



## ABOUT ME PUZZLES

Share something about yourself through several styles of puzzles. Puzzles improve your spelling, vocabulary, and memory – and they're fun.

**This week's activities: Crossword Puzzle – Jigsaw Puzzle**

## Crossword Puzzle

### Suggested Materials:

- Lined paper or graph paper
- Pen, pencil or marker
- Ruler

### Directions:

1. Make a list of clues for words you want to include in your crossword puzzle. Here are some ideas for clues:

My favourite colour is \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ . (green)

My favourite season is \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ . (spring)

The dashes tell the puzzler how many letters are in the answer.

2. When you have your list of clues and words, lay out the answers to your clues in a grid on the paper. Words can go across or down (this is how you'll organize your clues when your words are in place). Words should cross each other – they can share a letter in the middle of the word, at the beginning or end.

				<sup>1</sup> G	
				R	
				E	
				E	
<sup>2</sup> S	P	R	I	N	G

3. When all your words are laid out, colour in black the squares without letters.
4. Number the starting square for each word. Begin with the word closest to the upper left corner of your puzzle. Under your word puzzle, list your clues for each word:

Down

1. My favourite colour is \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .

Across

2. My favourite season is \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ .

5. Now you can make a copy of your puzzle leaving the letter spaces blank. Give your puzzle to someone you live with to see if they can solve your puzzle!

# Jigsaw Puzzle

## Suggested Materials:

- Cardboard
- Colour printer (optional)
- Glue (or tape)
- Colouring materials (crayons, pencils etc.)
- Scissors

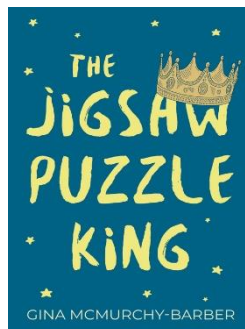
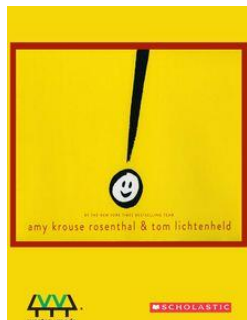
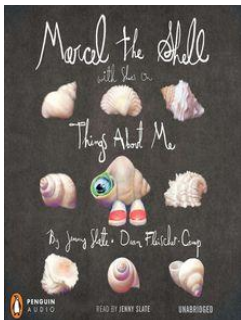


## Directions:

1. Print a favourite photo or draw a picture that tells people about you. It could be a picture of yourself, a picture of your favourite place, or your pet – or anything.
2. Paste your picture to a piece of cardboard.
3. Place the jigsaw template below over the picture and cut out the pieces. You will be left with jigsaw pieces of the picture or photo you used. Now you have a personal jigsaw puzzle to piece together again.

## Links to eResources:

Check out our [eBooks](#) on these topics:



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Search “puzzles” on Hoopla Kids to find eBooks for every puzzle theme and type of puzzle.

Watch *The Dot* on KanopyKids. Vashti thinks she can’t draw, but her journey of self-discovery and expression is an enchanting invitation to everyone to explore his or her own creative spirit.

You can get a library card [at hpl.ca/online-registration](http://hpl.ca/online-registration).

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