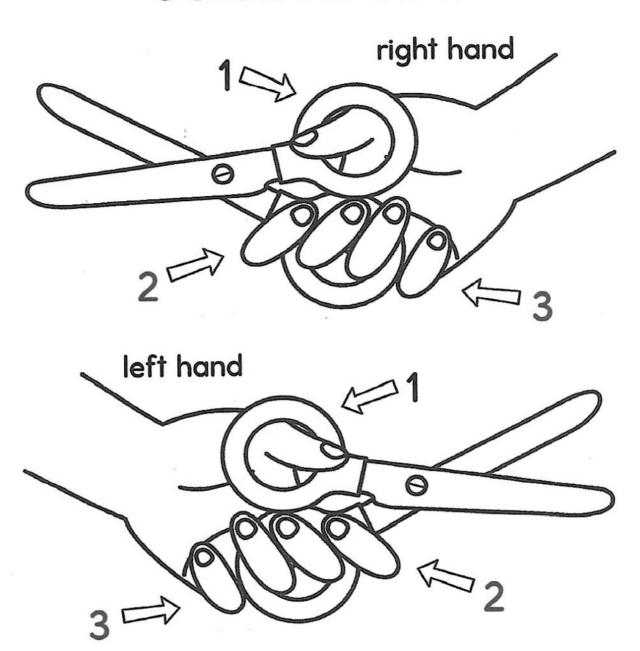
SCISSOR GRIP



- 1) Thumb through the small top hole
- 2) Index finger holding the bottom of scissors
- 3) Last three fingers through the big bottom hole

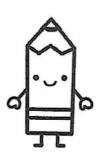
Always point scissors AWAY from body and use your "helper hand" to hold and move the paper.

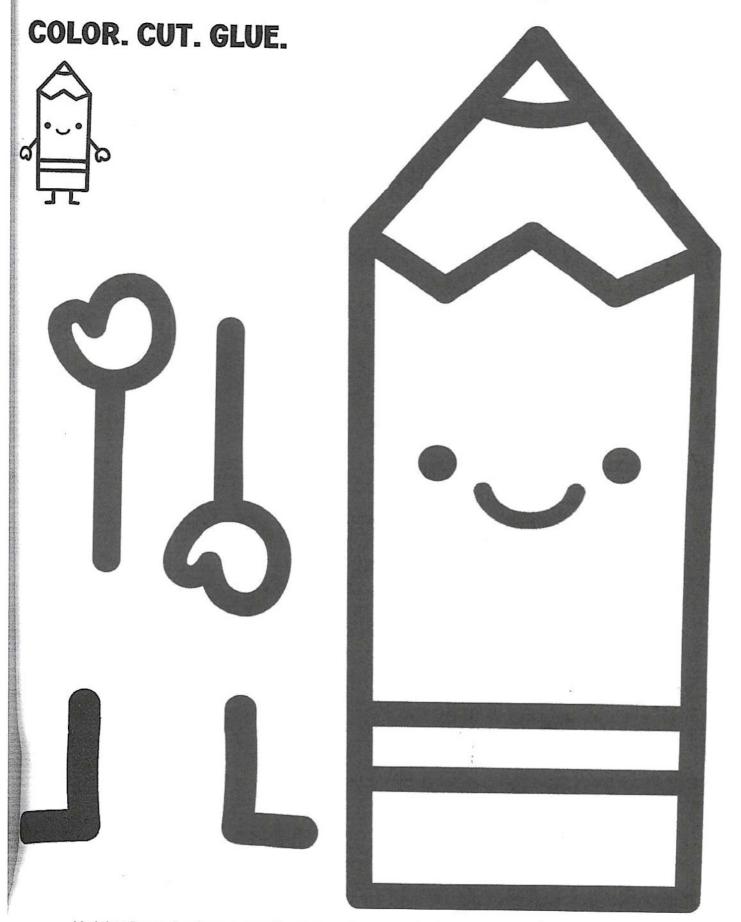
CUTTING

GOAL: To cut paper for crafts and activities.

Learning to hold scissors and cut paper is an important fine motor skill and develops bilateral coordination, which is the use of both sides of the body while each hand performs different tasks. It is important that students learn to use both hands at the same time. When cutting, one hand opens and closes the scissors while the other hand holds and moves the paper. The next page will help you reinforce proper scissor grip. Use the following pages to practice cutting skills (you will need scissors and glue). To make cutting fun, try cutting plastic straws into pieces (and use the pieces as math counters to practice counting)!

TIP: Remind your student to use their "helper hand" to hold and move their paper when cutting.





Hold scissors facing away from your body with thumb up and pinky down.
Use your helper hand to hold the paper.