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The Year of The Rat 2020

2020 is the year of the Rat, according to Chinese Zodiac, and more specifically the Metal Rat. Though people consider the rat not adorable, it ranks first on Chinese Zodiac signs. It has characteristics of an animal with spirit, wit, alertness, delicacy, flexibility and vitality. To celebrate this year Chinese Zodiac, we can create our very own paper Rat!

Materials:

- Printable Mouse Craft Template
- Grey, Brown or White Construction Paper or Cardstock
- Pink, Blue and Black Paper Scraps
- Pink or Blue Mini Pom Poms
- Eye Stickers
- Black Marker Pen
- Glue
- Scissors



Directions:

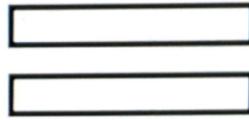
1. Print out your mouse craft template.
2. Trace around the template onto heavy colored paper or cardstock.
3. Fold approx. 2cm / 1 inch of the base of the triangle mouse body over.
4. This makes a stand to support your upright mouse.
5. Fold the point of the triangle over in the opposite direction to make your mouse head. (You can make this bigger or smaller by folding over different amounts.)
6. Glue your colored inner ears onto the bigger outer ears.
7. Use marker pen to draw curves all along the tail on both sides. If you want a curly tail for your paper mouse, gently wrap it around a marker pen or finger to curl it.
8. Glue the base of the rat's tail to the back of the rat's body.
9. Glue your two black whiskers in a cross onto the end of the mouse's nose.
10. Finish your paper mouse craft by gluing on the ears and adding two sticker eyes and a mini pom pom nose.



Outer Ears

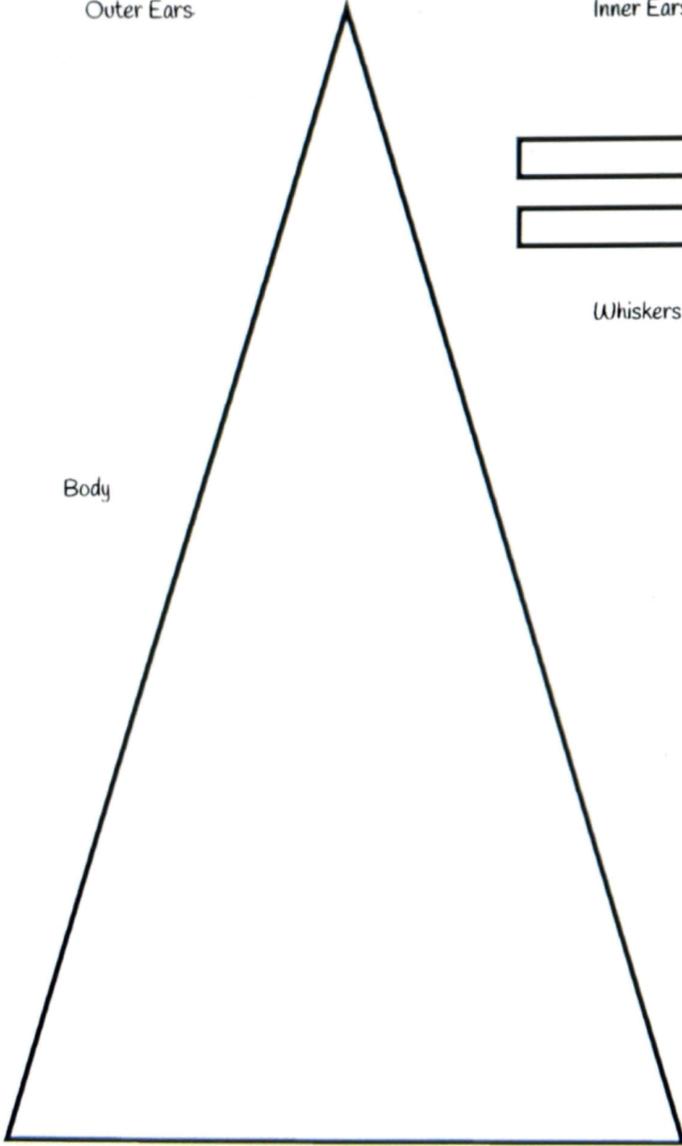


Inner Ears



Whiskers

Body



Tail

