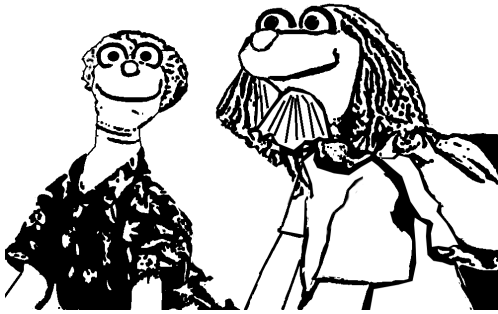


## The Adventures of Dave and Augie

### MAKE A KITE – EPISODE 2 – THE WORLD OF BEN FRANKLIN



Ben Franklin is famous for his kite flying electricity experiments, but his enjoyment of kite flying dates back to when he was a child, when he even made his own kite! Building a kite is very simple. All you need is:

- 4 double-page newspaper sheets
- Tape
- Scissors
- String
- Ribbon or string (for tail)
- Crayons, glue, paint etc. for decorating (optional)

1) Take two double pages of a tabloid-size newspaper then tape them together as shown in figure no.1



2) Then measure in 70 inches from each corner as shown in figure no.2. Join the lines up. Cut along that line to make the outside shape of the kite

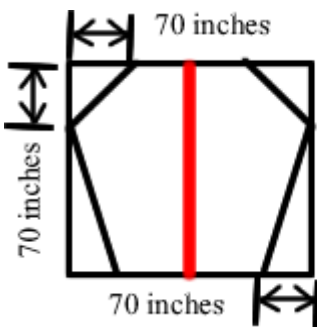


Figure 2

3) Next tape all around the edge and across the kite to make it strong, as shown in figure no. 3



Figure 3

4) Take two more double pages and roll into very tight tubes as shown in drawing 4. The tubes are the sticks for the kite, so roll them as tightly as you can.

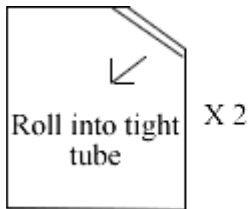


Figure 4

5) Tape the tubes to the kite as shown in figure no. 5

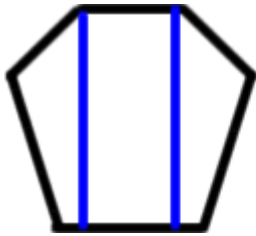


Figure 5

6) Take 5 ft. of string and attach it to the points shown in figure no. 6

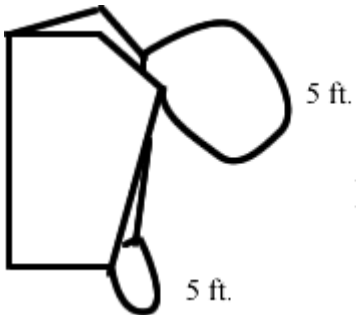


Figure 6

7) Take another 5 ft. of string and attach to the bottom corners of the kite as shown in figure no.6

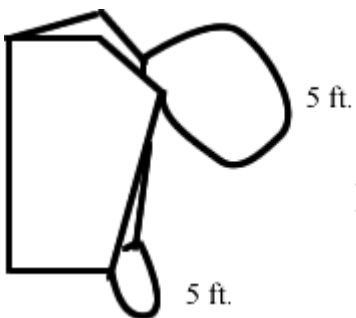
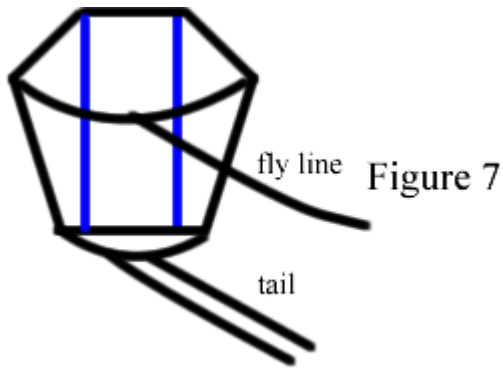


Figure 6

8) Just add a tail to the loop at the bottom and the kite is ready! Before you take the kite out to fly, you may want to let children decorate it with stickers, markers, paints etc.



## SAFETY RULES:

Make the great outdoors the safe outdoors by following these safety tips:

- The best place to fly a kite is out in the open and **away from electrical lines**. If your kite becomes **trapped in a wire**, the current could travel down the string and **give you a shock**.
- **Wet or damp string** can conduct enough electricity to **kill**.
- If your kite does get tangled on a power line, **NEVER climb a pole or a tower or even a nearby tree to try to get it**.
- Always use wood or paper in your kite, **NEVER metal or wire**.
- Do not fly your kite near **busy streets and highways**.
- **Stay clear of electric substations**. If a kite or a baseball or model airplane--or any other possession--falls inside a substation fence, **do not go after it**.