

KID YES DAY Playing With Sharp Objects Ideas

- Juggle daggers
- Axe throwing in the yard
- Carve a wooden animals
- Use power tools to build a mega-fort



Knives, Axes & Power Tools for Kids

Too many cuts, too few bandages.
Cat's tail gets axed.



I don't have the skills to supervise this safely.
Our coffee table won't look good with an axe stuck in it.
I have to say NO!



The Workaround

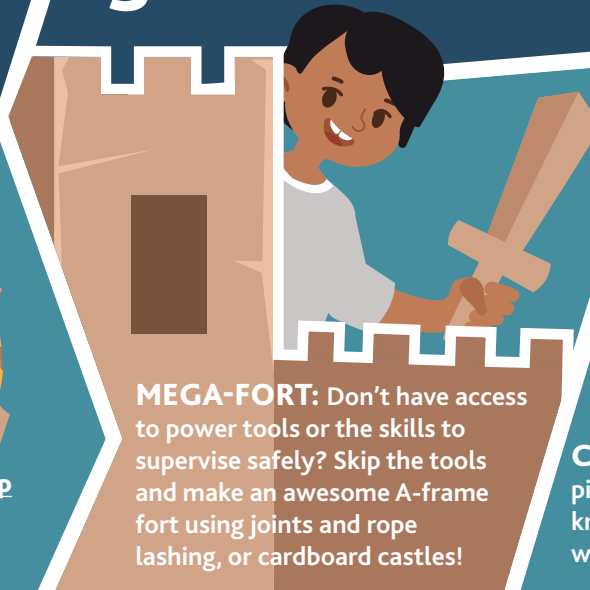
Consider these steps to get from the original idea to a modified version that is just as fun (and also safe & practical).

- 1 Identify the main draw: What is it about the idea that excites your kid(s)?
- 2 Identify obstacles, set parameters, plan ahead and be ready to problem-solve.
- 3 Find a fun (and safe) pivot idea.

With a few collaborative nuts, bolts and tweaks to the initial idea, your kid has an exciting concept creation that's ready to go!

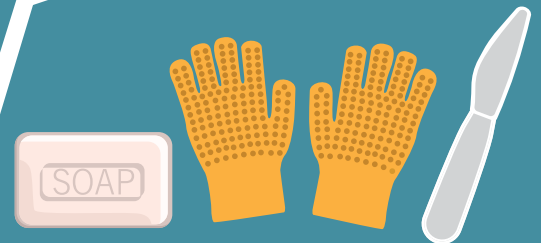


DAGGER DAREDEVIL: Build prop daggers to juggle and kid-friendly 'axes' to throw.



MEGA-FORT: Don't have access to power tools or the skills to supervise safely? Skip the tools and make an awesome A-frame fort using joints and rope lashing, or cardboard castles!

The Win



CARVING MASTER: For kid(s) age 7 & under, pick up new carving skills by starting with a nylon knife and hard soap instead of wood (use gloves with a studded grip, as soap can be slippery).

HACKS: To make your prop feel realistic, tape coins or to the item for added weight.

Knife Safety Tip: For youth **ages 8+** who are using real knives for carving, check out our safety tips [here](#).
Fort variations using different materials and skill levels, [here](#).