

## Make a Cookie booth barrier!

## Before you begin:

- Make sure you have an adult ready to help or cut, as needed. Follow the Safety Activity Checkpoints for Hand and Power Tools.
- Consider the cost of the materials you'll need, before you buy them. Make sure it's a good investment for your troop or your cookie business. If the cost will be more than you will earn, ask the supply store for suggestions on other materials you might use.
- If you're handy with tools, here's a design for a durable in-person Safety Barrier.

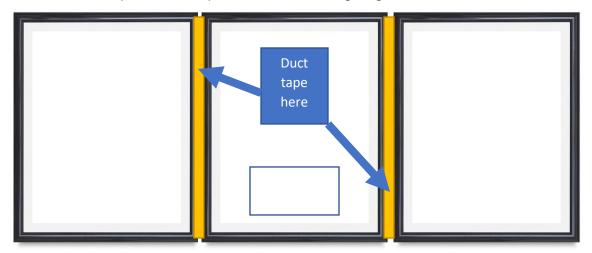
## **Option 1: Poster frame barrier:**

- Gather your materials:
  - 3 poster-size (24 x 36 inches) frames with plastic (not glass) coverings. Sturdy is best.
  - 1 roll of duct tape (in a fun pattern if you want!).
  - Utility knife.
  - Fine-point permanent marker.
  - Ruler.
  - 1 plastic bin that can hold a few boxes of cookies. It should be no larger than about 10 inches wide and 8 inches high.
- Remove any paper or cardboard from the frames.
- Make a hole in one poster frame, to pass the bin of cookies through.
  - Measure the size of your plastic bin, and add 2 inches to the width and height.
  - Mark those dimensions on the plastic covering of one frame. It should be about 3 inches above one of the short edges.
  - Use the utility knife to cut a hole along your markings.

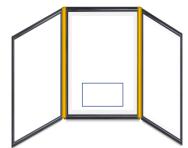




- Make "hinges" between your frames.
  - Lay your frames on a flat surface, with long edges almost touching each other. Put the one with the hole in the middle.
  - Use strips of duct tape to attach the long edges to each other.



- Flip the whole assembly over.
- Fold one side frame over the middle frame.
- Add a long strip of duct tape between them. Lay the side frame down.
- Repeat for the other side.
- Now you have a basic, folding barrier! You can use stickers or empty cookie boxes to decorate it, or add lightweight signs. Be careful in the wind. You may need to duct tape the sides of the barrier to the table.



## **Option 2: Plexiglass barrier:**

Glass stores or home improvement stores sell Plexiglass, a clear plastic that comes in different thicknesses. Availability varies greatly, so call or visit the store and find out what's in stock. Ask how to cut it or learn here. Thin plexiglass can be cut with hand tools. Other thicknesses require saws. The edges also need to be smoothed.

If the materials are available, and you're able to cut it (or ask the store to cut it), you can make one. You can build a barrier like this one with just a few cuts. It's portable and the right size for one Girl Scout.

