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Economy Fun Frames

Blank frames are fun to decorate and make great gifts! Glue buttons, colored rice, tissue paper, felt bits or wood mosaic squares to your frame.

Punch out the cardboard frames. Each piece of cardboard will make two frames. Tip: Decorate the center shapes and add magnetic back to create a little fridge magnet.

If you would like a backing for your frame, trace around it onto a piece of cardboard or paper. Cut this shape and glue it on the back.

Use your frames as gifts! Don't forget to add a special picture! Tip: Draw a portrait of yourself instead of using a photograph.

Frame a greeting card! Glue a picture on the front of a folded sheet of thick paper or cardboard, and add a decorated frame. Tip: You could also frame the message! Glue your frame around some special words you have written on the front of a card.

Post a favorite saying on your bedroom door! Trace around the inside of a plain frame onto a sheet of paper. Write a message such as "Home Sweet Home" or "Sam's Room" within the lines you have drawn. Glue on the frame and hang it on your door.

Glue a magnet to the back of a frame and you can hang it on the refrigerator!

You can decorate your frames with recycled materials from around your house. Try some of these fun ideas:

- Decorate a vacation picture with a piece of map you used to get to your destination.
- Layer and glue on old puzzle pieces.
- Create a collage frame with pictures cut from magazines.
- Collect dried flowers and leaves for a frame with seasonal appeal!
- Add personality to your pictures by framing them with reminders of special events. Try ticket stubs, calendar dates, recipes!

