

# Really Good™ Activity Guide

## Blank Glasses Kit

Congratulations on your purchase of the Really Good Stuff® Blank Glasses!

Our Really Good Stuff® Blank Glasses are ready for you to decorate as you wish. Students can adorn glasses with glued-on art supplies or with drawn-on designs. Our glasses are fun to make—even more fun to wear! Glasses can be designed to address many classroom themes and fun-filled purposes, such as:

- Back-to-School
- All About Me (Self-esteem)
- Birthdays
- Multicultural Awareness
- 100th Day of School
- Community Helpers
- Class Presentations

Read on to discover some exciting suggestions for how you and your students can design these Blank Glasses for use in your classroom.

Included in this Really Good Stuff® kit you'll find:

- 32 Blank Glasses
- This Really Good™ Activity Guide.

### Activities

#### Teaching Tips:

- Before trying any of the activities below, trace the glasses shape onto paper and make copies of the tracings. Offer these "scrap glasses" to children so they can plan and practice their designs before adding designs to actual Blank Glasses. Also, show children how to bend the arms of the glasses so they can fit over the ears when worn.

#### Back-to-School/All About Me

As a first day of school activity or as part of an "All About Me" unit, have children decorate a pair of Blank Glasses so they reflect their own personality. For example, children might comb through store flyers to find small pictures of items they like or want, clip these pictures out and fix them to the glasses. Children can also cut out letters spelling their names or print their names on the glasses so new classmates can identify each other by name. Small photos of each child can be added, too. Children can wear their completed glasses when playing "getting to know you" games or when reading autobiographical essays or poems aloud.



#### Birthdays

Offer the birthday child a pair of Blank Glasses plus a small self-sealing plastic bag full of art supplies (glitter glue tube, stickers a few markers, etc.). Allow the child to decorate the glasses for his or her birthday "class work." Glue on a large paper number, decorated with glitter and representing the birthday child's age to the center "nose bridge" or near the hinges. Tell the birthday child that these "Magic Birthday Glasses" allow for many privileges throughout the day (e.g. Birthday child can be line leader, can be first in line for activities, can enjoy a homework-free night, etc.).

#### Literature-based Character Masks

When appropriate, children can glue paper shapes and other art supplies onto Blank Glasses to create "masks" resembling book characters or characters in a play.

- Dog: Color the glasses. Glue on long black paper ears (to the mask or to the arms of the glasses, near ear curve,) and a paper snout to the nose of the glasses. You can also glue cotton, felt or fake fur to the front of the glasses.
- Cat: Same as dog—except glue on pointy cat ears (paper or fur covered).
- Fairy: Color the glasses pink. Glue large pink glitter paper stars to the outer corners of the glasses, near the hinges.

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- Wizard: Color the glasses royal blue. Glue large silver glitter paper stars to the outer corners of the glasses, near the hinges.
- Witch: Draw or glue on a green paper witch nose. Glue bushy black fun fur "frowny" eyebrows to face or to frame top.
- Bird: Cover glasses with glued-on yellow or blue craft feathers. Glue on an orange construction paper beak.
- Elephant: Color the glasses gray. Glue on large paper elephant ears (it's Okay if they flop) and a trunk.

### 100th Day of School

Supply each child with art supplies so they can add 100 decorations to the glasses. Children can mix or match decorations in groups of 5, 10, 20 or 25. Some ideas include:

- glued-on sequins
- colored glue dots—10 dots in 10 different colors
- pinkie prints (use washable stamp pad)
- marker dots—10 dots in 10 different colors
- paper shapes (paper triangles, squares, circles, ovals, stars, etc.)
- crayon color dots—using 100 different-colored crayons
- 100 tiny stickers

(*Tip:* Children can overlap decorations collage-style if necessary, to fit 100 designs or items on the glasses.)

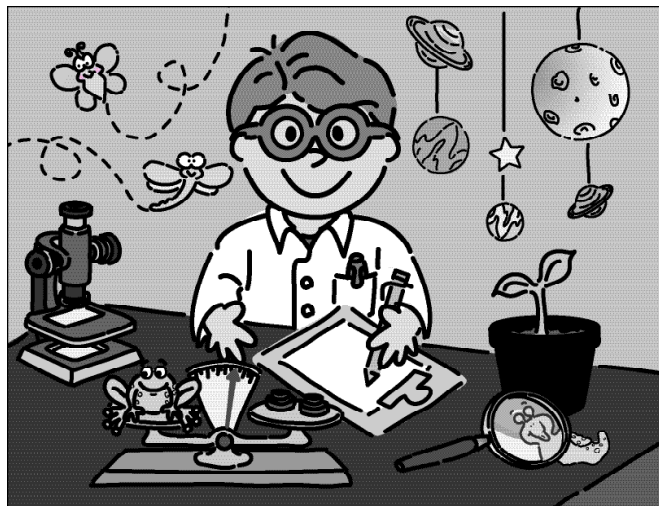
### Rose Colored Glasses

Help children tape or glue small pieces of cellophane into the openings of the glasses. They can then change their world-view to celebrate a particular color, or just for the fun of it. Experiment by placing a different color cellophane piece into each eyepiece.

### By The See

The Blank Glasses make a perfect end-of-school /get-ready-for-summer craft activity. Help children tape or glue small pieces of yellow, blue or green cellophane into the openings of the glasses. Then offer them rhinestones, press-on jewel stickers, summer theme stickers, aquatic animal stickers, etc. or make two suns or sunflowers... and let their imaginations shine!

(Important: Remind children that while these glasses do not offer real protection from harmful sunrays. They may be worn over real sunglasses as a fun accessory.)



### Science Specs

Have children use science-theme stickers (bugs, insects, reptiles, sun, moon stars, etc.), to decorate their glasses. Have children wear their glasses when you plan to experiment indoors or explore outdoors on nature walks and field trips. Tell children that when they wear their "science eyes" the glasses help increase their ability to "stay focused" as they observe and notice little scientific details and changes.

### Play Eye Spy

With decorated glasses in place, have children play an Eye Spy game that is fun and will increase their observational and visual memory skills. Ask children to close their eyes (no peeking!) and answer questions about details regarding their surroundings. Have children then open their eyes and look through their glasses to see if they answered correctly.

#### *Sample questions:*

- What color is my dress?
- How many doors are in our classroom?
- How many windows are in our classroom?
- What does the sign on our door say?
- Do I have a clip in my hair?

### Poetry Play Peepers

Have children decorate glasses to wear during poetry readings, choral readings, reader's theater presentations or school concerts.