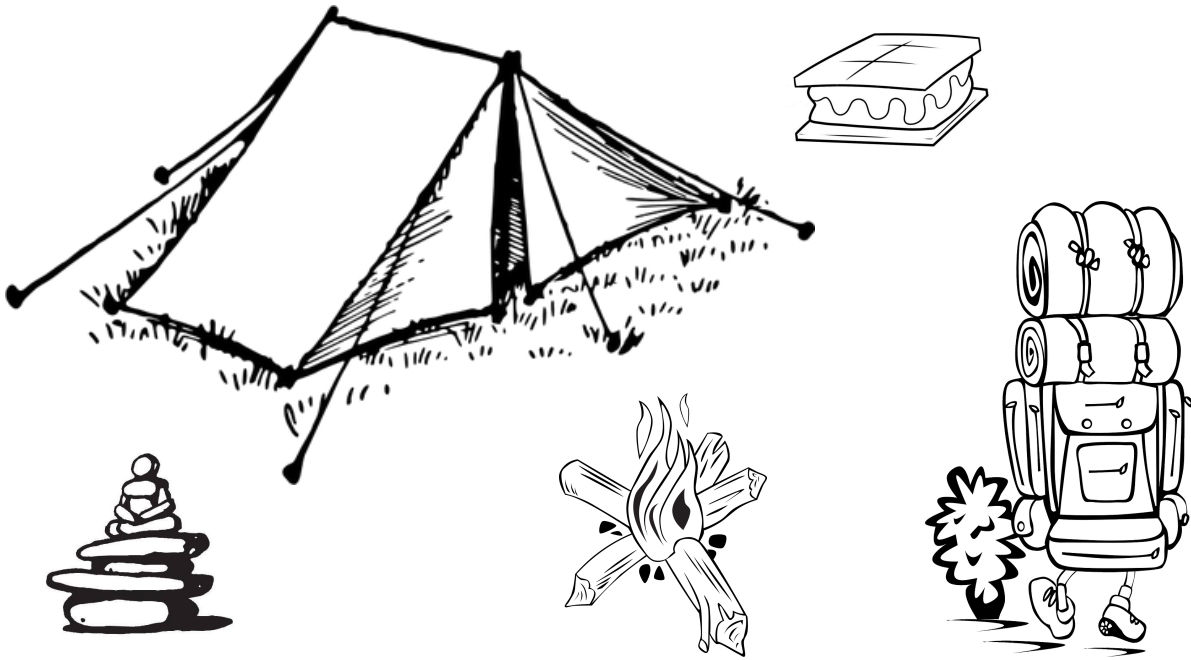




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Activity Book



CAMP

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HISTORY OF S'MORES

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The Gooey Story of S'Mores

“Though nobody quite agrees on where s’mores came from (or who gave them their silly name), it’s clear to me that the things could only have been invented by a kid. Nobody over ten years-old would ever think of squishing together a chocolate bar, a toasted marshmallow, and a pair of graham crackers, and calling it food.

That said, the s’more’s long yet vague history dates back at least to 1927 when a recipe for the more formally designated “some mores” appeared in *Tramping and Trailing with the Girl Scouts*, a helpful tome which also includes instructions for building 12 different kinds of campfires. Other sources attribute the original recipe to the Campfire Girls; and there’s also an argument that the gooey treat has its origins in the Victorian era, when popular picks for desserts were “sandwich cookies” and sponge cakes, variously filled with jam, cream, or lemon curd.

Alternatively, if the jump from elegant tea cake to sticky campfire snack seems a little much, other inspirational possibilities include the Mallomar—a graham cracker cookie topped with a blob of marshmallow and coated with chocolate, manufactured by Nabisco and first sold in Hoboken, New Jersey, in 1913; or the MoonPie—a pair of graham cracker cookies with a marshmallow filling, dipped in chocolate – that first went on the market in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in 1917.”



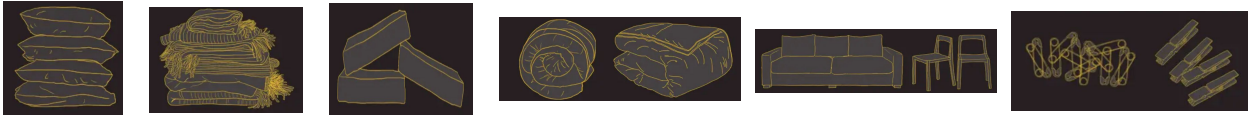
Source: <https://www.nationalgeographic.com/culture/food/the-plate/2015/08/14/the-gooey-story-of-smores/>



BUILD YOUR OWN FORT

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Step 1: Grab your supplies



- Pillows
- Blankets/Sheets
- Cushions
- Sleeping bag / comforter
- Couch and chairs
- Safety pins / clothes pins

Step 2: Begin assembling your fort

1. Using the safety pins/clothes pins start attaching the blankets and sheets to the couch and chairs.
2. You can use the cushions as side walls and to help support.
3. Remember to leave enough room for you to be able to get in.
4. Once the fort is up you can use the comforter and sleeping bag as the floor of the fort and for you to lay on.





WORD SEARCH

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Campfire

Smores

Map

Flashlight

Backpack

Cabin

Sleeping Bag

Canoe

Bug Spray

Compass

Tent

Lake

Lantern

Grill

Trail



COLORING PAGE

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JOURNAL PAGE

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PROMPT: What is your favorite camp activity?



MAD LIBS

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My Camp Adventure

Directions: Ask a family member or friend to play. Fill in each of the blank spaces with the appropriate type of word and what they say. Each blank tells you what kind of word goes there, such as a noun, verb or adjective. Outside of that, the choice of word you use is entirely up to you, no matter how ridiculous it is.

It was a _____ day and I was with _____ on our way to
(Adjective) (Person)

Summer Camp in _____. We were excited to see _____,
(Place) (Person)

_____, and everyone from last year's camp together. We
(Person)

packed our _____ into the _____ and headed on our
(Noun) (Vehicle)

way. After a _____ hour drive to _____, we finally arrived at
(Number) (City)

Camp _____. After checking in, I was thrilled to find out that I was
(Name)

Tribe _____ with all my friends. At dinner we made a fire and
(Animal)

ate lots of _____ and sang _____ until we
(Food) (Song)

could not sing any more. We had the best time and looked forward to the next _____
(Number)


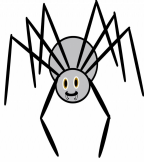


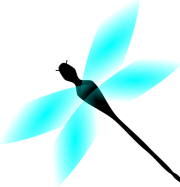

days and all the activities that we would do at Camp _____.
(Name)



NATURE BINGO

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Directions: Put an X on the items that you see or find. This can be used in a “scavenger hunt” format and can be a fun way to get out for a walk or during a 4th of July celebration. Ex: If you see red, blue, and white polka dots you can put an X on the 4th square under “G”.

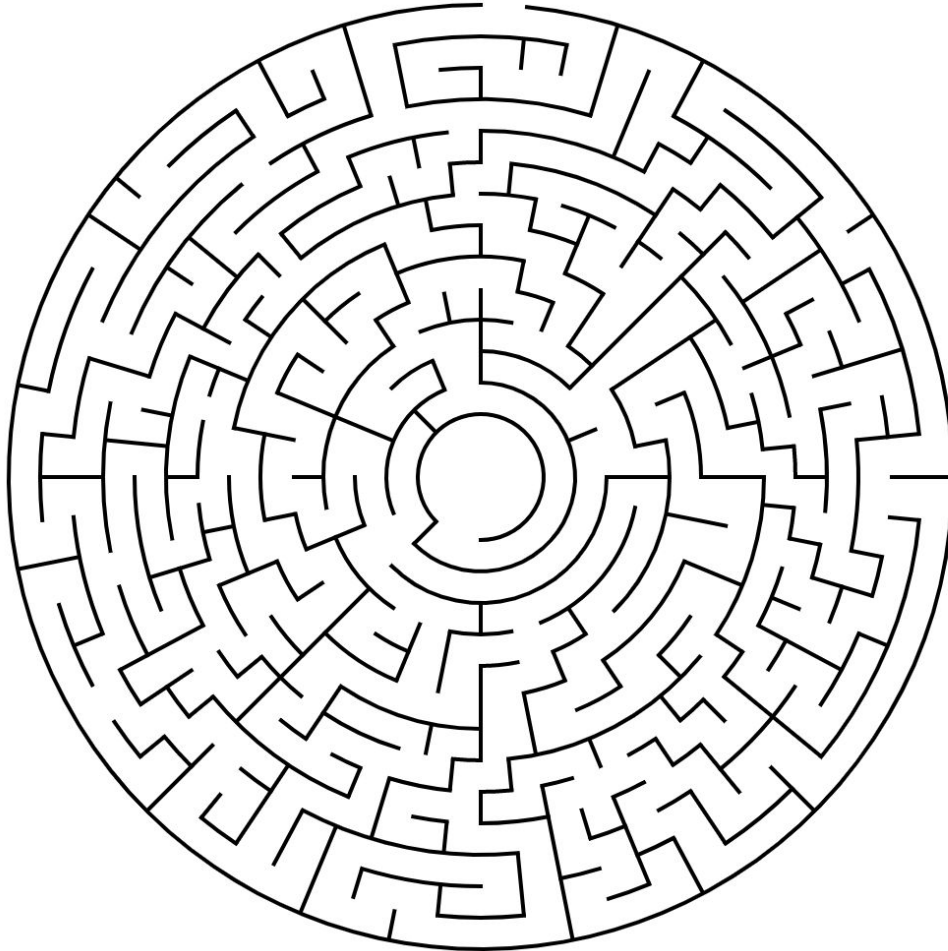
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CAMPFIRE MAZE

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Directions: Solve the following maze.





MORSE CODE

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Morse Code was invented by Samuel Morse and is a series of lines and dashes representing different letters and numbers. It was used to send telegraphic information using rhythm.

Directions: Use the International Morse Code key below to figure out the hidden message.

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CAMPFIRE PIZZA

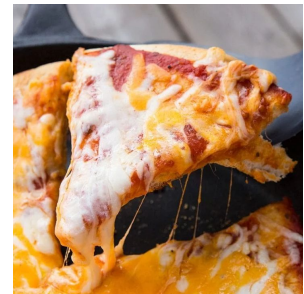
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Campfire Pizza

Yield: 1 PIZZA **Prep time:** 5 MINUTES **Cook time:** 15 MINUTES **Total time:** 20 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS

- 1 tube of refrigerated pizza dough or frozen pizza dough
- 1 jar of pizza sauce
- 2 cups of mozzarella cheese
- your choice of pepperoni mushrooms, vegetables, whatever toppings you want!



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Oil a cast iron pan (or baking sheet, pizza stone etc.)
2. Take the refrigerated dough and spread in the pan.
3. Place on the fire or the BBQ. Cook until the bottom has browned.
4. Remove from the fire and flip the crust in the pan.
5. Brush with pizza sauce, place your toppings on and then cover in cheese.
6. Return to the heat and cook until the crust is done underneath and the toppings are warm

Source: <https://www.thekitchenmagpie.com/how-to-make-campfire-pizza/>



ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

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READING:

- **Scholastic Summer Read-a-palooza**
<https://www.scholastic.com/summer/home/>
- **Camp Book-it**
- <https://www.bookitprogram.com/book-it-for-parents>

STEM:

- **Can you skip a rock?**
https://www.rei.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2019/07/DIY_HowToSkipARock.pdf
- **Build a cairn:**
<https://blogs.uoregon.edu/artofnature/2013/12/03/diy-rock-stacks-cairns/>



ANSWER KEY(S)

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MORSE CODE

We are excited that you are joining us for TAPS Summer Camp 2020

WORD SEARCH

MAZE

