Make your own Puzzle!

For this activity parents and students will create their own fun puzzle. For younger students, helpers might be needed for some of the drawing and/or cutting. For older students, the project can be made more complex by using larger pieces of paper, increasing the number of puzzle pieces, and/or not giving them an image of the work to use as a reference when putting the puzzle together.

Materials:
- A drawing (or even a photo your child took, enlarged to fit a sheet of paper)
- Cereal box
- Glue
- Scissors

Instructions:
1. Cut open a cereal box and cover it with glue (I recommend using a glue stick or spray adhesive) and adhere the image to the picture side of the cereal box. Make sure the entire picture is securely glued onto the box; you don’t want to miss any spots, otherwise it might not stick properly after you cut out the pieces.
2. After the glue has dried, trim any excess cardboard.
3. Now comes the fun part! Flip it over and turn to the plain side of the box and draw in puzzle shapes. You can make the pieces as big or small as you would like (depending on your child’s age), and draw whatever shapes. There is no right or wrong way to do it! Or, if you need help, you can download a puzzle template and glue it to the cardboard.
4. Once you have all the shapes outlined, cut along the lines.