

# Watches

## Background:

During the Victorian period, it was fashionable for men to carry pocket watches. Usually the watch was hung on a chain fastened to a belt loop or to wear it in a vest pocket. The ladies, since they were wearing full dresses, wore their watches around their necks as locket or pinned them on as brooches.

## Supplies:

- Template (makes 3 watches) - printing on heavier paper, such as cardstock, works best, however regular paper is fine.
- Scissors
- Glue stick/glue
- Pen/pencil
- Ribbon/Yarn/string/ safety pin
- Coloring materials such as color pencils or gel pens
- Hole punch (or anything you can use to punch a hole in the paper)

## Directions:

1. Print out the template. The first page of the template is the watch. Cut out the body of the watch along the solid line. Fold in half at the dashed line. Open up your watch, you will have a top part and a bottom part.
2. The second and third pages are two different watch faces. Choose a watch face, cut it out and paste it on the bottom inside part of your watch. Draw the hour and minutes hands, you can choose whatever time you like.
3. On the top inside part, you may add an inscription. For example, you may want to write your name, date or your favorite saying.
4. Now close your watch. On the outside, decorate your watch with any coloring materials you have. You can also print out an image online and glue it to the outside.
5. Punch a hole in the tab on the top, then string a piece of ribbon, yarn or string through. Or, you can pin it on using a safety pin. You can either wear it as a pocket watch, a locket watch or a brooch.



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