

I Need to Sit Down!



We read A Chair For My Mother by Vera B. Williams. Rosa's mother is tired when she comes home from work and she needs to sit down and rest.

Challenge: Working with a partner and using only gumdrops and toothpicks, design and build a "person" who can independently sit on the edge of your desk without falling off.

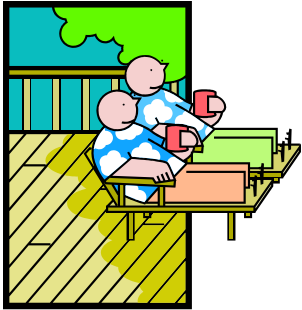
Criteria:

Your "person" must

- *be made only using gumdrops and toothpicks.
- *sit independently on the edge of your desk.
- *not fall off of your desk.

You

- *must work with a partner to design and build your "person."
- *have 30 minutes to create your "person."



Materials:

- *gumdrops
- *toothpicks

Tools:

- *none



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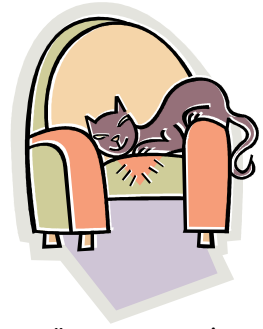
SOL: Challenge--

Oral Language 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 • Civics 1.10

SOL: Story--

Economics 1.8, 1.9 • Civics 1.10, 1.12 • Reading 1.9f, 1.9h

Ahhh...A Comfy Place to Sit



We read A Chair For My Mother by Vera B. Williams and you made a "person" who can sit on the edge of your desk without falling off.

Challenge: Working with your partner, design and build a chair where your "person" can independently sit and rest comfortably without falling.



Criteria:

You chair must

- *be freestanding.
- *support itself.
- *be able to hold your "person" without collapsing, breaking, or falling apart.
- *Your "person" must be able to sit in your chair without falling out.
- *You have 45 minutes to design and create your chair.

Materials:

- *scotch tape
- *glue
- *masking tape

- *craft sticks
- *construction paper
- *poster board
- *anything else that you teacher puts out for you



Tools:

- *scissors *crazy scissors
- *rulers *pencils
- *crayons and markers

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