

# VISUAL ARTS

## 4TH & 5TH GRADE ACTIVITIES

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**Introduction:** **Sculptures** have been made for thousands of years. **Sculptures are three-dimensional (3-D) objects.** This means they have length, width and depth, rather than being flat like drawings. **Sculptures** can be carved out of wood or stone, or cast (molded) from metal. **Sculptures** can also be shaped from lots of other materials. Even flat paper can create 3-D sculptures!

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**Materials :** A variety of **papers**, different thicknesses and colors are helpful. **Scissors, drawing supplies, tape.**

**Optional:** Recycled objects such as small boxes and tubes.

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### MENTOR ARTIST LAURIE SIMMONS

Laurie Simmons is one of the first American photographers to create elaborately staged narrative photographs set in dollhouses. She also worked with architect Peter Wheelwright to designed a futuristic dollhouse called "The Kaleidoscope House". She even hung a miniature of her own photograph in the house.



"I always come back to "woman in interior" and it's generally some kind of doll figure. Clearly, there is a need for a new dollhouse in the family playroom." - **Laurie Simmons**

# VOCABULARY

## SCULPTURE



A three-dimensional artwork made from clay, wood, stone, metal, or other found materials.

## BASE



The bottom part on which an object rests or is supported; delicate sculptures are often attached to a base to support them in position.

## SCULPTOR



A person who creates artworks by modeling, carving, constructing, or assembling materials together.

## FORM



An object you can see from many sides; it has three dimensions: length, width, and height.

## CONSTRUCTION

Building using separate pieces of material to make a whole object.

## ASSEMBLING

Joining together different parts to create a sculpture.

# CREATING A 3-D ROOM SCULPTURE

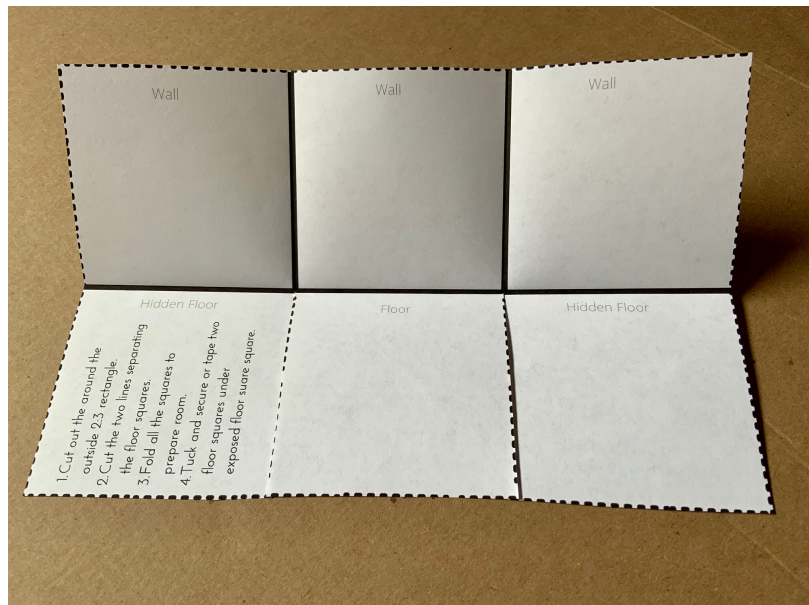
## STEP 1

Look around your living space for room ideas to inspire your project.



## STEP 2

Cut out and fold the three-dimensional room template provided.



1. Cut out the around the outside 2,3 rectangle.
2. Cut the two lines separating the floor squares.
3. Fold all the squares to prepare room.
4. Tuck and secure or tape two floor squares under exposed floor square.

## STEP 3

Design the flat surfaces of your room's walls and floors. Use color, texture, collage, paint, carpet, etc. to decorate your room. Think of this step as a first layer.



## STEP 4

First, assemble the room as directed folding the extra floor squares under the exposed floor square and securing with tape. Next, build small objects and furniture to fill your room following the same steps of folding, cutting and securing.

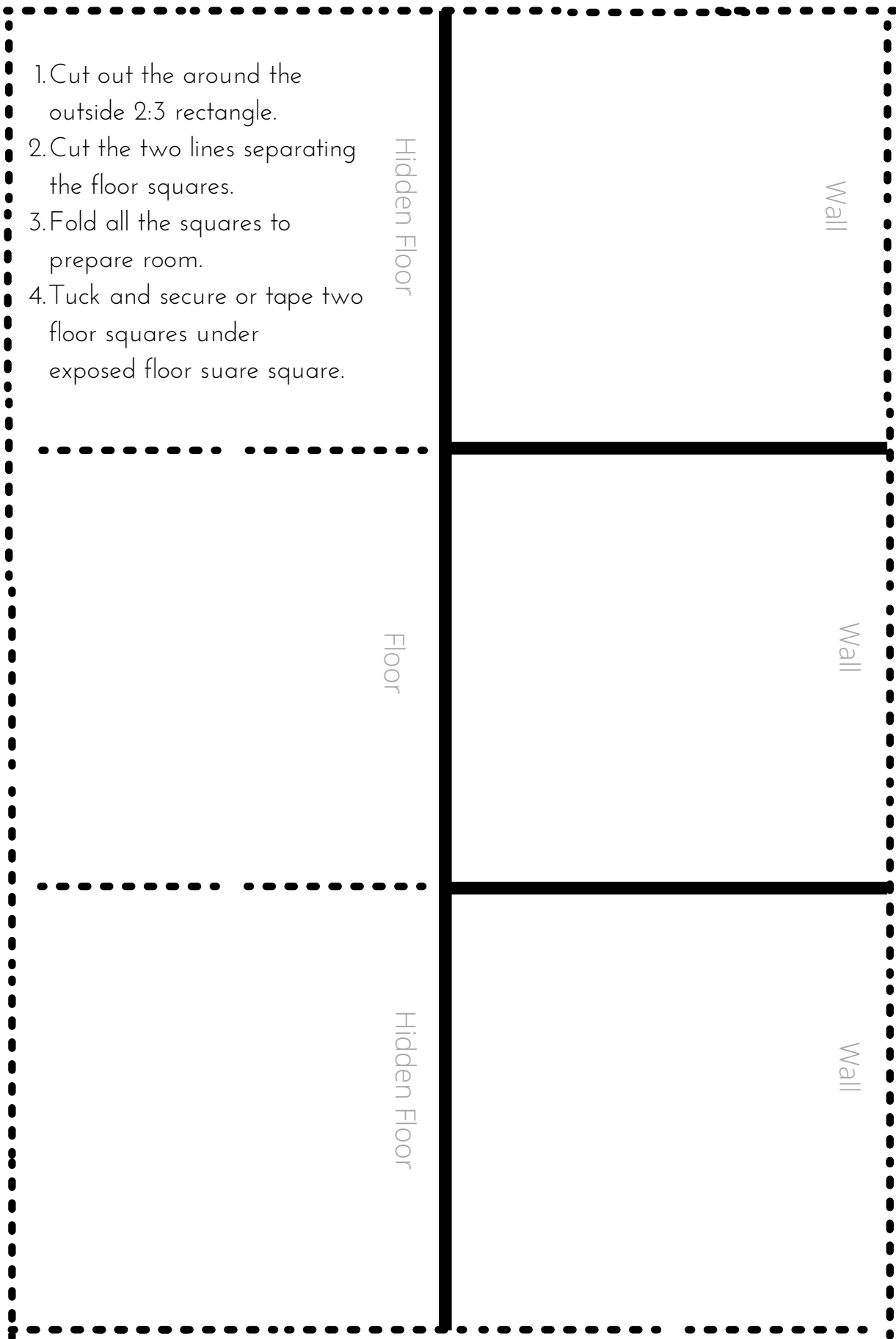


# 3 WALLED ROOM TEMPLATE

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Cut Lines  
Fold Lines

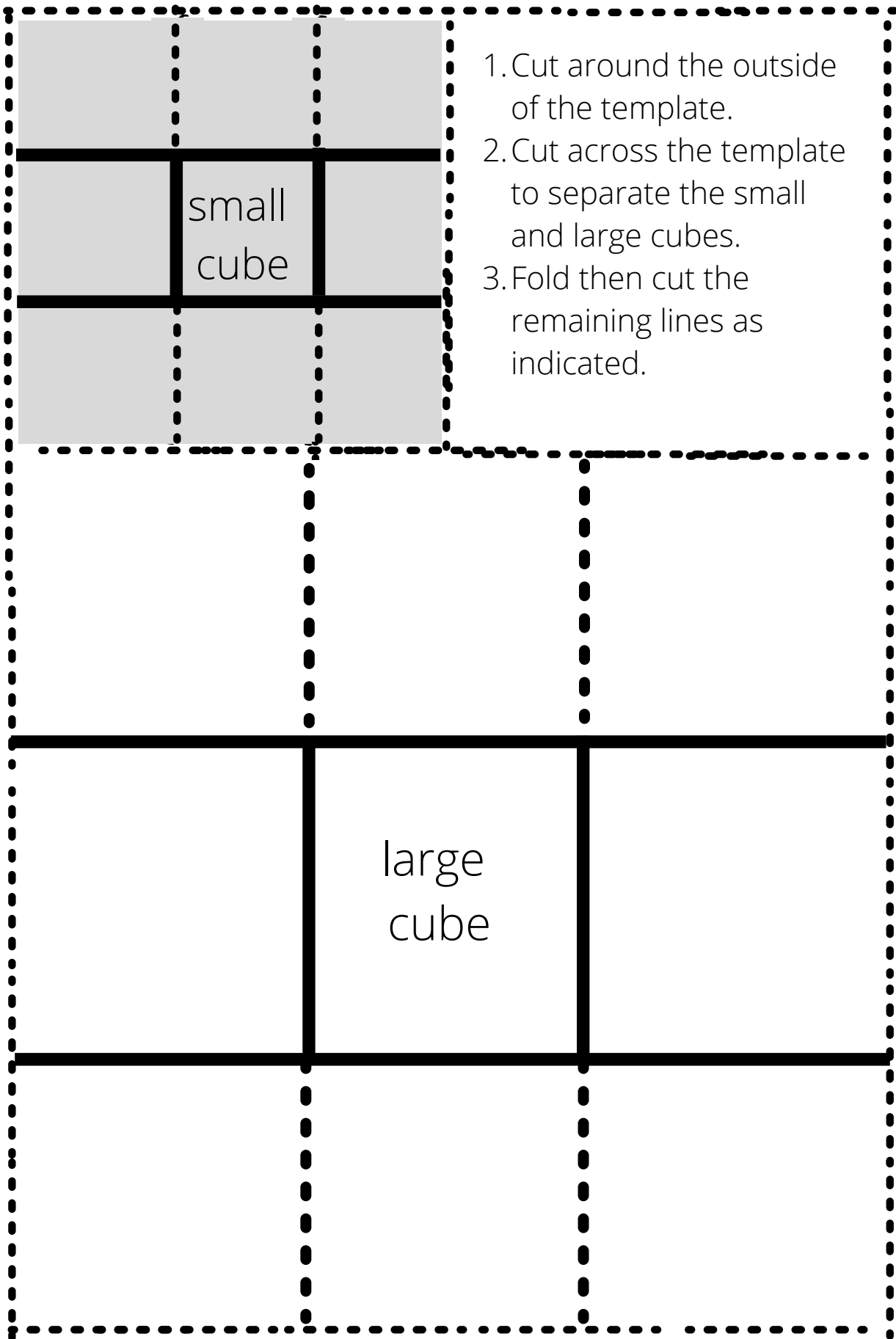


# CUBE TEMPLATES FOR FURNITURE SCULPTURES



Cut Lines

Fold Lines



1. Cut around the outside of the template.
2. Cut across the template to separate the small and large cubes.
3. Fold then cut the remaining lines as indicated.

# 3-D SCULPTURE ROOM EXAMPLES

