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# THE QUEEN'S VISIT

multi-sensory story



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*Adapted for DIY stories from original by  
Stuart Cummings (based on Gran's Visit by Chris Fuller)*

*Preparation required - see bottom of document for further information.*

- Solid Surface**      **One morning the centre manager knocked on the door...**  
*They knock on the surface.*
- Folded Paper**      **"I've got some exciting news!" said the centre manager as she showed them a letter. Can you help them open it so that they can read it?**  
*The listener takes turns to unfold the letter and the storyteller re-folds it.*
- No Action**      **"It says Her Majesty The Queen is coming to visit! We'd better get ready," said the centre manager.**
- Polish/Surface**      **We must . . . polish the table.**  
*The sentence is repeated, and the last three words emphasised as the listener put the polishing pad into the polish and then rub it onto the surface.*
- Bunting**      **We must . . . put the bunting up.**  
*Repeat as they put up the bunting.*
- Duster/Chair**      **We must . . . dust the chairs.**  
*Repeat as the listener takes the duster and dusts.*
- Duster/Surface**      **We must . . . clean the windows.**  
*They wipe the surface with the cloth*
- Paint Brush**      **We must . . . paint the walls.**  
*The brush the walls with the paintbrush*
- Red Fabric**      **We must . . . roll out the red carpet**  
*They roll out the carpet.*
- Flowers/Perfume**      **We must . . . put some flowers out. Mmmm, they smell nice!**  
*They smell the perfumed flowers.*
- Light/Noise**      **Time for the security check!**  
*Run the light over their arms and legs, whilst making a scanner noise.*

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**Action**     **She is here already!**  
**Page**         *Storyteller makes fanfare sound whilst imitating a bugle player*

**Action**     **Welcome to ... Your Majesty!**  
**Page**         Shake participant's hand.  
                  Welcome them to their place of residence (home, school, etc).

***Pre-story preparations:*** *Fold up letter paper, prepare bunting (if needed, printable template below), roll up red paper, pre spray flowers with perfume for scent, turn on light.*

## **Items required for story:**

- Piece of wood/ a solid surface (like a clean plastic cutting board)
- Piece of paper (to fold)
- Polish pad/ polish
- Bunting – paper or fabric
- Duster cloth
- Clean, dry paintbrush
- Red fabric or paper
- Faux flowers / image of flowers
- Perfume/ floral room spray
- Phone / torch / bicycle light

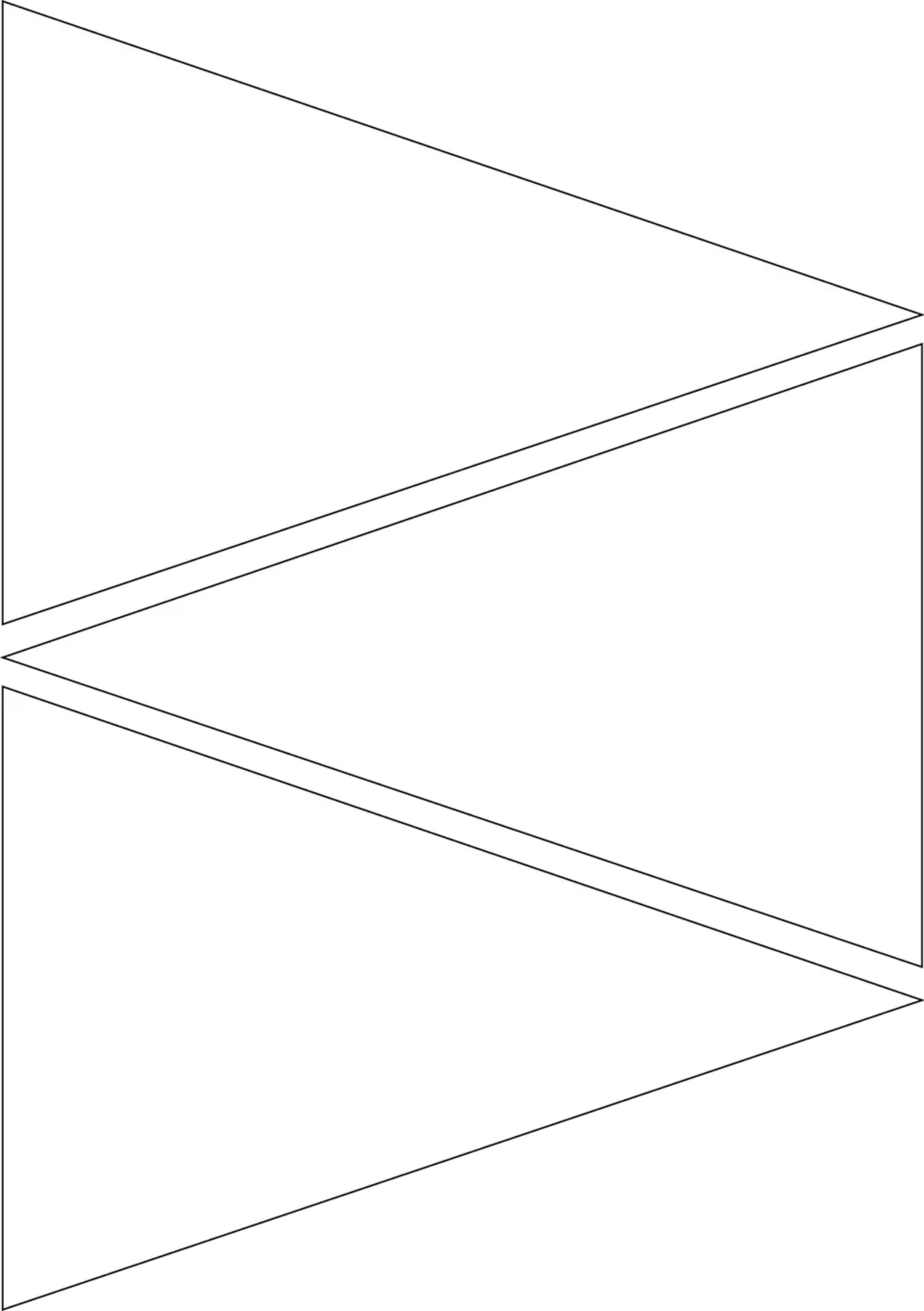
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