

# Pets Unleashed Decorating Instructions

## Rover's Park

Step 1: Staple Green Meadow Plastic to the Blue Sky Plastic Backdrop.

Step 2: Create rolling hills by cutting the top of the Meadow Plastic Backdrop in a wavy pattern and taping to the blue plastic.

Step 3: Add another layer of Meadow Plastic Backdrop to the floor to extend your stage area. Wave the edge again so there isn't a hard line.

Step 4: Tape edges to the floor to avoid trip hazards.

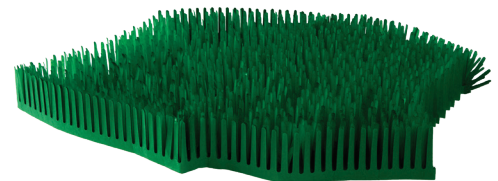
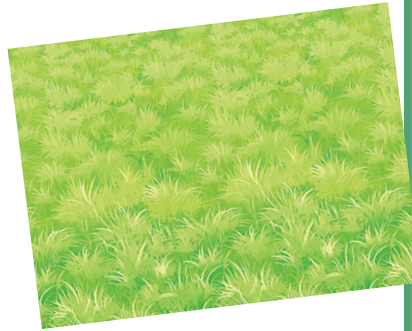
Step 5: Bring in the items that you've mounted on foam core. (Or you can tape directly to the Sky Plastic Backdrop)

Optional: gather park bench and trees

### Supplies

- Meadow Plastic Backdrops\*
- Big Blue Sky Wall Hanging\*
- Tissue Paper Grass Mats\*
- park bench
- flowers
- rocks
- clear packing tape
- gaffers tape

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## Rover's House

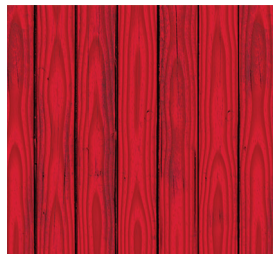
Step 1: Cut out posters, trim leaving a white margin.

Step 2: Reverse roll poster, apply spray adhesive on foam board. Carefully unroll the poster onto the foam board, smoothing from top to bottom.

Step 3: Use utility knife to trim mounted poster.

Step 4: Use foam board scraps and cut triangle pieces to create stands for the posters. Score at 1-inch, bend to create flap. Attach to back of mounted poster using hot glue. Place ½ inch from the bottom of the foam board. Let glue dry.

Note: Tape the two pieces of the foam mounted doghouse posters together with gaff tape.



### Supplies

- foam core
- cutting mat
- straight edge
- scissors
- utility knife
- clear packing tape
- spray adhesive
- Giant Decorating Poster Pack\*
- Green Tissue Paper Grass Mat\*
- Sky Plastic Backdrop\*
- Meadow Plastic Backdrop\*
- hot glue gun
- hot glue sticks
- drop cloth

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### 3-D Fire Hydrant

The concrete form tube we bought was 4 feet tall, so we cut the tube down to about 3 feet, using an X-Acto knife. When you're happy with the tube height for your hydrant, begin by putting the bowl upside-down on top of the tube. Then add the cardboard rings on top. Once you are happy with where everything is placed, tape it together. Next, fit the metal mason jar rings to each side of the tube, as if you are going to screw them against the tube, and tape them so that there is no gap and they arc with the tube. The metal has a little give to it, so it should bend to fit snugly against the tube. Set the cup inside the ring, with the lip of the cup closest to the tube, and tape or hot glue them to the tube. Spray paint the entire hydrant red and add a Pets Unleashed logo.



#### Supplies

- 8-inch diameter concrete form tube from a local hardware store
- X-Acto knife
- 2 small plastic cups
- 2 metal mason jar rings (that the cups fit into)
- plastic bowl that rests on top
- 2 small cardboard rings (for the top, we used tape rolls)
- red spray paint
- Pets Unleashed logo printed from the Clip Art & Resources CD\*
- duct tape

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# Tree

## Tree Top

To start, lay the two hula hoops down so they overlap a bit and zip tie them together. Next, lay both tablecloths down side by side on the floor and tape together; lay the hoops on top of the tablecloths. Tape the plastic in a couple of spots to cover the hoops. You want to keep the plastic very baggy at this point and just cover the hoops. Next, flip it over and bunch the plastic here and there in three or four spots and staple it together. Hang the tree top from the ceiling using fish line. Then continue to billow and bunch the plastic until it looks like a tree top. The tree top will hang right in front of the base.



### Supplies

- 2 hula hoops
- clear packing tape
- stapler
- 2 green plastic tablecloths (108 in. x 54 in.)
- zip ties
- fishing line

## Tree Base

Stabilize the carpet tube on a c-stand, music stand, or some other base of your choice. Then cut a long sheet of brown paper (about a third longer than the tree), crumple it up, wrap it around the carpet tube, and tape it to the back side. Bunch and staple the paper along the trunk to give it texture like a real tree trunk. Set the base beneath the hanging tree top.



### Supplies

- brown craft paper
- cardboard carpet tube cut to the height you want your tree
- c-stand base or handmade wooden base
- stapler
- duct tape
- scissors



## Fish Bowl

Cut out a large circle from the vinyl, whatever size you would like your fishbowl to be.

Next decide how much "water" you want in the bowl, and cut the cardboard to that height, matching the shape of the cut to the vinyl fish bowl. This helps give the bowl shape and stability.

Cover the cardboard with water fabric; then attach the vinyl to the back edges of the cardboard.

Roll the top of the vinyl under to help give it a round lip. Add the cut pool noodles inside your fishbowl and fix the die-cut fish to your water fabric using t-pins.

Pin or tape your fishbowl to the wall.



### Supplies

- clear vinyl table covering (108 in. x 54 in.)
- Water Fabric\*
- cardboard
- tape
- T-pins
- Die-Cut Fish\*
- pool noodles, cut into smaller pieces
- scissors

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## Hamster Wheel

Drill two holes at each end of the 1x4 boards for a zip tie to pass through. This is how you will attach the boards to the hula hoops. Drill a hole in the center of the boards that is 1.25 inches, which will allow the wheel to spin on the pipe.

Lay the hula hoops one on top of the other, and mark spots every 6 to 8 inches around the hoops. Drill  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch holes in the places you've marked, so you have two hoops with identically placed holes. Next, slide the dowels through the holes, then secure the hula hoops to the 1x4 boards with the zip ties.

To pull it all together, assemble the PVC legs on each side with the PVC elbows, then place the boards with the center holes on the center PVC, and then lock those into the remaining slot in the PVC elbow.

Once it is built, spray paint the entire wheel silver.



### Supplies

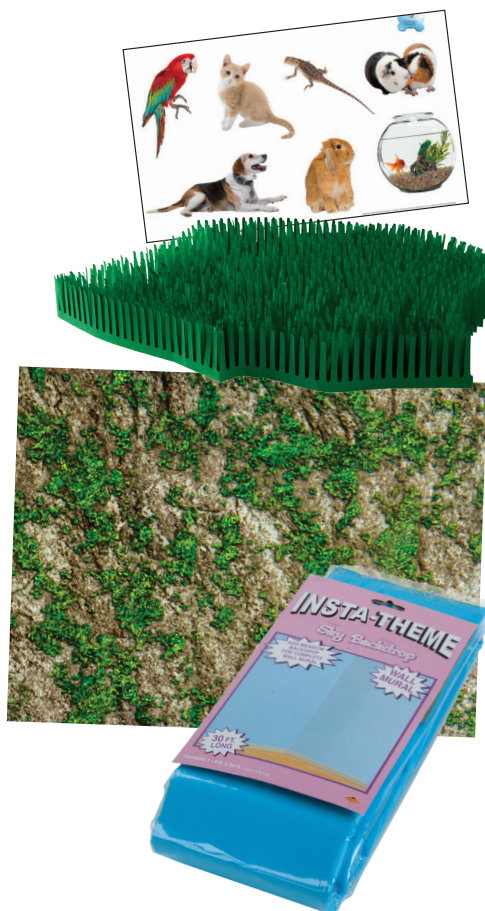
- 2 hula hoops
- eighteen  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch dowel rods
- four 1-inch PVC pipes measuring 36 inches long (you'll have to cut with saw)
- 2 PVC 3-way 1-inch elbows
- saw
- drill with  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch drill bit
- 1.25-inch spade drill bit
- two 1x4 inch boards cut to the size of the hula hoop diameter
- zip ties
- silver spray paint





## Iguana Tank

Cut out a rectangle frame from your cardboard or foam core about 3 inches wide all the way around. No need to be precise—wavy edges are fun! Cut out a piece of clear vinyl to cover the opening and tape it to the back. Next, cut out the lizard and gather the items to put in his environment. Brown paper can be used for sand; the Tissue Paper Grass Mats give him a cozy spot to rest. Lean the “tank” up against the Sky Plastic Backdrop, add the lizard and his environment in between the frame and the backdrop, and the lizard is ready for visitors!



### Supplies

- black foam core or cardboard painted black (3 ft. x 5 ft.)
- clear vinyl table covering
- Tissue Paper Grass Mats\*
- Cave Wall Plastic Backdrop\* or brown craft paper
- Lizard from the Giant Decorating Poster Pack\*
- Sky Plastic Backdrop\*
- tape
- scissors

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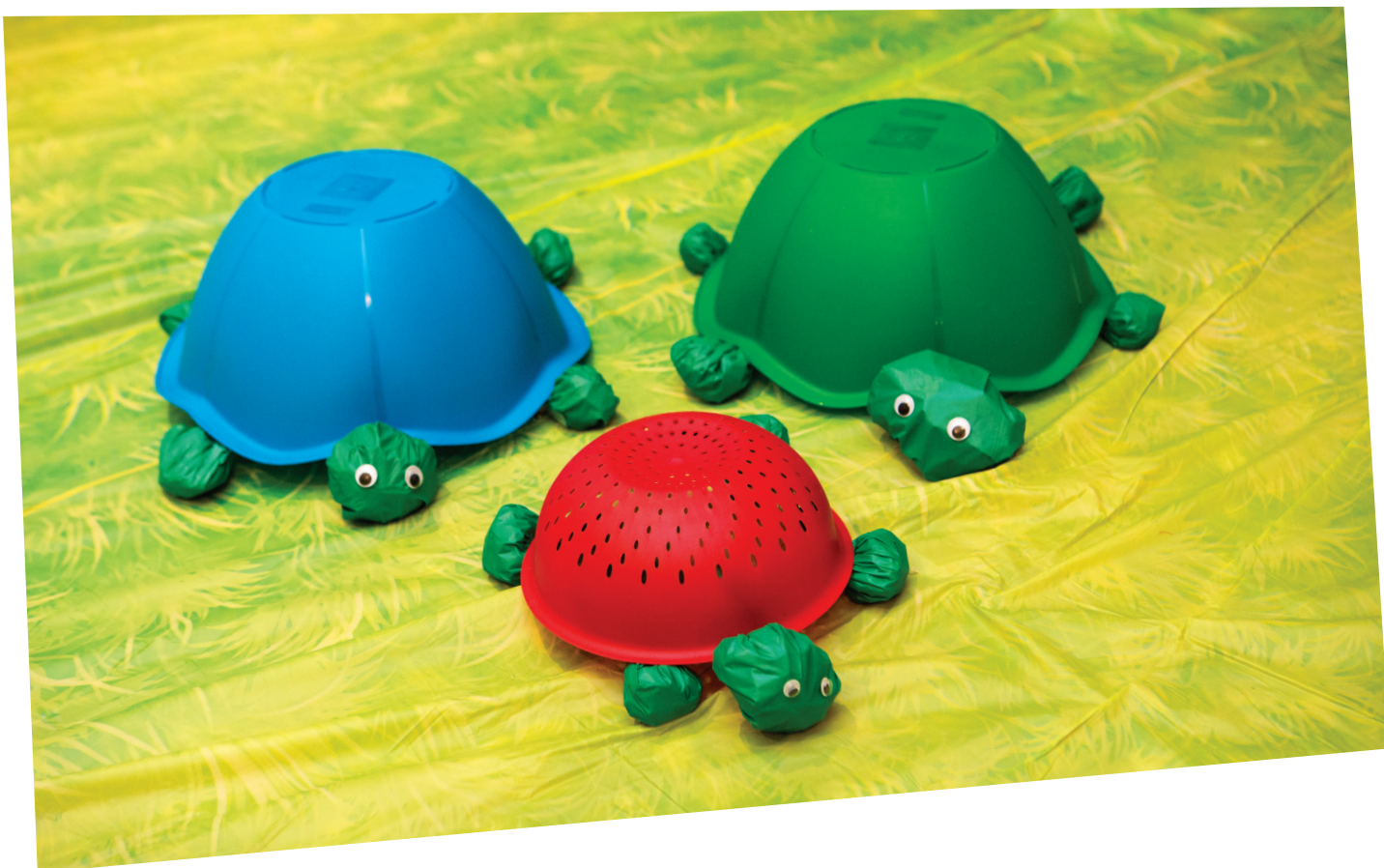
## Turtles

Cut the plastic into about 12-inch and 6-inch circles, and fill with crumpled newsprint to create head and feet shapes. Secure the plastic around the newspaper using rubber bands. Tape the head and four feet shapes to the underside of each bowl. Add googly eyes to the head with Glue Dots, and add a tail by rolling a thin section of the green plastic into a tight tube and tape it to the underside of the bowl. Easy and adorable!

### Supplies

- plastic bowls or colanders (we found bowls, colanders, and tablecloths at the dollar store.)
- green plastic tablecloths
- googly eyes
- clear packing tape
- newspaper
- rubber bands
- scissors
- Glue Dots\*

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## Doggie Door

Use the overhead to project the doggie image onto the foam core. Trace the face shape on the white foam core, and lightly trace the details of the eyes, mouth, and nose. On the black foam core, use the white crayon to trace the nose, eyes, and ears. Cut the shapes out. Lay the black eyes and nose in place on the white foam core. Glue the eyes, ears, and nose down and allow to dry. Paint or marker all the additional details of the mouth and eyes. Tape it to the top of the doorway. For added fun, you might want to use pool foam kickboards or red felt for the tongue on the floor.

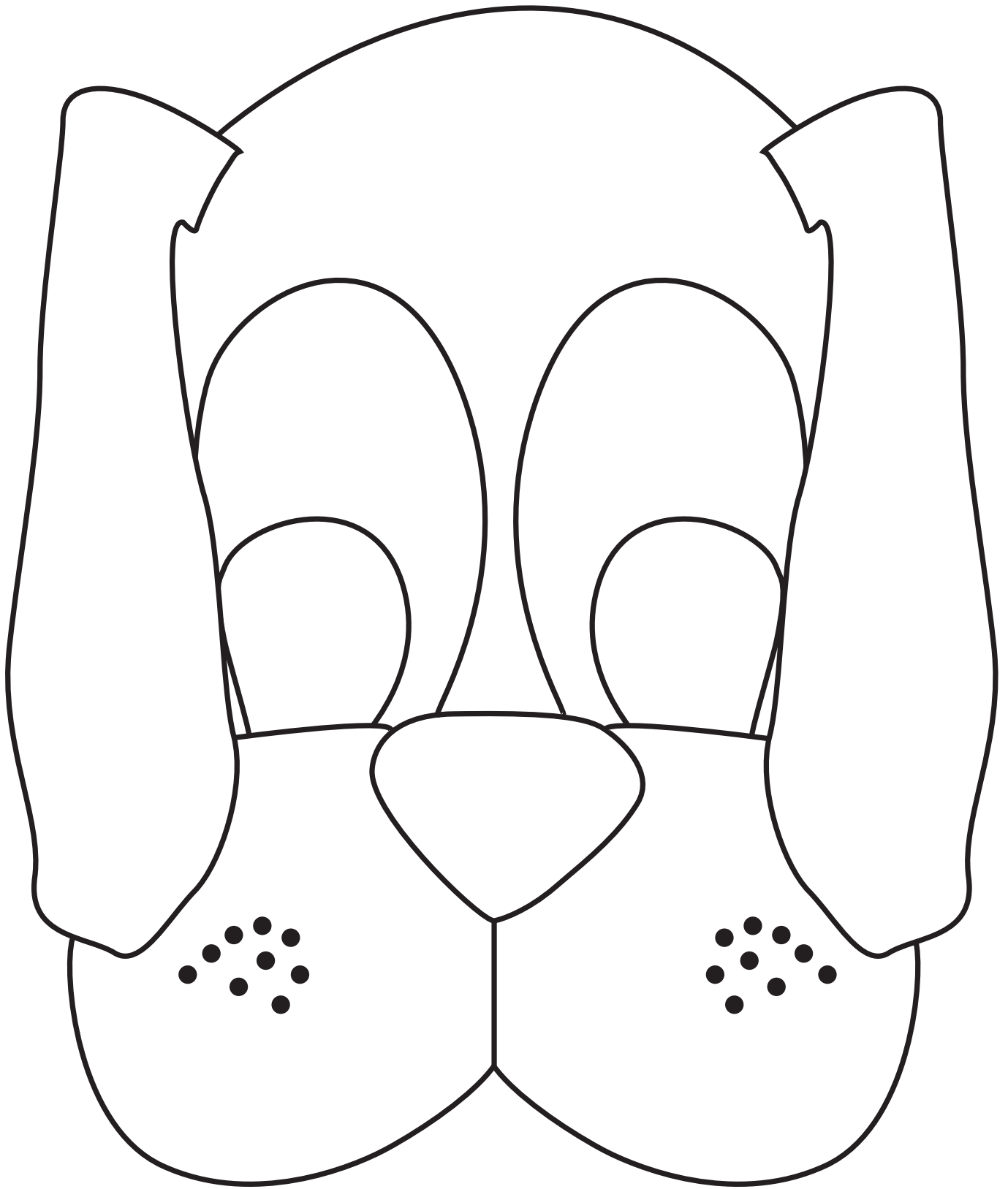
### Supplies

- sheet of black foam core
- sheet of white foam core
- black thick permanent marker or black paint
- white crayon
- glue
- overhead projector
- provided image of the dog on pages 11-12
- cutting blade and surface to cut on
- red felt









## Critter Crawl Tunnel

Cut the hula hoops so that you can slide the pool noodles over them, covering the plastic ring of the hula hoop—these will be your arches for your tunnel.

Tape the covered hula hoops to the walls in a hallway. Once you have the number of arches you want, cover the hoops with clear plastic to create a clear tunnel.

### Supplies

- pool noodles
- hula hoops
- tape
- thin clear plastic drop cloth (found with the painting supplies)

