

# The Mixed-Up Chameleon



Question: What color is a chameleon?

Answer: All different colors. A chameleon can change its color to blend in with its background!

Listen to this story and see what happens when a certain chameleon wishes it were something else: [The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle](#)

Now let's make our own color-changing chameleon!

You will need:

- ★ Paper plates
- ★ Paint, markers, or crayons
- ★ Scissors
- ★ A brad fastener (I used one I cut off an envelope!)



Take one plate and paint or color it in any colors you want  
- the crazier the better!



Take a white plate and draw a chameleon shape. Cut out the shape.

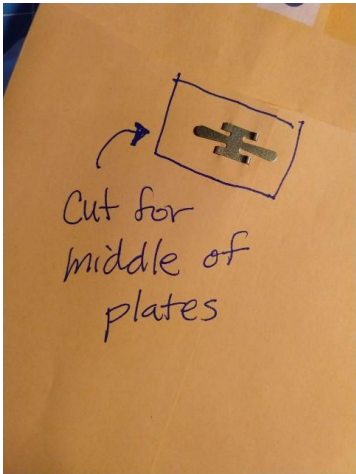


Turn over your colorful plate and find the middle: you can use a ruler or fold another plate in quarters and use the tip as a guide.





Poke a hole in the center of both plates, then insert the brad through the middle to attach your two plates.



Rotate the top plate and watch your chameleon change color!



Try cutting out different shapes, too!



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