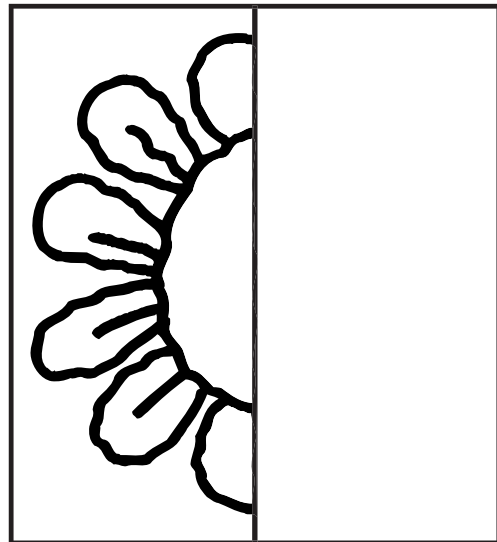
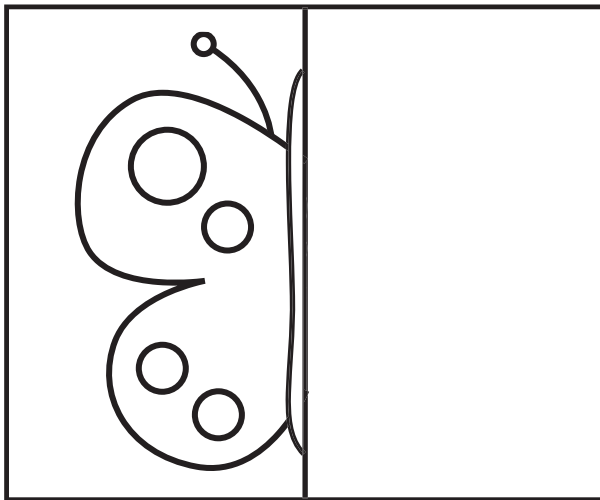
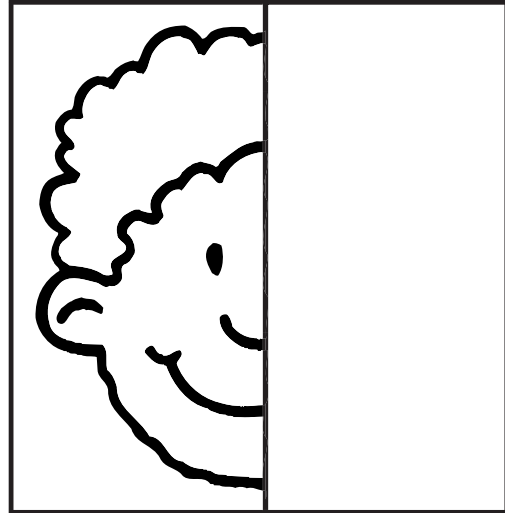


Symmetrical shapes

- You will need some scissors and a small mirror.
- Put the mirror on the fold line next to the first shape.
- Say what the whole picture will be.
- Now cut around the rectangle and fold it in half.
- Cut out the shape and open out the folded paper.
- Have you made the picture you expected?



- Do the same thing for the other shapes.

Dear Helper

This activity helps your child to recognise symmetrical pictures. Talk with your child about what they can see in each half-picture. Encourage them to use the mirror to check that they have guessed what the whole picture will be. If they place the mirror along the fold line, they should be able to see the whole outline by combining the half-picture with its reflection. Challenge your child to look at home for things that have a line of symmetry, such as a sheet of paper or a window.