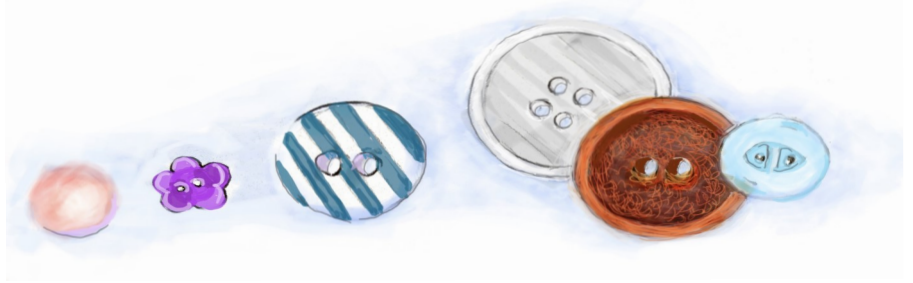
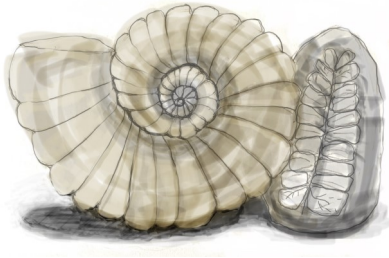


## Make your own collection

A museum collection can include all sorts of things. They might be about inventions or gardens or toys, history, or shoes, a colour , a place – anything!



Collections can include things that will last, like a fossil or things that will fade, like a daisy chain. They can be serious, or funny. Often collections will have a theme and often they tell a story.



## Make your own exhibition

Do you have a collection or a story to tell?

You could make your own museum in a box or display your objects on a table or other suitable place.

Choose your theme and see if you can link the objects together in an interesting way.

Perhaps you have always collected things just because it is fun.

Think about how you could display them in your own museum and think about what you might like to say about the objects to tell their story. Remember to give your exhibition a name.

## How to Make your own exhibition

It is a good idea to display the objects in a way that shows them at their best, perhaps raised on a stand or maybe you could make a drawing of the object instead, or take a photograph.

Perhaps you could write something about each object too so that their story is told.

The theme of this exhibition is **Making** and each object is a very precious thing.



This exhibition in a shoebox includes: a wheelbarrow, a Blue Peter make, some school projects, Spot the Dog and friends and painted pebbles.

Here is an exhibition about **Measuring at Home**. I collected all the things I could find that fitted my theme. I could have included other things as well, such as toy bricks for example.



Measuring At Home

### **Activities to go with this exhibition:**

How many toy bricks high is a teddy? Or how many hands High is a chair?

Have a look at all the objects. See if you can work out which ones measure time.

What do you think is the oldest object? Can you say why you think this?

## **The steps again:**

Collect some things that interest you. **This is your Collection**

Once you have collected a group of objects think about where you could display them—find a table or a windowsill, or use a cardboard box or another suitable place. **This is your Museum.**

When you have found your place think about how you will display your objects so that they are shown at their best and can show an interesting theme or story. **This is your Exhibition**

When your exhibition is ready think about how your friends or family or visitors could enjoy it more. Perhaps you could ask them questions or do drawings about it. **These are your Activities**

**Most importantly have fun, It is your collection and your exhibition.**