Maiasaura Nest Thaumatrope

A thaumatrope is a device that creates the illusion of two pictures becoming one. See this special effect in action in this craft. You will make a thaumatrope with a mother Maiasaura on one side, and her nest on the other side. Help her find her nest by giving the thaumatrope a spin!

Materials
Printed template (page 2)
Crayons, colored pencils, or markers
Scissors
Chopstick, straw, or other round stick
Tape

Directions

1. **Print** out the Maiasaura and nest templates on page 2.
2. **Color** the pictures inside the circles on page 2.
3. **Cut out** the two circles.
4. **Tape** the back of one circle to the end of the chopstick. Make sure that the picture is right-side-up when you hold the chopstick up.
5. **Tape** the other circle back-to-back with the first, making sure that the two circles line up.
6. **Hold** the chopstick between two hands, as shown. **Twirl** the straw by moving your hands back and forth against each other. **Watch** the two pictures as the circles spin.