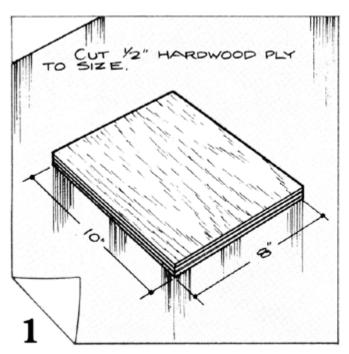


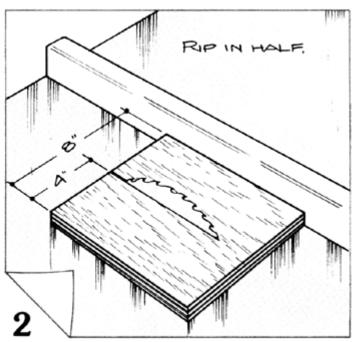
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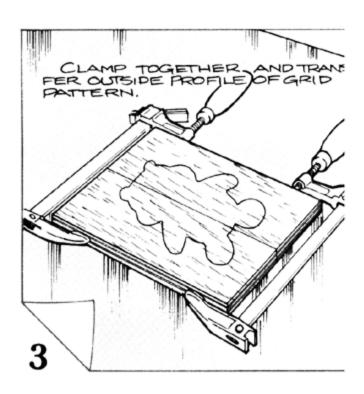
Children 1 to 3 years old will find this puzzle lots of fun. We used 1/2" walnut plywood for the top, 1/4" walnut plywood for the bottom, and solid walnut stock for the edging.

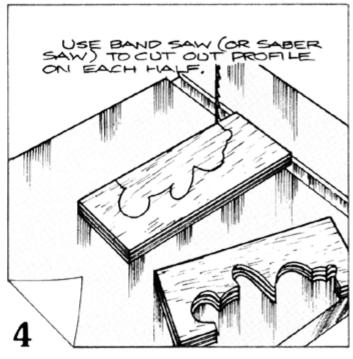
The bear was cut out from 1/2" clear pine.

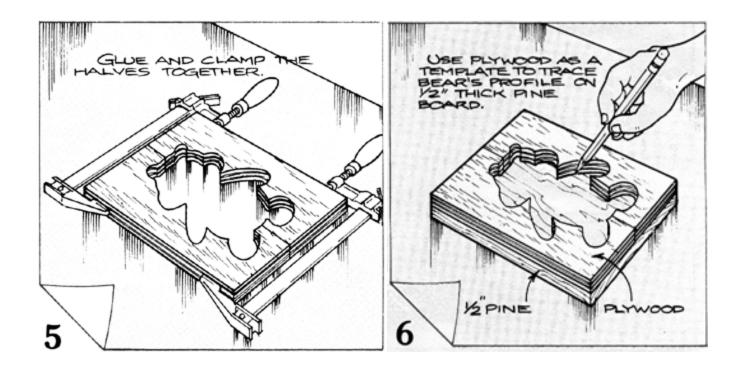
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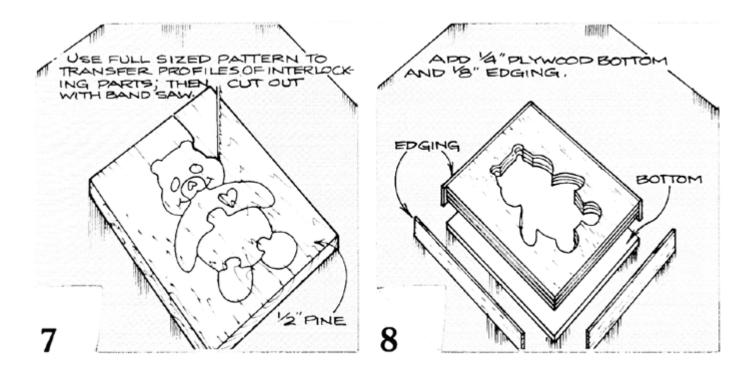


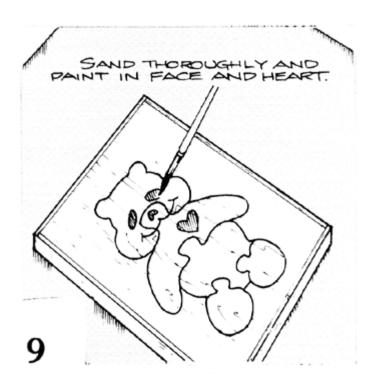












Teddy Bear Puzzle Step-by-Step Instructions

- 1. Place the side of the 1/2" plywood top that will be exposed face up on the table saw to keep splintering to a minimum, and cut the top to 8" x 10" long.
- 2. Rip the top lengthwise down the center.
- 3. Clamp the stock together temporarily while making sure the ends are flush.
- 4. Transfer the full-size pattern's outside profile, taking care to center it, to the stock.
- 5. Use the band saw with a 1/8" or 1/4" wide blade to cut out the profile on each half.
- 6. Apply a thin coat of glue to the mating surfaces.
- 7. Make sure the edges are flush and clamp together.
- 8. Use the plywood top as a template to trace the outside profile of the bear on a piece of 1/2" clear pine.
- 9. Use the full-sized pattern to add the various curves of each interlocking piece.
- 10. Use the band saw to cut the curves to shape.
- 11. Cut the 1/4" plywood bottom slightly oversized.
- 12. Glue and clamp the bottom to the underside of the top.
- 13. Allow the glue to dry.
- 14. Use the table saw to trim the 1/4" plywood so that it is flush with the edges of the top.

- 15. Rip the 1/8" thick edging a little wider than necessary (about 1").
- 16. Glue and clamp the edging.
- 17. Allow the glue to dry.
- 18. Sand the edging flush with the surface.
- 19. Sand all parts thoroughly.
- 20. Use a non-toxic, waterproof paint for the eyes, nose, mouth, and heart.
- 21. Leave unfinished.

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