Comic Strip Viewer Box

Here’s a fun project for a rainy day. Make a comic strip viewer box. You can cut comic strips from the newspaper, make your own or even use the Vault Guys from the Doodles and Dots page of KidBits. Here’s how to do it.

You’ll need:

A Shoebox
Scissors (Ask an adult if you need help to cut out the holes and slots in the box.)
Ruler
Pencil
Posterboard or cardstock
Glue

Don’t forget the comic strips!

Instructions:

1. Cut a 1” round hole in one end of the box.
2. Cut a 1/4” slot an inch from the other end and a 1/2” from the top and bottom on either side of the box. You can use the ruler and pencil to get the slots even and straight.
3. Make a square hole 2” x 2” two inches from the end of the lid.
4. Put the lid on the box so the hole is at the same end as the slots. Your comic strip viewer box should look the one below in figure 1.
5. Cut out your comic strip and glue it onto a piece of posterboard or cardstock the same size.
6. Slip the strip into the slots (see figure 2), put your eye to the round hole and pull the strip from the left to watch your show. HINT: Make sure that the hole in the top of the box has light coming into it.
7. Have fun!

Figure 1

Figure 2