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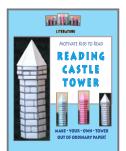




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Adjust for young children:



Brena's Tower, 1st grade

- Use Glue
- Make rings
- Glue together.

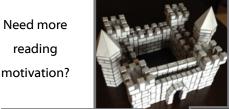
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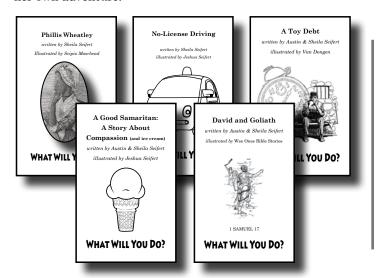
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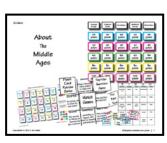
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Reading Castle Tower Directions

Materials

- 1 roll of Scotch double-sided tape
- 1 bottle of Elmer's school glue

Scissors

11 sheets of ordinary or colored

paper (20 to 24 pound weight) with the following patterns:

- 4 sheets printed of the Round Tower - One Stone (RTOS)
- 3 sheets printed of the Round Tower - Two Stones (RTTS)

2 sheets printed of the Rounded Tower - Large Stone (RTLS)

1 **sheet** printed of the Rounded Tower - 2 Large Stones (RT2LS)

1 sheet printed of the Tower Roof (TR)

Kids get one block for every five minutes they read!

Print the block patterns and roof on plain or colored copy paper. Make the patterns into blocks. These blocks will be combined to make tower elements. The elements, when put together, create the Reading Castle Tower. Kids get one block for every five minutes they read!

Four Tower Elements

TOWER BASE - Make first.



Made from 6 RTOS and 3 RTTS blocks. It sits at the bottom of your Reading Castle Tower. (Make one.) Set aside for later use.

UPPER TOWER - Make second.



Make from 3 RTTS, 6 RTLS and 3 RT2LS blocks. It fits on the Tower Base and on the Lower Tower, (Make one.) Slide on the base.

TOWER ROOF - Make third.



Made from 6 RTLS and 3 RT2LS blocks, and one Tower Roof. (Make one.) Create a small reading tower from these first three elements.

LOWER TOWER - Make last.



Made from 6 RTOS and 6 RTTS blocks. The more you make, the higher your tower grows. Place between the Tower Base and the Upper Tower.

Tower Block Directions

1. Cut all dashed lines. Fold all straight lines. (The RTLS is shown in the photos, but the instructions are for all

of the following Round Tower Blocks: RTOS, RTTS, RTLS, RT2LS.)



2. Place double-sided tape along the folds of the "a" and "b" tabs. (I marked these areas with yellow in the photograph.)



3. Fold one "a" tab beneath the A Flap (flap between the "a" tabs). Match the edge of the A Flap to the fold line of the "a" tab.



4. Fold the other "a" tab beneath the A Flap. Match the edge of the A Flap to the fold line of the other "a" tab.



5. Turn over the block. Fold and place a finger between the two "b" tabs. Place the top "b" tab beneath the B Flap (flap between the "b" tabs). Match the edge of the B Flap to the fold line of the folded "b" tab.

6. Remove your finger and press the remaining "b" tab beneath the B Flap. Match the edge of the B Flap to the fold line of the folded "b" tab.

7. The RT2LS, RTLS, RTOS, or RTTS block is now complete. Note: Some

parents and teachers choose to use quickdrying glue instead of double-sided tape.



Tower Base Directions

Make 6 RTOS and 3 RTTS blocks (see Tower Block directions) to make all nine of these blocks for the Tower Base.

1. Glue the sides of two RTOS together. Repeat for three sets of two. Let dry.





2. Glue the sides of two sets together. Let dry.



3. Glue the third set to what is now a set of four. This is called a ring. Let dry.



4. Take one RTTS and glue it over the top of one RTOS so they are exactly aligned in front and on the sides.



5. Repeat, but place the second RTTS block and the third one so that there is a space of one RTOS between each.





6. Your Tower Base is complete.



Upper Tower Directions

Make 6 RTOS, 3 RTTS, 6 RTLS, and 3 RT2LS blocks (see Tower Block Directions) to make these 18 blocks.

- 1. Make a Tower Base, with the Tower Base Directions (above), using 6 RTOS and 3 RTTS. Let dry.
- 2. Make a Tower Base, with the Tower Base Directions (above), using 6 RTLS and 3 RT2LS. Let dry.
- 3. Glue the flat side of each Tower Base that you just made together. The RTTS

ring and the RTLS ring won't completely align, so line up their centers, not their outside edges. Let dry.





6. Your Upper Tower is complete.

Tower Roof Directions

Make 6 RTLS and 3 RT2LS blocks (see Tower Block Directions) to make all 9 of these blocks to make the Tower Roof.

1. Make a Tower Base, with the Tower Base Directions on the previous page, using 6 RTLS and 3 RT2LS. Let dry.

2. Find the Tower Roof pattern. Cut along the dotted lines. Fold along all straight lines. Place two-sided tape on the Side Flap triangle. (I have marked these areas with yellow, below.)





3. Place the Side Flap with the two-sided tape on it beneath the triangle on the opposite edge of the pattern. Press the tape to keep it in place. Refold bottom flaps.







4. Put glue all along the top edge of the Tower Base you made in step 1.

5. Set the cone roof on top of the flat surface of the Tower Base so its flap touch the glue. Position the roof so the bottom

of each triangle aligns with the top of each block. The Tower Roof is done. Let dry.



Lower Tower Directions

Make 6 RTOS and 6 RTTS blocks (see Tower Block Directions) to make all 12 of these blocks for the Lower Tower.

- 1. Make one Tower Base, with the Tower Base Directions, using 6 RTOS and 3 RTTS blocks. Let dry.
- 2. Turn upside down. Repeat steps 4 and 5 of the Tower Base, but on the opposite side of the ring. The three new



RTTS should alternate with the lower RTTS so they are not stacked on top of each other. Your Lower Tower element is complete

Put Your Tower Together

The elements you've made stack on each other. The first time you put tower elements together, carefully slide them into place. If you combine the Tower Base and the Upper Tower, you will have a small tower. As you add Lower Tower elements between the Tower Base and the Upper Tower, your tower will grow.

Remember that blocks put together by children may not be even and stick out in places. That's okay.

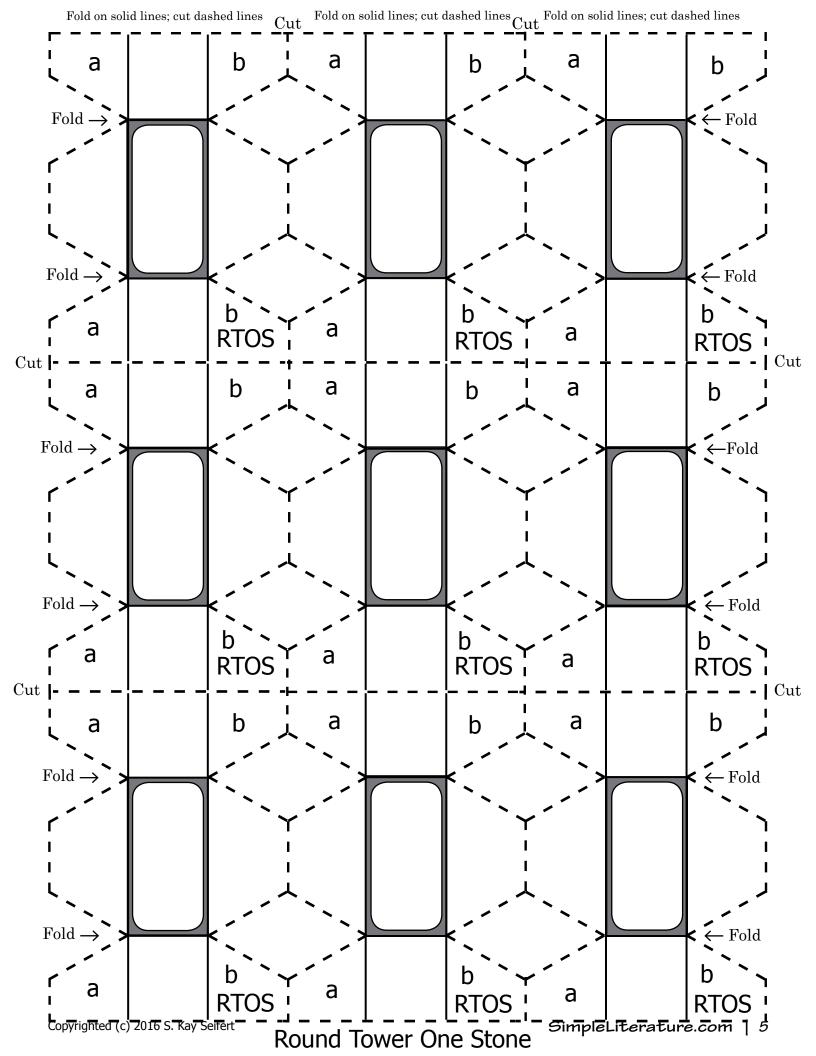


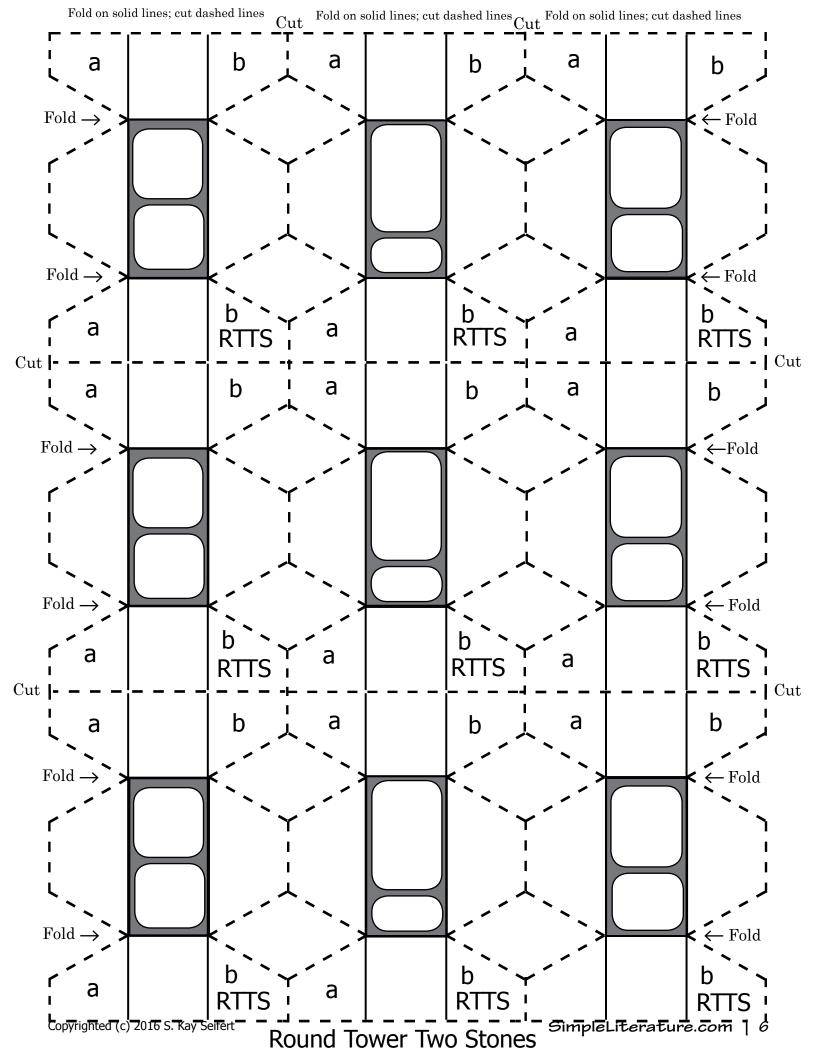
This merely makes the tower look more weathered and rugged.

Fold-Your-Own Booklet

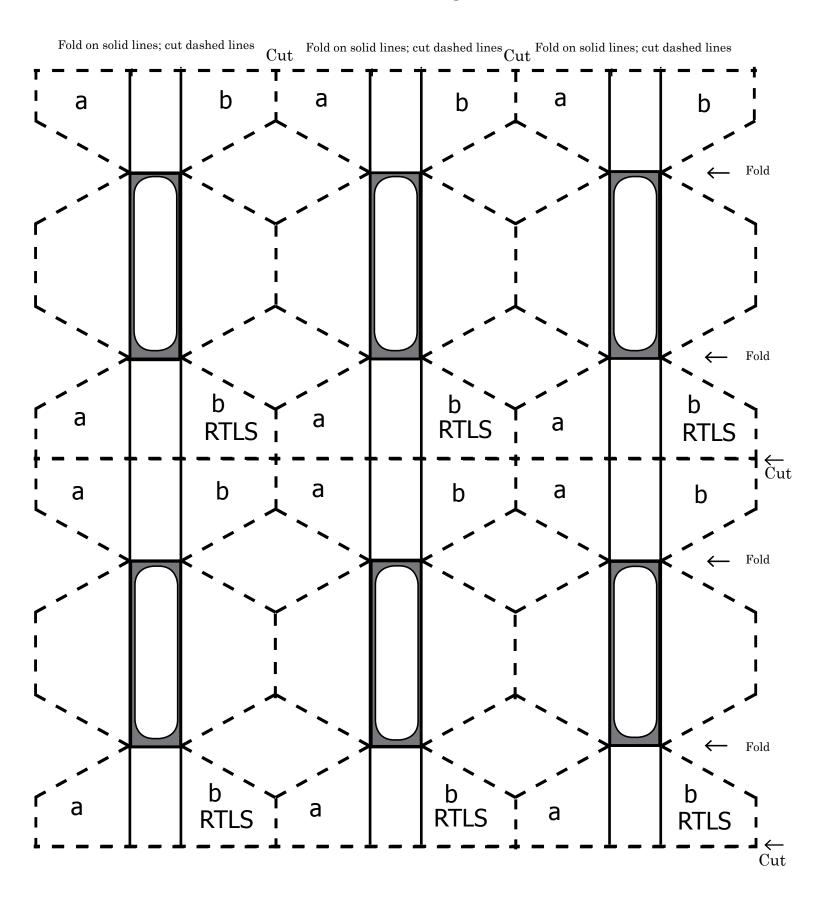
Make a copy of the booklet at the end of the file for your kids. Have them follow these directions to make their booklets:

- 1. Fold the sheet of paper in half the long way. The printed side of the sheet should be showing. Unfold.
- 2. Fold the sheet of paper in half the short way. The printed side of the sheet should be showing.
- 3. Fold the lines that are halfway between the center fold and the edge of the paper into the middle; this time the printed side will be on the inside. (The short, outside edge, on either edge of the sheet should be lined up with the center fold.) Unfold the outside edges only.
- 4. With a scissor, cut along the crease that has a dotted line on it, in the middle of the page. Unfold.
- 5. Refold the sheet of paper in half the long way. The printed side of the sheet should be visible.
- 6. Push page cover-1 toward page 4-5 so the middle pages form a diamond. Push together so these front-back pages form: cover-1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7.
- 7. Fold so the cover is on one side of the booklet, page 7 is on the back of the booklet, and all other pages are between them. Your booklet is done.

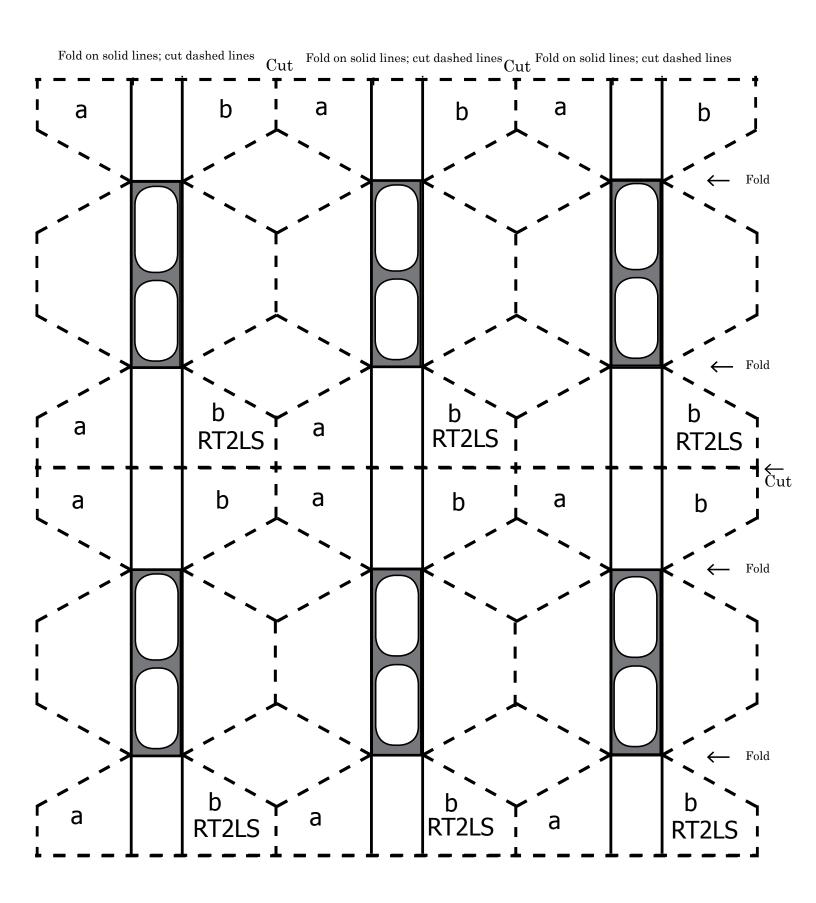




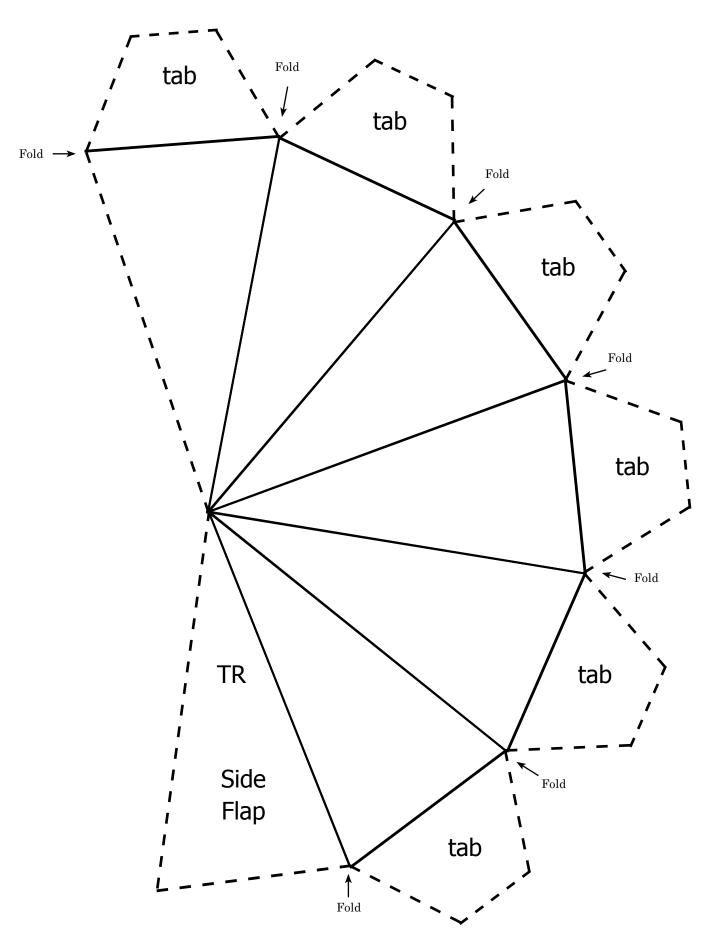
Round Tower Large Stone



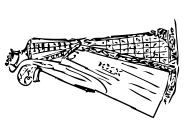
Round Tower 2 Large Stones



Tower Roof



WHAT WILL YOU DO?



its matching pair. Soon after, you

and the Prince marry, and you

both live happily ever after.

"I wish to go to the ball," you say.

"Then you shall," she says.

A kind voice says, "Why are you so sad?" It is your fairy godmother.

declares, "I will marry the woman

The next morning, the prince

rags, pumpkin, mice, rat.

everything becomes as it was one glass slipper. Soon almost

H → In your rush, you lose

whose foot fits this glass slipper."

Their feet are too big or too small.

Every young woman tries it on.

☐ Choice 1: If you try it on, go to

"M" on page 7.

Make a choice. Check the box.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

☐ Choice 2: If you break it, go to

"J" on page 6.

I → ☐ You can't go to the ball in

rags. Go to "E" on page 3.

THE END

illustrated by Talbot Hughes adapted by Sheila Seifert

Cinderella

to have a mother and sisters. Soon daughters, because he wants you He marries a woman with two Your father loves you very much **A → Pretend your name is Ella.** after, he dies.

Make a choice. Check the box. WHAT WILL YOU DO?

your own, go to "L" on page 7. ☐ Choice 1: If you strike out on

servant to your stepfamily, go to "F" ☐ Choice 2: If you become a on page 4.

on page 5. prince would understand. Go to "H" **B** → You do not know if the

> a satin-lined coach from a pumpkin **C**→ Your fairy godmother makes coachman. horses. From a rat, she makes a From mice, she makes a set of gray

Make a choice. Check the box. WHAT WILL YOU DO?

thing, go to "E" on page 3. ☐ Choice 2: If you need one more ball, go to "I" on page 5. Choice 1: If you leave for the

to do. Go to "K" on page 6. about it. They give you extra work because your stepsisters are excited $\mathbf{D} \mapsto \square$ You hear about the ball

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

☐ Choice 2: If she keeps her word,

go to "C" on page 2.

☐ Choice 1: If you go with her to

the ball, go to "G" on page 4.

Make a choice. Check the box.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

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ask. It slides easily onto your foot. From your pocket, you withdraw L → ☐ You don't know how to M → U "May I try it on?" you live on your own. Go to "F" on page 4. J → ☐ You don't break it. Go to "M" kingdom are invited, but you have to work day and night to help your K → All the young ladies in the ready. Once they leave, you cry. stepsisters and stepmother get

on page 7.

are glass slippers. become a lovely gown. On your feet your rags with her wand. They **E** → Your fairy godmother touches

her words and leave for the ball. will go away." You promise to heed At the stroke of midnight, all this She says, "Be home by morning.

the clock begins to strike midnight. with him. You both fall in love. Then The prince asks you to dance

Make a choice. Check the box. WHAT WILL YOU DO?

"H" on page 5. ☐ Choice 2: If you hurry away, go to your whole story, go to "B" on page 1. ☐ Choice 1: If you tell the prince

> you Cinder Ella, which becomes fire. It is warm there. They name feather beds, you sleep by the serve everyone in your family. **F**→ You have to cook, clean and Though your family sleeps on

One day you hear about a royal

Cinderella.

go to "K" on page 6. ☐ Choice 1: If you are invited to it, Make a choice. Check the box. WHAT WILL YOU DO?

it, go to "D" on page 2. ☐ Choice 2: If you aren't told about

ready. Go to "C" on page 2. doesn't go, but she helps you get **G** → Your fairy godmother