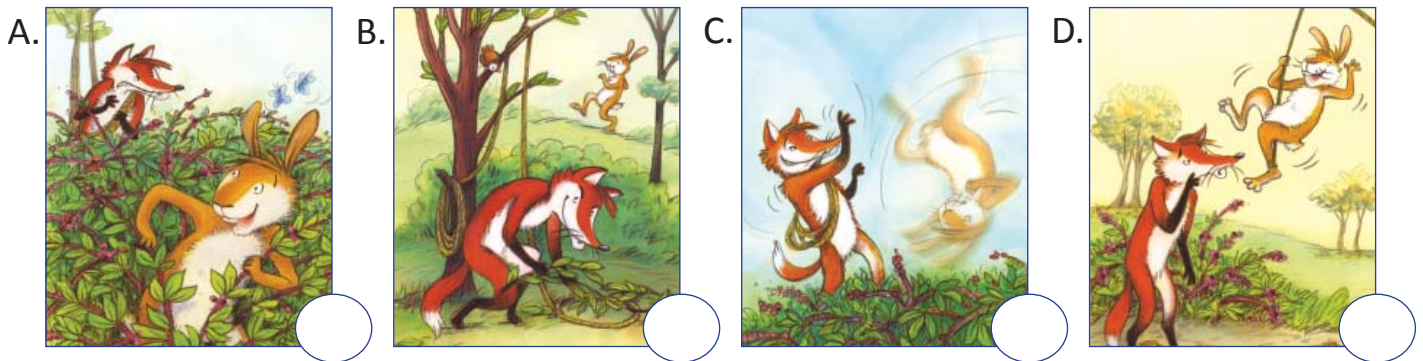


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1. Number the pictures in the right order.



2. Circle the two words in each sentence that have changed places.

- A. Trap! went the twang.
- B. "Now I'm going to up you all eat."
- C. Then he through him threw the air.
- D. "I was bush in the blackberry born."

3. Answer Yes or No to these questions.

- A. Did Brer Fox want to eat Brer Rabbit?
- B. Did Brer Rabbit want Brer Fox to fry him or boil him?
- C. Did Brer Rabbit want Brer Fox to throw him into the blackberry bush?
- D. Was Brer Rabbit being silly?

4. Which three things aren't in the picture? Cross them off the list.

Brer Rabbit
Brer Snake
Brer Fox
tree
blackberry bush
trap
birds
pie



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Activity: Make a blackberry tart.

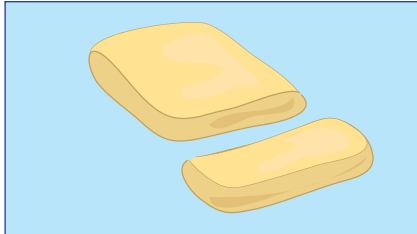
To make a large jam tart, you will need:

350g (12oz) packet of shortcrust pastry
plain flour, for dusting

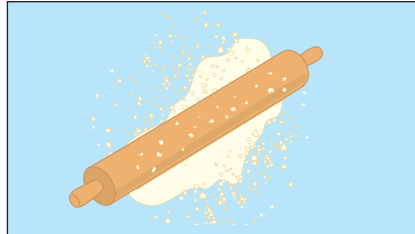
6 rounded tablespoons of seedless blackberry jam
1 tablespoon of milk
a 20cm (8in) pie dish
a small pastry cutter (any shape you like)

If you can't get blackberry jam, you could use a different kind (berry jams are best).

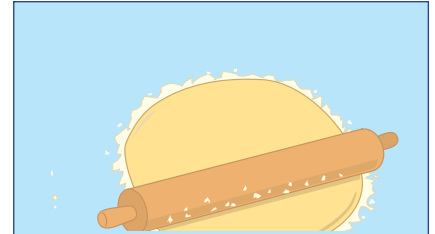
Heat your oven to 200°C, 400°F, gas mark 6, before you start.



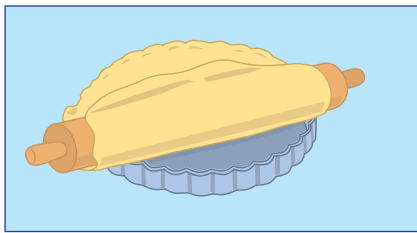
1. Take the pastry out of the fridge. Leave it for 10 minutes, then cut off one quarter and wrap it in plastic foodwrap.



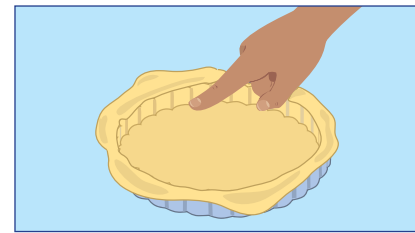
2. Sprinkle a little flour onto a clean surface and a rolling pin. This will help to stop the pastry sticking to them.



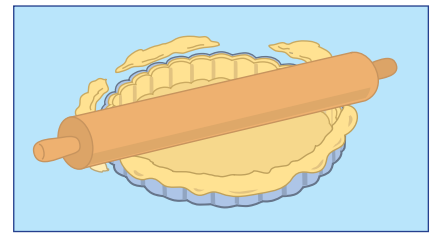
3. Roll out the bigger piece of pastry, then turn it a little. Roll it out and turn it, until you make a 30cm (12in) circle.



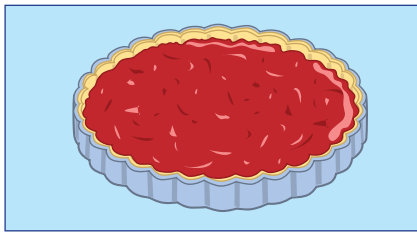
4. Lay the rolling pin on one side of the pastry. Roll the pastry over it. Lift it onto the dish, then unroll the pastry.



5. Dip a finger into some flour. Gently press the pastry into the edges of the dish, making sure that you don't rip it.



6. Lay the rolling pin on top of the dish and slowly roll it back and forward. It will cut off the pastry that overlaps the edges.



7. Spoon the jam into the pastry case, then spread it with the back of the spoon. Roll out the other piece of pastry.



8. Using the cutter, cut out about 12 pastry shapes. Brush them with a little milk, then lay them on top of the jam.



9. Bake the jam tart for about 20 minutes, then carefully lift it out of the oven. Let the jam cool before you eat it.

Watch out for hungry foxes!

You could serve your tart with pouring cream, whipped cream or ice cream.



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Activity: Make these animal masks. You could use them to act out the story.

You will need: light brown or grey card (for the rabbit)

Orange or red-brown card (for the fox)

White, pink and black paper; scissors, glue, elastic and a black marker pen



For the rabbit mask:

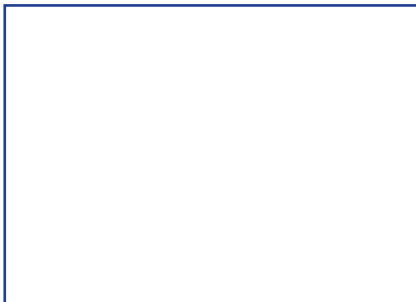
Draw this shape onto light brown or grey card. Make it about as wide as your head. Cut it out.



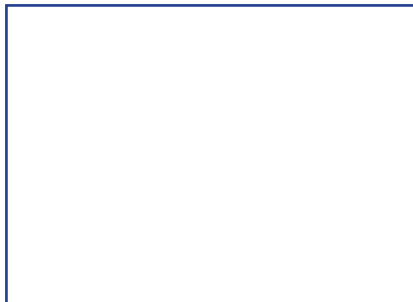
Use the leftover card to cut out two more ear shapes. Glue them onto the back of the mask, to stiffen the ears.



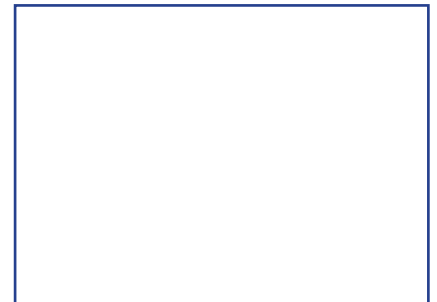
Cut two long ovals and a small triangle out of pink paper. Stick them on the mask for the rabbit's ears and nose.



Draw a line from the rabbit's nose to the bottom of the mask. Carefully cut out the eye holes.



Cut long, thin triangles of black paper and stick a few either side of the nose for the rabbit's whiskers.



Pierce two small holes on each side of the mask. Thread and tie a piece of elastic so that you can wear it.



This is the template for the fox mask. Draw it onto orange or red-brown card, about as wide as your head, and cut it out.



Carefully cut out the eye holes. Draw around them and continue the line down to the nose with marker pen.



Stick two white triangles inside the ears and a black triangle on the nose. Attach elastic as for the rabbit mask.