Turn any scene into a diorama with this how-to guide from *You Are Stardust* artist Soyeon Kim!

A diorama is a scene filled with 3D figures, often against a painted background. To make her diorama, artist Soyeon Kim recycles the wood from canvas frames or buys wood from a lumber store to create a box. Then she attaches linen cloth to the tops and bottoms and hangs her colored drawings using fishing wire and hot glue.

### How to make a Diorama

**You’ll Need:**

- Shoebox
- Colored and white paper
- Scissors
- Pencil crayons
- Paper clips
- Glue
- Small toys (optional)
- Thread
- Tape

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1. Think of a scene you'd like to turn into a diorama — it could be an underwater scene, an outer space scene, something to do with your favorite sport, or anything at all!

2. Create a backdrop for your scene by cutting shapes out of colored paper and gluing them to the bottom and sides of your shoebox.

3. Turn your shoebox on its side so that the bottom of the box is now the background for your scene.

4. Draw and color people, animals, or objects to your scene on white paper using pencil crayons. Cut them out.

5. Fold your paperclips into an “L” shape to make stands. Tape your drawings to the paper clips and place them on the bottom of the shoebox. If you like, add small toys to your diorama!

6. If your scene contains things that fly or swim, use thread and tape to hang the drawings from the roof of your shoebox so that they float in midair.