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## Caterpillar Patterns

Make a caterpillar pattern to wear as a hat.

### What to do

#### What you need

- Construction paper strips
- Caterpillar Face Outline
- 6 Circle Outlines
- Scissors
- Stapler

**1** Cut out a caterpillar face.

**2** Select the colors you want to use to make a pattern.

**3** Cut out 6-8 circles to make your pattern. *What pattern did you make?*

**4** Arranging the circles into your pattern (example, blue, green, blue, green).

**5** Make a headband with the construction paper strips to fit around your head.

**6** Staple the caterpillar face to the headband.

**7** Staple the circles onto the headband to form your caterpillar pattern. *Now you're ready to wear your caterpillar hat!*

### For Parents

Patterns are everywhere in the world. They are an important part of understanding math relationships and counting. When making and describing a pattern, your child is expanding his or her understanding of what patterns are. Try making another caterpillar with the same colors but different pattern. Try making a more complex pattern.

