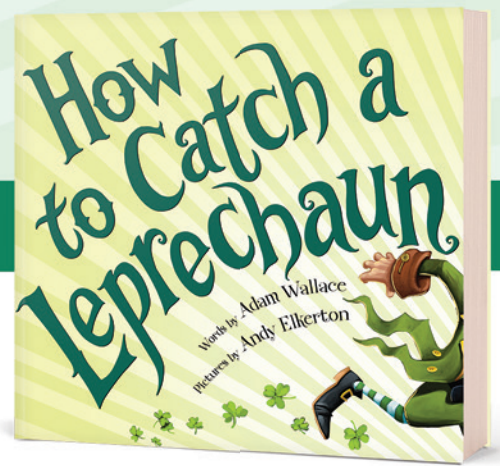


How to Catch a Leprechaun

EVENT KIT



Throw a party. Catch a leprechaun!

This St. Patrick's Day, throw your very own *How to Catch a Leprechaun* party with a special reading of the book, St. Patrick's Day activities, delicious treats, and instructions on how to set up a leprechaun trap!

DECORATE

Have some pre-party fun by making your own St. Paddy's Day decorations! Enclosed in this kit is a template for shamrock garland and a special event sign, but here are some additional ideas for festive decorations.

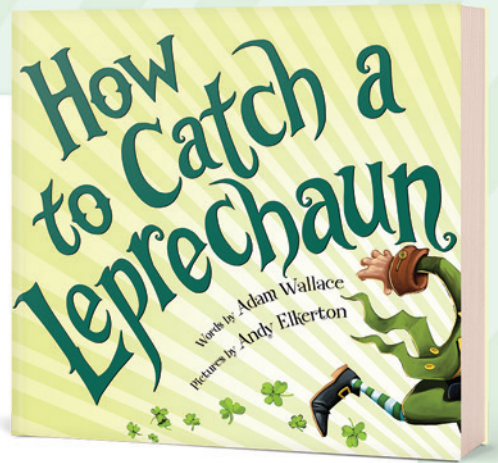
- **Shamrock wreath:** Take a paper plate and cut a hole in its center. Then, cut out individual shamrocks (feel free to use the template found on page 6) and glue them around the ring.
- **Leprechaun belt cups:** Buy green disposable cups. Cut a piece of black ribbon, wrap it around the center of the cup, and either glue or tape down. Cut a square of gold paper to use as the belt buckle, and glue or tape on top of the ribbon.

FOOD & DRINK

- **Leprechaun lemonade:** Buy lemonade or make your own and add a few drops of green food coloring to each glass. Stir and enjoy!
- **Lucky chocolate-covered Oreos:** Dip half of a mint Oreo (or other sandwich cookie) into melted vanilla almond bark. Cover the chocolate with green sprinkles and set on wax paper to harden.
- **Rainbow in a bag:** Create a rainbow in a bag for each guest! Fill a cellophane bag with layers of skittles separated by color. For the treasure at the end, include a few gold-wrapped Rolos!
- **Leprechaun bait:** Fill small bags with Lucky Charms for your guests and attach a label on top that says "Leprechaun Bait"! They can either use it in their trap or enjoy the sweet treat for themselves.



Catch Your Very Own Leprechaun



Join us for a special *How to Catch a Leprechaun* story time party and build your own leprechaun trap!

DATE

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TIME

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PLACE

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For more information:

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Professional Leprechaun Catcher



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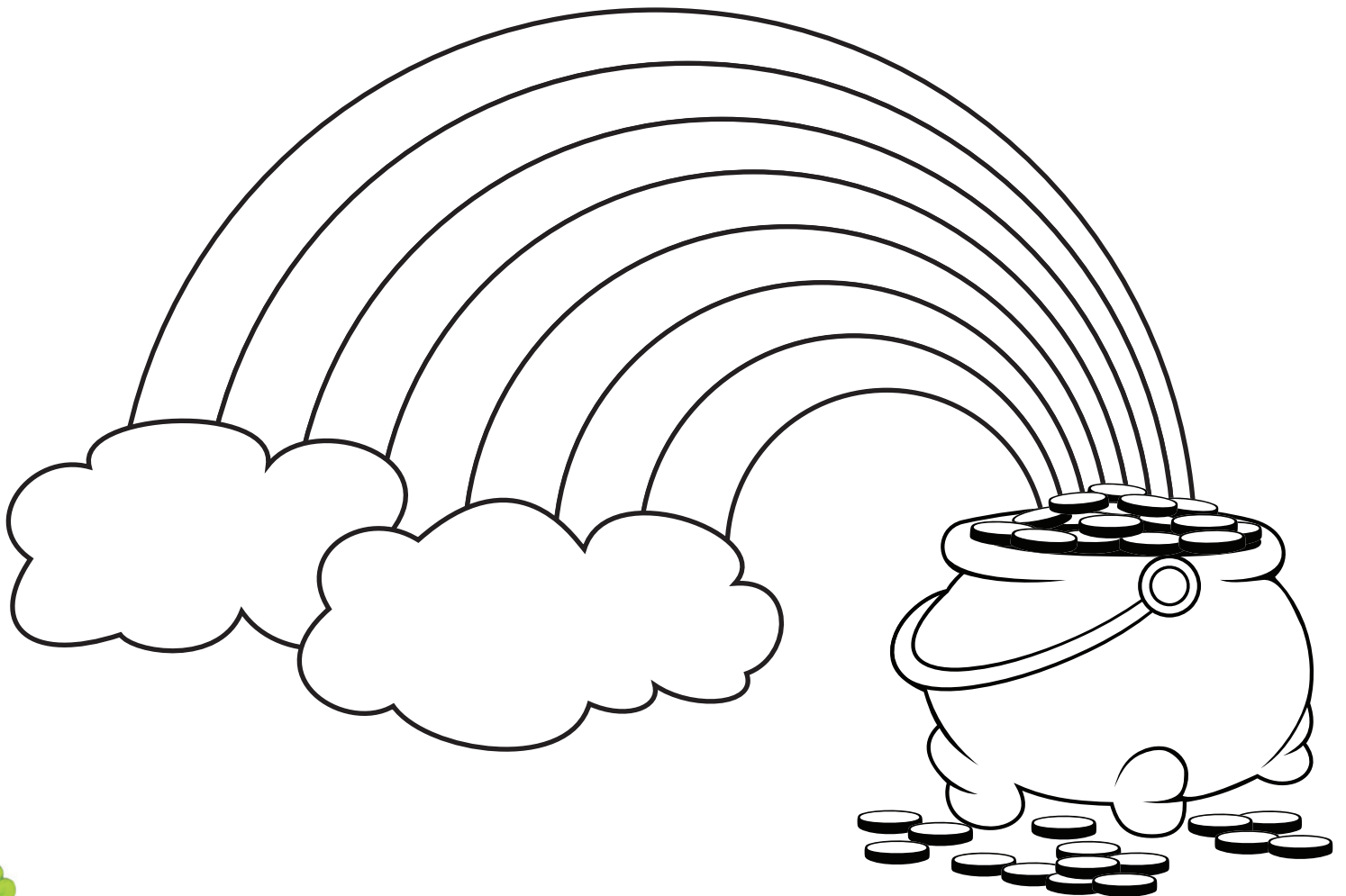
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Color in the sign below to use in your leprechaun trap!

FREE GOLD!



How to catch a leprechaun?

It's tougher than you think! He'll turn your whole house upside down. He's quicker than a wink!

But not to worry! We've got some foolproof ideas for catching your very own leprechaun.

RAINBOW TRAP

MATERIALS:

- Colored popsicle craft sticks (at least 50; add more for taller box)
- Markers or paint (optional)
- Glue

Purchase colored popsicle craft sticks. (Or color your own with markers or paint!) Arrange eight popsicle sticks vertically in rainbow order. Then glue two horizontal sticks to the top and bottom of the eight to make the box's bottom. Build the walls log cabin-style from the bottom you created. Repeat steps 2-3 to make the box's lid. Once the parts are dry, it's time to set the trap! Use one more popsicle stick to prop up the lid, and fill the box with tempting leprechaun bait! Visit <http://club.chicacircle.com/set-your-rainbow-leprechaun-trap/> for further instructions and pictures.

HAT TRAP

MATERIALS:

- Plastic St. Patrick's Day hat
- Scissors
- St. Patrick's Day napkin
- Green pipe cleaners (at least 5)

Buy a plastic St. Patrick's Day hat (or better yet, make your own with an empty oatmeal container or coffee can and some paint!) and carefully cut a hole in the top of the hat. Place a St. Patrick's Day napkin over the hole, and then create a ladder leading to the top of the hat using green pipe cleaners. Scatter gold coins around the top of hat, so that when the leprechaun goes to collect them, he falls through the hidden hole! Visit <http://kidfriendlythingstodo.com/2012/03/a-leprechaun-trap-for-st-patricks-day-a-kid-friendly-thing-to-do/#sthash.ZsAAE4RS.qjtu> for further instructions and pictures.

SHOE BOX TRAP

MATERIALS:

- Bottom of a shoe box
- Green paint or green construction paper
- Glue
- Decorative materials—glitter, construction paper, etc.
- Stick
- String

Paint the bottom of an old shoe box green, or cover with green construction paper. Decorate with shamrocks, rainbows, and whatever else might entice a leprechaun! Tie a string around the bottom of a stick, and use that to prop the shoe box up. Put gold coins under the shoe box, and when you see a leprechaun, quickly pull the string!

Cut out the shamrock and use it as a stencil over different shades of green construction paper. Once all of your individual shamrocks are cut out, punch two small holes in each and carefully string them together!

