



# Narwhal Hat

Narwhals, sometimes called the “unicorns of the sea,” are adapted to live in the cold waters of the Arctic Ocean, thanks to their thick layer of fat called blubber. Most male narwhals and some females have a spiral tusk, which is an elongated canine tooth 4-10 feet long, emerging from the front of their face! How do you think narwhals use their tusks? They’ve been observed “tusking,” or crossing their tusks with one another, and even using their tusks to tap and stun their prey!

## Materials

Scissors

Tape or glue

Print-out templates (page 3)

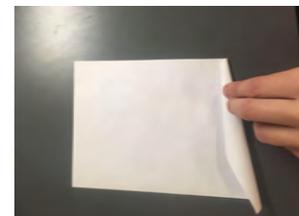
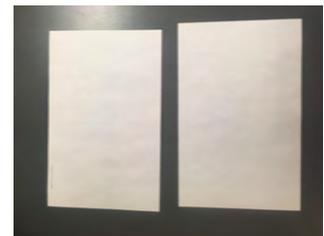
Blue construction paper (or white paper, colored blue)

Colored pencils, crayons, or markers

Googly eyes (optional)

## Directions

1. **Print** the templates on page 3 (thick paper is preferable).
2. **Cut** out the templates.
  - a. *Optional:* If you are printing on printer paper, **trace** the templates onto thicker paper, and **cut** out.
3. **Make** the narwhal’s tusk.
  - a. **Cut** a white piece of paper in half “hamburger style” or “portrait.”
  - b. Starting from one corner, **roll** one half into a cone shape (*see photos*).



c. **Tape** or **glue** the cone so it doesn't unravel.

d. **Cut** the bottom of the cone so it is flat.



e. **Draw** a spiral around the cone with a gray or black pencil, crayon, or marker.

f. **Tape** the tusk to the semicircle narwhal head.

4. **Decorate** your narwhal using colored pencils, crayons, markers, and googly eyes (optional). Narwhal skin is usually mottled gray, black, and white.

5. **Cut** one or two strips of blue paper and **tape** into a head band that fits around your head.

6. **Glue** or **tape** the narwhal head and tail to the head band on opposite sides.

7. **Wear** your hat! Imagine what it would be like to swim through the cold Arctic Ocean.

