

New Year's Greeting Card



This Jewish New Year's greeting was carved out of walrus tusk! Walrus-tusk carving was a traditional craft of the Inuit people in Alaska. This greeting was made by the most famous Inuit carver, whose nickname was Happy Jack. New Year's cards are usually decorated with pictures of family and Jewish symbols such as a shofar, the star of David, and the Book of Life. What did this artist include to make his New Year's card unique?

Materials you will need:

Pencil, crayons, or markers

Glue stick

Scissors

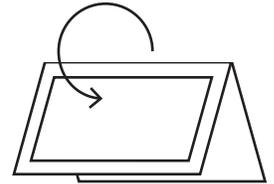
Optional: colored and patterned papers, ribbon, buttons, or other decorations.



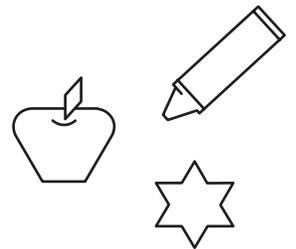
Create Your Own New Year's Greeting Card

1 Print out these pages to get started.

2 With the frame side facing out, fold page 3 on the dotted line. This is the beginning of your greeting card!



3 Take some time to think about your card's design. What kinds of pictures, symbols, or drawings do you want to put within the frame of the card? Consider drawing a portrait of your family. You might also want to add things you wish for in the New Year.

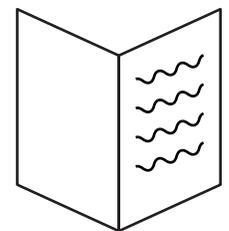


4 Choose symbols from page 4 that you may include. Add color and details. Think about other designs to include with the symbols.

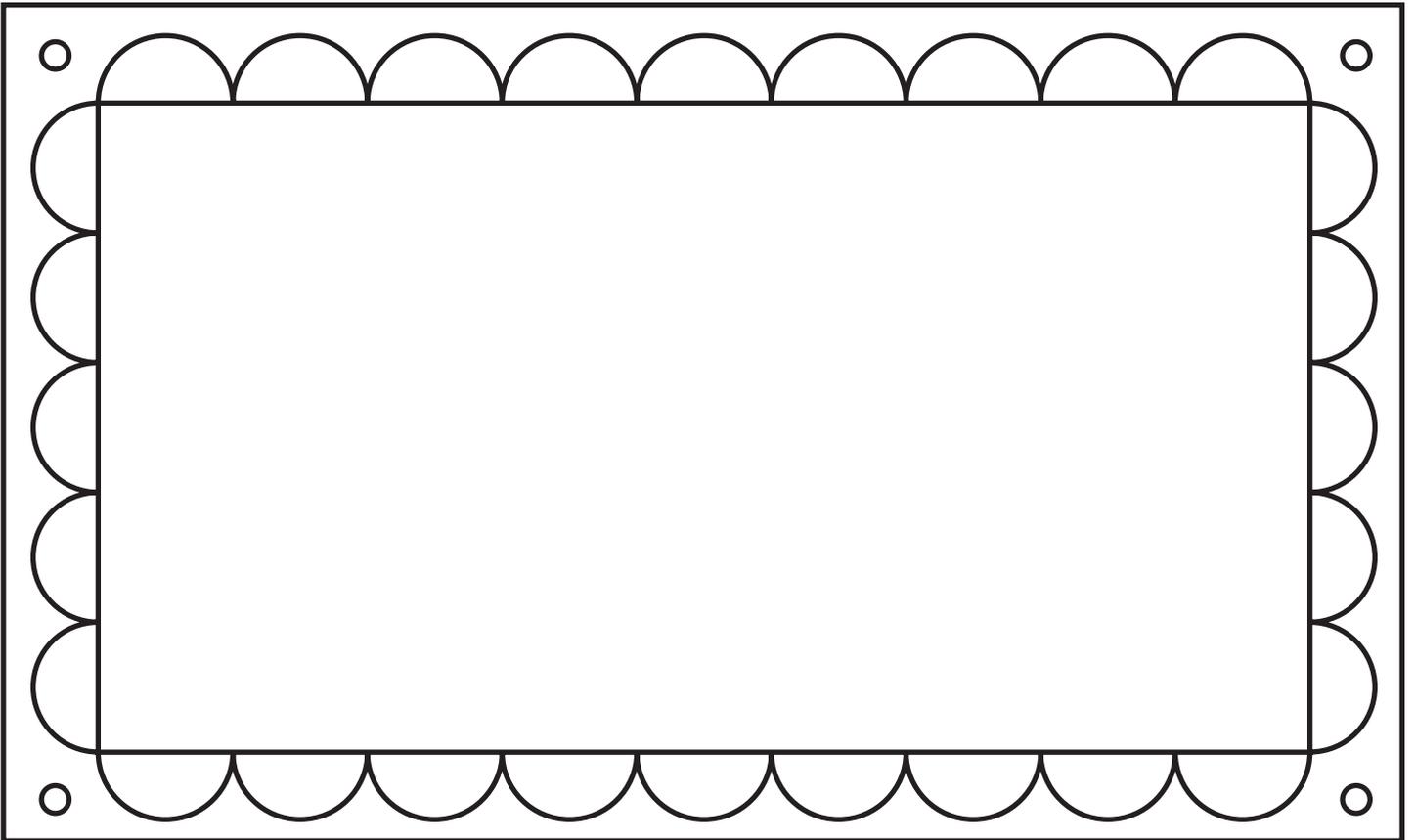


5 Once you have finished coloring your symbols, cut them out and decide where on your greeting card you will glue them. You can put some of the symbols on the inside of the card, and some on the outside.

Hint: If you have colored paper at home, you might want to use it to collage your own details or symbols onto your card.



6 Stand your card up to let the glue dry. Once the glue has dried, write a New Year's message inside. Give the card to someone special!



+ Color, cut, and paste these symbols to your card for added decoration.

