

Trunk Template

To travel anywhere you need a suitcase, pre- 21st century suitcases were called trunks. Trunks were originally designed for sitting on the outside of horse carriages, featuring a domed lid allowing the rain to flow easily off. As train travel became more popular, trunks didn't need a dome lid instead they became flat topped as it was easier to stack.

At Bat & Ball Station there is a room called *The Luggage Room*, this was where all the luggage and post was stored ready to be transported on the train. Often, you wouldn't see your trunk again until the end of your journey at the other station- even if you changed trains!



Cut around the outside of the suitcase

Cut along these red dash lines



Fold along these grey dash lines



This template is best made using A3 card but can be made using A4 card- it'll be more of a challenge.

Step by Step



1. Cut around the outside of your suitcase, including the handles

2. Fold along the grey dotted lines. If you need help, use a ruler to help keep the folds straight and smooth.

3. Stick down the numbers in order, some areas can be a bit fiddly!



4. The inside of the suitcase should start to look like this!



5. Once the suitcase has taken shape, it's time to put on your straps and buckles.



6. For your handle, glue the ends and not the middle. You'll see on the suitcase a blue handle strap- this is where your strap will go. You want a gap in the middle of the strap for a hand to hold it.



7. You'll see on the suitcase a blue buckle strap holder near the handle, this is where your buckle straps will go. For your 1st buckle, glue the ends and not the middle. Place next to the strap. The long straps will thread through this to secure the suitcase. Repeat on the other side.



8. Next on top of the suitcase: Glue only one end of the long strap down onto the buckle. Then glue the buckle strap holder on top of the long strap. Repeat this on the other side. You should have 2 long straps ends loose with both buckles firmly glued down.



9. And your finished! You can now close your suitcase by tucking in the straps to secure it shut.



All done!