



Button Challenge

Suitable for Rainbows, Brownies,

Guides, Rangers and Volunteers

The Button Challenge

The Button Challenge was created by two leaders of 1st Heacham Rangers with a passion for all things crafty and a love of buttons. Beginning as a lockdown project, it quickly turned into an idea for raising funds for 1st Heacham Rangers in the hope of trips and residentials in the not too distant future.

It wasn't that long ago that most households owned a 'button box' I still have clear memories of sitting with my Grandma's button box, hunting out my favourites and sorting them into different sets.

Maybe you, your Mum or Grandma have memories like this too?

The Button Challenge is split into 3 sections:

1. Make

2. Play

3. Bake

To earn your badge we suggest the following:

Rainbows need to complete: 1 challenge from each section

Brownies need to complete: 2 challenges from each section

Guides need to complete: 2 challenges from each section, along with 2 additional challenges of your choice

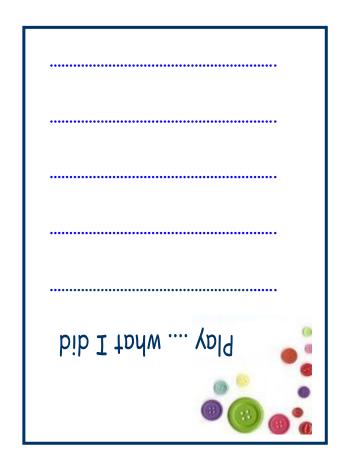
Rangers/volunteers need to complete: 2 challenges from each section, along with 3 additional challenges of your choice

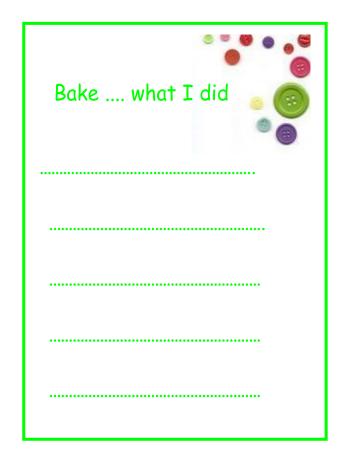
There is a chart to record your progress, but of course you are not limited to these if you wish to do more!

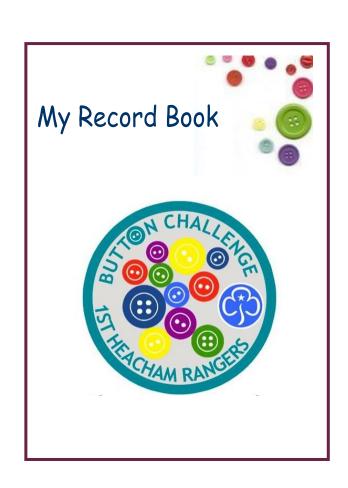
We hope you enjoy discovering the endless possibilities of buttons...

Good Luck! Sue & Susanne

Make what I did







Make



- Make a rainbow
- Make an initial collage
- Sew a button on a garment
- Make a hanging decoration
- Make a flower
- Make a greetings card
- Make a bookmark
- Make jewellery
- Make a covered button

Make

- hints and ideas..

Make a rainbow:

Try to create a rainbow using lots of pretty coloured buttons.

Why not put your rainbow in a frame to display in your house?





Make an initial collage:

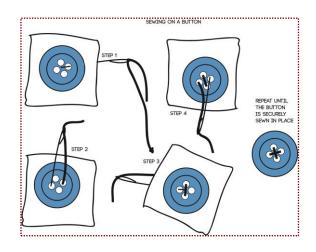
Print out or draw a large outline of your chosen initial. Choose a selection of buttons to fit neatly inside the letter. Maybe your favourite colour or even a mixture of colours. Display your collage in a frame.

(# want to take it further - can you write a whole word using buttons......?)

Sew a button onto a garment......or

#Take it further by finding out more about Pearly Kings and Queens
and make something inspired by what you have learned......

(......there are also Pearly Kings and Queens in Mary Poppins!)





Make - more ideas.....

Make a decoration to hang using either florist wire or a pipecleaner

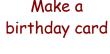






Make a flower either using florist wire or a pipecleaner









Button bookmarks

Make a bookmark using a large paperclip and a pretty button

Make a piece of jewellery, for example a bracelet





Recycle an old button with a woven covering Visit:

https://kddandco.com/2014/02/20/covered-button-tutorial/

Play.....



- Play noughts and crosses
- Kim's game
- Relay race
- Tiddlywinks
- Tower building
- Word search
- Quiz
- Colouring sheet



- hints and ideas.

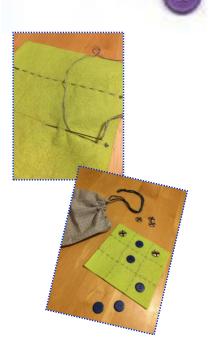
Play O's and X's



Draw out a 3 \times 3 grid on a piece of card. Choose two sets of 5 buttons in different colours

(these don't need to be identical) Draw or sew a cross onto one set of buttons. Find a tub to store your 0's and X's game in (you may need to fold your grid to fit in the tub)

take it further - Why not sew your grid on a piece of felt and **make** a small bag to store them in or decorate a tin for them



Kim's game





Can you make up a relay race using chocolate buttons

Tiddlywinks





Tower building

Who's got the tallest tower?



Buttons/



N N B

QBEOQYRXR

M H U N T V X T F T D B P

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B L X B E X C V V T P M W N B Y C C A J S

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BUTCVTAON

T T O

Belly button
Bright as a button
Button box
Button hole
Button moon
Button mushroom

Button nose
Button up
Chocolate button
Cute as a button
Push the button
Unbutton





N N B

NΝ Q В Υ R Μ U VΧ F D Ν Ι Τ Ε L Υ U Ζ Χ S K J Ζ 0 Υ L Ν Ν Χ G Α Ρ Ε В Ζ Ζ G С V Ρ W В В U H U 0 K J Ι Ε Η O O Ε U Ι U N K J Μ Η U V U Т F В Υ Ι Υ С D 0 Α G L J 0 R В W V U Η С Χ D Ε F Η Α O Η G С Ζ S Τ В G G Т Т Η C Χ \mathbf{L} Z В D Μ Μ Η D 0 G Η S Η L K Ε С Τ Α Ε Ε J Н W 0 Ρ WK V С Η Ε С F S S P W Ι ∇ В Н G F K Ν Μ 0 Ε Ε K O L K S L J Q Ν K B Ε Ζ Q Τ F Ζ Ι Ν J Α E B 0 С Τ С N В С D D S J L J F U В Ν Τ O F Υ U Ρ В В F Ι ${f T}$ S G Ρ Α F R Υ Ζ U 0 F L Т Ε Η S Τ S W 0 Α U Ν F Ε 0 J K G G 0 G J V Т С Т U V 0









Let's journey through the history of the button.

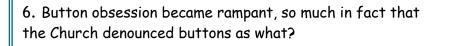
Hopefully, we'll learn some interesting facts along the way

- 1. During what age did buttons appear?
 - The Industrial Age
 - The Bronze Age
 - The Early Age
 - The Elderly Age
- 2. What most likely caused the button to become popular as a fastener?
 - Thread and ribbon used for fastening became scarce
 - The King proclaimed it
 - Tailors were threatened with torture if they didn't find a new way to fasten clothes
 - Clothing became more fitted
 - 4. From which language does the word 'button' come?
 - Spanish
 - Italian
 - French
 - Chinese

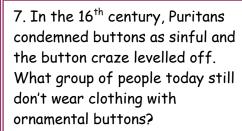
- 3. Who brought the concept of the button and buttonhole to Europe?
 - The Pope
 - The Crusaders
 - The Pilgrims
 - The Beatles

5. BY 1250, France had established the Button Makers Guild. These artisans took great pride in producing beautiful buttons that could be worn by whom?

- Everyone
- Only soldiers
- Only button makers
- Only aristrocracy



- The 'eighth deadly sin'
- The 'downfall of the Church'
- The 'fastener of Satan'
- The 'Devil's snare'



- The Button Makers Guild
- The Amish
- The Royal family of England
- The Irish

- 8. In 1620, the first Duke of Buckingham reportedly had clothing items covered with buttons made from what?
 - Emeralds
 - Diamonds
 - Pearls
 - Opals

9. Can you believe buttons even caused a war? Well they did! It was called 'La Guerre des Boutons' and happened in the 17th Century. What was the item that started the war?

- Pieces of seashell
- Balls of thread
- Shards of bone
- Slivers of wood

10. By the 19th Century, buttons were being mass produced and every house had a button box to hold their collections. The most popular button by far was the black glass button. Who made this button so popular?

- King William IV
- Cixi
- Queen Victoria
- King George IV





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Answers

- 6. Button obsession became rampant, so much in fact that the Church denounced buttons as what?
 - The 'Devil's snare'
- 7. In the 16th century, Puritans condemned buttons as sinful and the button craze levelled off. What group of people today still don't wear clothing with ornamental buttons?
 - The Amish

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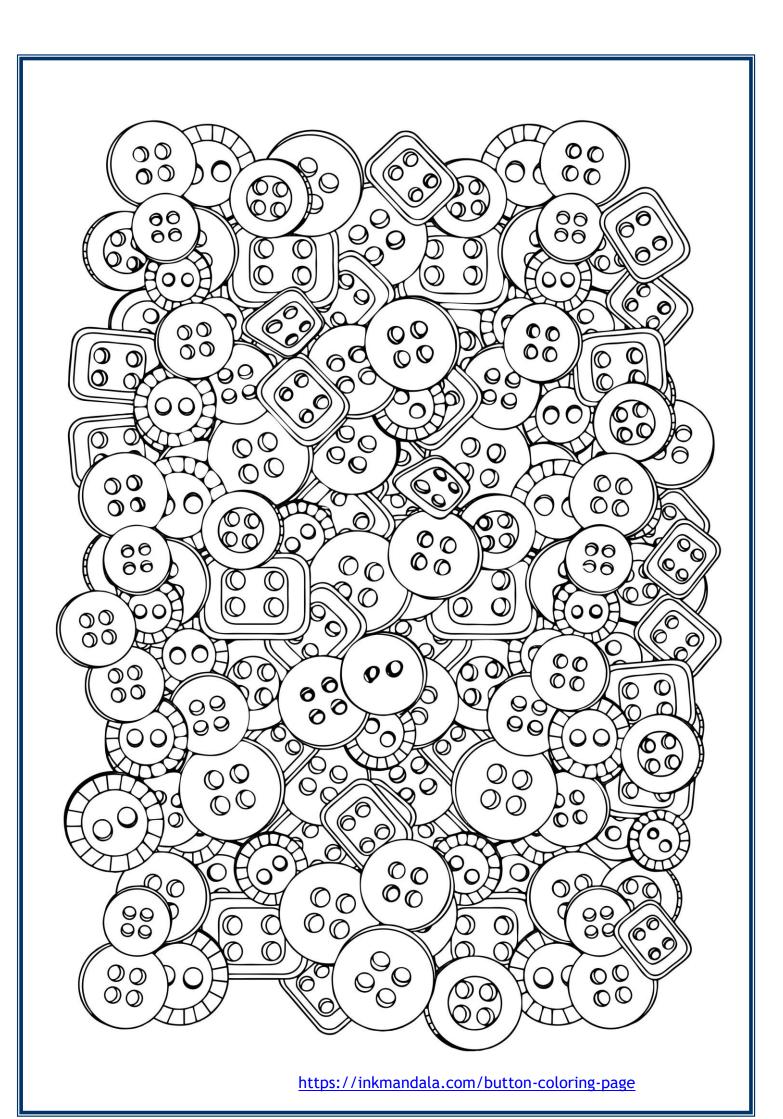
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Bake.....



- Bake chocolate button cookies
- Bake gluten free biscuits
- Bake really enormous chocolate buttons
- Bake bananas with chocolate buttons
- Bake a hedgehog cake
- Make button mushroom soup
- Make a mushroom quiche
- Make cheesey button biscuits
- Make button kebabs

Recipe ideas

Chocolate button cookies





https://www.foodtolove.co.nz/recipes/chocolate-button-cookies-21760



Gluten-free chocolate button cookies

https://glutenfreecuppatea.co.uk/2019/10/12/gluten-free-chocolate-button-cookies-recipe-dairy-free-option/

Really enormous chocolate buttons

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/really-enormous-chocolate-buttons





Chocolate baked bananas

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/chocolate-baked-bananas

Hedgehog cake

https://www.bettycrocker.co.uk/recipes/chocolate-hedgehog-cake



More recipe ideas

Button mushroom soup

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/mushroom-soup







Leek, mushroom & gruyere quiche

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/leek-mushroom-gruyere-quiche

Easy cheesey biscuits

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/user/126738/recipe/easy-cheesy-biscuits



How would you decorate these to looks like Buttons?



Mushroom, cherry tomato and mozarella pearl kebabs

What other button shaped foods could you use.....?



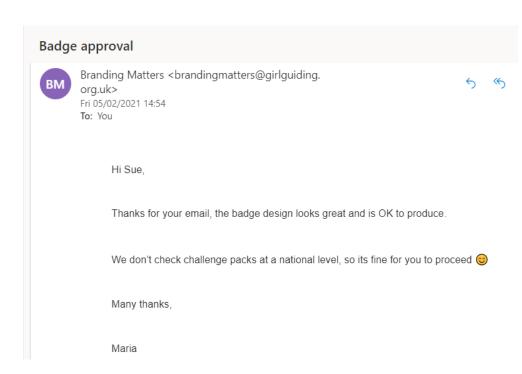
even more ideas....





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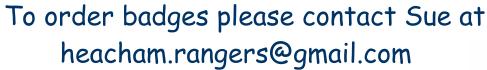
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