arrive at the correct solution.

## Activity: Custom made Cereal box puzzle

- This activity is very similar to the previous one, but we are doing something different in the beginning!
- Once you have cut out the front panel of the cereal box with the scissors, flip your cereal box cardboard over and place it image-side down.
- Make a drawing on the image-free side of the cardboard. If you want an extra challenge, try drawing using only one color of pen or marker. This is called a monochromatic picture. Your brain will have to find other ways to assemble the puzzle than using color.

Need an extra challenge? Try using many lines and similar shapes in your drawing. Circles, lines, triangles....try distributing them along in your drawing.







Now that your drawing is complete, repeat the same steps from the first activity starting from the second step. (If you want, you can use the opposite side of your drawing to mark your pieces).

