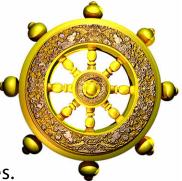


#### Introduction

This Book is designed to help you create gifts with Buddhist motifs. It contains a series of pictures for you to use, as well as instructions on how to design simple cards, puzzles and envelopes.



It also includes some completed designs at the end, which we hope will inspire you to create your own.

A complete set of line drawings of the Buddha's life story can be found in our colouring book "Story of the Buddha: A Colouring Book".

Wishing you happy gift making,

Pannyavaro

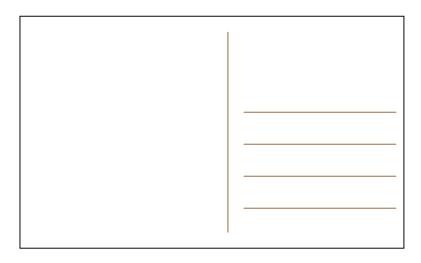
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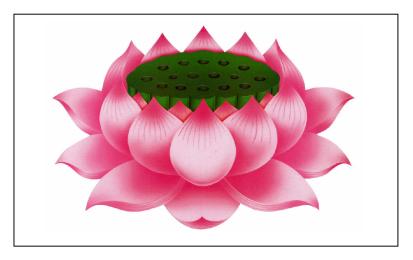


## Creating Vesak Gifts

#### Postcards

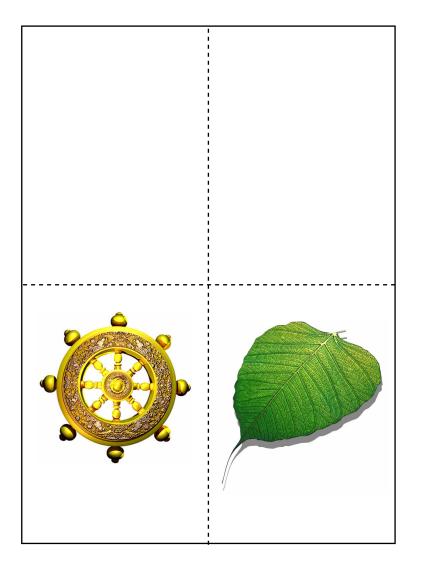
- 1. Use light colour cardboard.
- 2. Cut out postcard shape.
- 3. Draw address lines on one side, as shown below.
- 4. Draw a picture, or paste pictures or photos, on the other side.

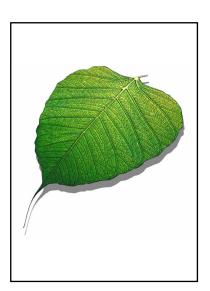




### **Greeting Cards**

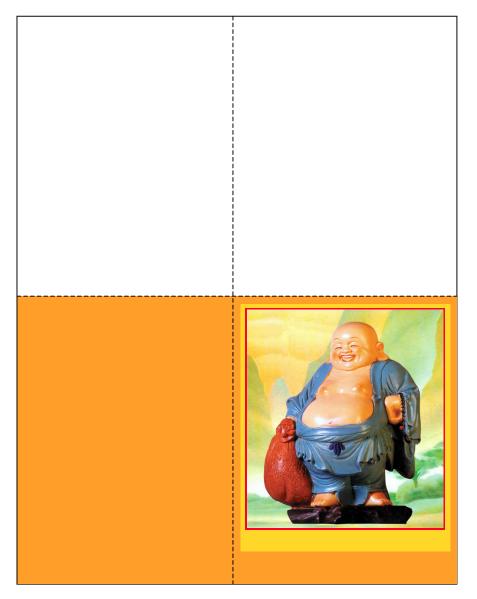
- 1. Fold paper in 1/4 (----).
- 2. Draw or paste pictures, as shown.
- 3. Decorate and write greeting inside.





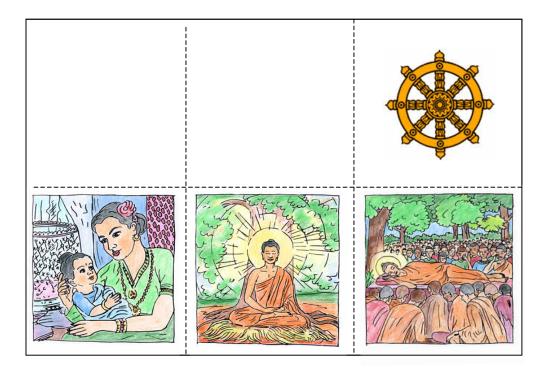
#### **Greeting cards**

- 1. Colour one ½ of the plain paper, or paste colour paper on it.
- 2. Fold card in 1/4 (---).
- 3. Paste pictures on the coloured paper.
- 4. Decorate and write greetings inside.



#### Story cards

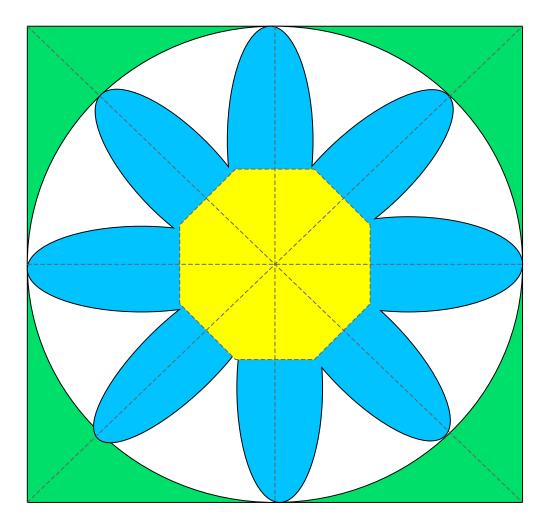
- 1. Fold paper as shown below (---).
- 2. Draw or paste pictures on the paper.
- 3. Decorate and write greetings inside.





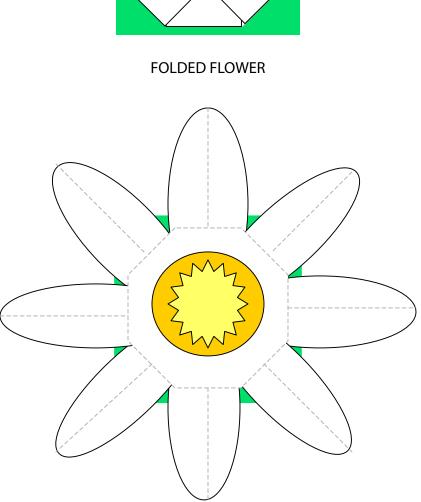
#### Paper flowers

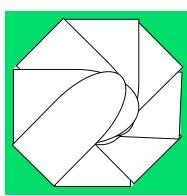
- 1. Fold a paper square as shown (---) and cut out a circle.
- 2. Cut out an 8-petal flower out of the circle.
- 3. Close (fold) the flower inwards (---) and paste it on a green cardboard square.
- 4. Open the flower and paste a coloured circle in the middle and another smaller star-like circle on the top of it.
- 5. Write Vesak greetings on a small piece of paper and place it inside the flower.
- 6. Systematically close the flower in a clockwise or an anti-clockwise way, and put it into an attractive envelope.



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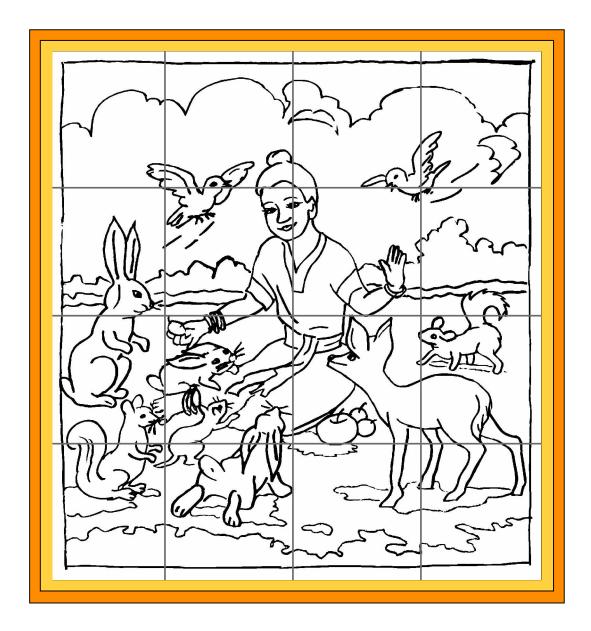
**OPENED FLOWER** 





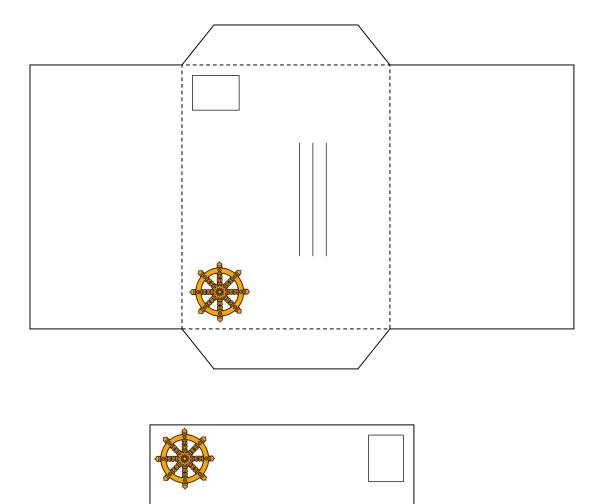
#### Puzzles

- 1. Draw or print a picture on paper.
- 2. Paste on cardboard.
- 3. Cut to shapes (----)



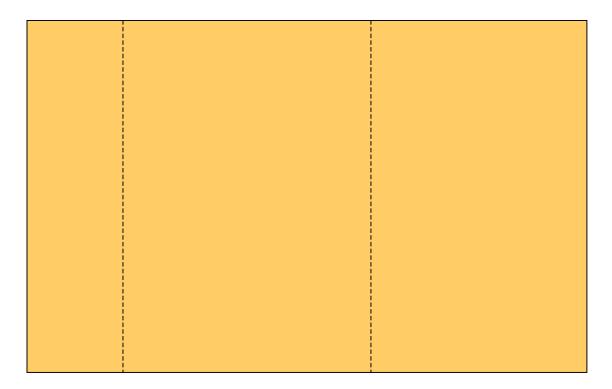
#### **Plain envelopes**

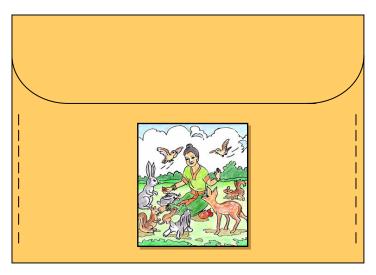
- Cut paper as shown.
  Fold and paste sides.
- 3. Decorate.



#### Cardboard envelopes

- 1. Fold cardboard as shown below (---).
- 2. Staple or stitch sides.
- 3. Shape edges and decorate.



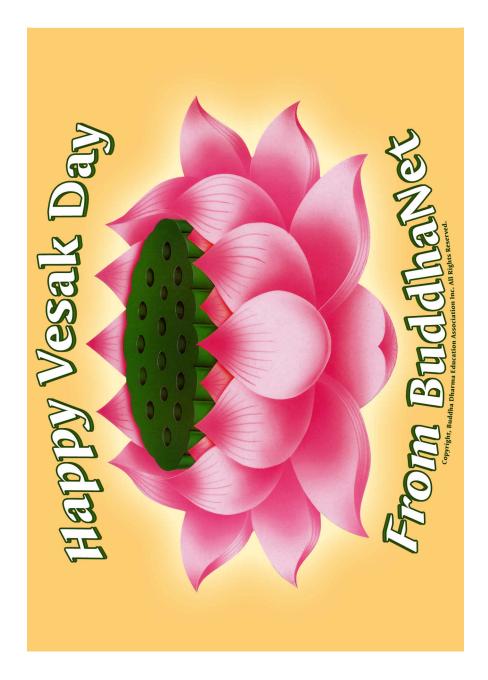




# Vesak Gift Samples

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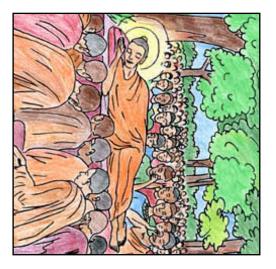




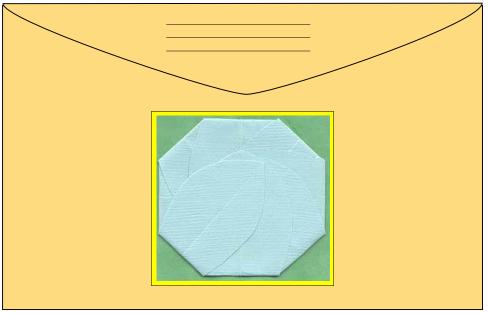




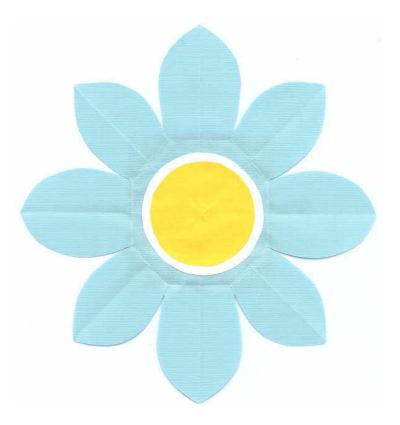




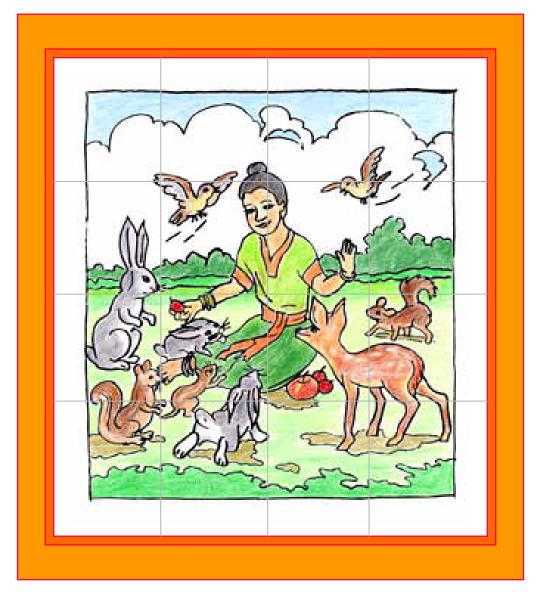




FOLDED PAPER FLOWER



PAPER FLOWER



CUT OUT PUZZLE

