A-Mazing

Mazes are a fun way for children to build their fine-motor muscles and their brains! To get your child ready to navigate the twists and turns of the mazes that follow, use the warm-up activities on pages 4 and 5. After that, choose any or all of the 58 mazes this book has to offer.

For more a-mazing action, consider making your own mazes at home.

Two Ways to Make Mazes at Home

➤ Use an Online Maze Generator

There are many free maze generators available online. Some research may be necessary to find the best one for your needs. Begin by typing "free maze generator for kids" into the online search engine of your choice. Once you have located an online generator that you feel good about, involve your child in the process of creating the maze.

➤ Use Materials to Engineer a 3-D Maze

How do you take the natural problem-solving and visual-motor skills involved in mazes and add several dashes of the design and engineering skills that really appeal to today's students? You create a three-dimensional maze!

Creating a 3-D Maze

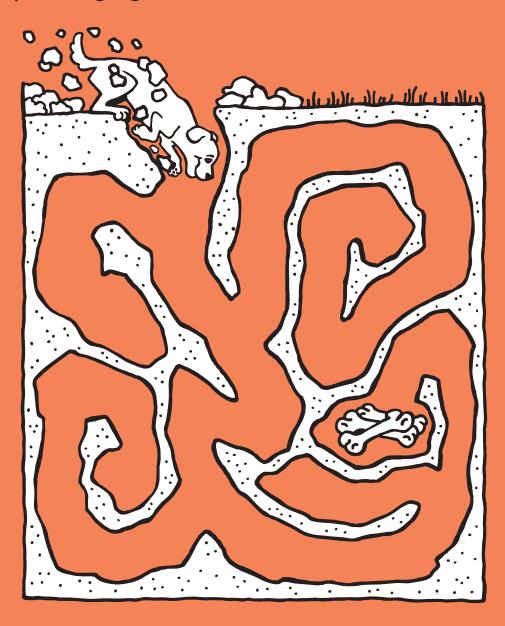
- Start with a surface.
 - The surface you use can be as flat as a paper plate or as deep as a cardboard box. A flipped-over box top works well, too.
- Choose materials to create the "walls" of the maze.

 For mazes made on flatter surfaces, choose items such as straws, pipe cleaners, and various pasta shapes. For deeper surfaces, build walls out of pieces of cardboard or other sturdy materials.
- Decide what will be used to solve the maze.

 Increase the fun by using small toys, action figures, or marbles to navigate through the maze.

Buried Bones

Help this dog dig down to the buried bones.





This fish can't wait to explore the new castle in his tank. Show him the way to the castle.



Bug to Bug

Lead the ladybug to its friend, the worm.

