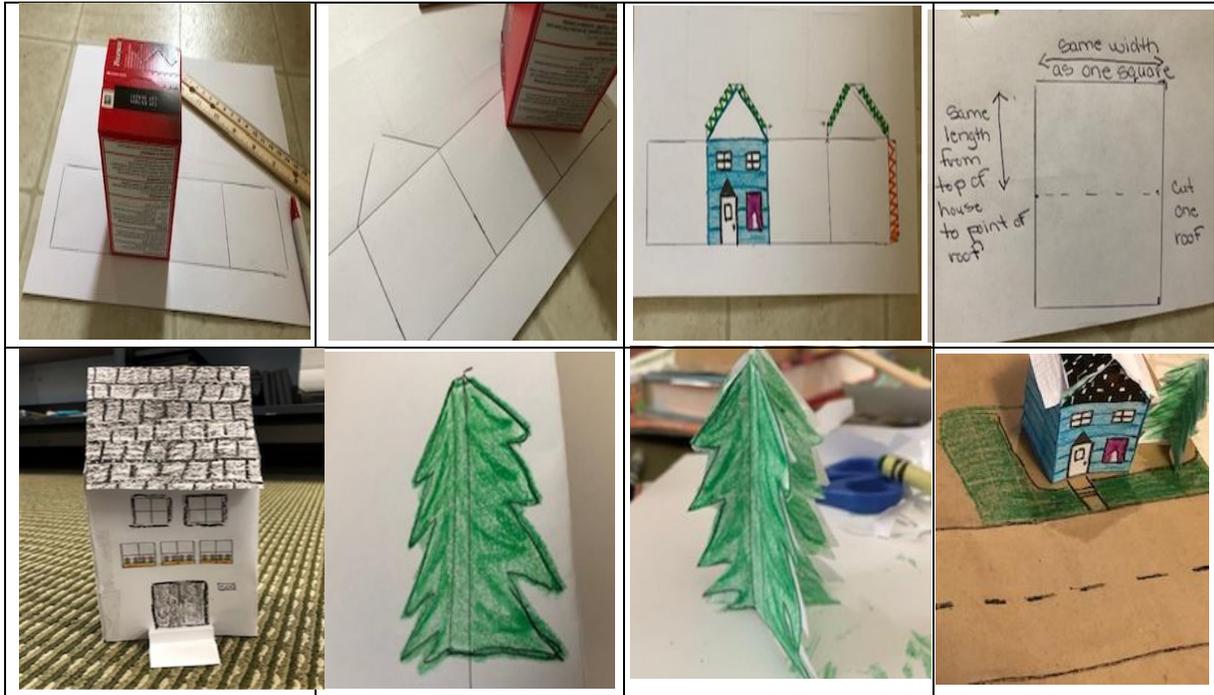


This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. This week we have a special project that is part of your own story and where you live, learn, and play. You will be able to use your imagination and creativity. We will work on making a house that can look like the house you live in or a house that you dream up. You can build many houses and make a little village. Building a village is like a blank canvas where you start with different squares or rectangles and design a place you want to see come to life. The place where your story begins.



1-Draw four squares or rectangles in a row on a piece of paper or any cardboard. You could use a Kleenex or cereal box. Look around the house for something you can use to trace to get an even shape or use a ruler. On the second and last square, draw a triangle on top of the box. Then draw lines to make tabs around the triangles and on the very last box. These tabs will be glued or taped together to make the house shape and roof. Color or decorate your house before you cut it out.

2- For the roof, draw a box the same shape as the house, square or rectangle. You will fold this in half and attach to the tabs on the points of the house. The width will be equal to the width of one square or rectangle on the house and the length should equal the length from the top of the house to the top point of the triangle. There are many patterns you can add to the house for windows, flower boxes, or even your address.

3- Fold the shapes on the lines to form the house and glue the tab to the end box. Now fold the roof in half at the dotted line and glue the roof to the tabs. Draw the shape of a tree. Cut three and color. Fold in the middle of each and glue each side to another side of the next one. Now your tree will stand up.

4- Get a paper bag and draw a road or a garden for your village. Add more houses or buildings and imagine a new place where everyone comes together in caring and comfort. Maybe you can even add a new library that is right next to your house.

**Be well and Be safe!** -Ms. Susan