



**Craft**  
**Ages 6–8**  
**15 minutes**

## Goalie Mask

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### Description

Decorate your own goalie mask, inspired by the book *That's Not Hockey* by Andrée Poulin

### Space Considerations

Any type of space where kids can be seated to do a craft

### Competencies

- Artistic expression
- Development of fine motor skills

### Materials

- Card stock for printing the [goalie mask template](#)
- Crayons, pencil crayons or markers
- Construction paper or cardboard
- Glue sticks
- String or twine (5 pieces of 30 cm string for each participant)
- Tape
- Stickers, pompoms, beads, glitter and other decorative items (optional)
- Scissors (adult use only)
- One-hole punch (optional)

### Preparation

- Print the goalie mask templates on card stock.
- Optional: Pre-cut the mask, including the eyes, the mouth, and five small holes inside the border of the mask for the string. A one-hole punch may be useful for creating starter holes for scissors. For extra durability, you may consider gluing the mask onto construction paper or cardboard.

### Implementation

1. Distribute the goalie mask templates.

2. Optional: Provide participants with safety scissors if they are cutting around the borders of the mask. Cutting holes for the eyes, mouth and string is much more challenging—it is recommended this be done by staff or parents/caregivers.
3. Participants can colour their masks and affix various decorative items—stickers, glitter, pompoms, beads, etc.—using glue when needed.
4. Recommended: Place a small piece of tape between the string holes and the border of the mask—this will improve the durability of the mask.
5. Distribute five pieces of string or twine to each participant.
6. With adult assistance as needed, participants should thread a piece of string through each hole and tie a knot. They should be careful not to pull too tight as this might rip the masks.
7. With a mask held on the participant's face, staff or a parent/caregiver can help gently tie the mask behind the head.

## **Accessibility Considerations**

- Provide a variety of tactile items and colouring instruments that participants can use to decorate their masks in any way they see fit
- Offer pre-cut options for the mask, including all string holes
- Assist with knot tying as needed
- Offer easy-grip scissors if asking participants to cut out their own masks

## **Book Suggestions**

*Breaking the Ice: The True Story of the First Woman to Play in the National Hockey League* by Angie Bullaro

*Hockey Night in Kenya* by Danson Mutinda and Eric Walters

*Let's Play a Hockey Game* by Kari-Lynn Winters

*Meet Willie O'Ree* by Elizabeth MacLeod

*That's Not Hockey* by Andrée Poulin

## **Templates and Images**

# Goalie Mask Template



