

### House - Basic house shape.

This larger basic house shape made from a cardboard box can easily be modified to make a house, or garage.

#### Materials:

- Cardboard box.
- An extra piece of cardboard, the same length and width as the top of the box.
- White copy paper; enough sheets of A4 (Letter) size, to cover the house before painting.
- Elmer's Glue-All (or similar) and glue brush.
- Masking tape and Scissors.
- Black felt tip pen.
- Rule (use for holding down the paper firmly, whilst tearing into strips along the grain).
- Coloured Acrylic paints if required, and paint brushes.



Shown above, the completed basic house shape covered with glued strips of white copy paper now ready for painting.



1. The original cardboard box shown above, measures 19 cm wide x 15cm. front to back. Of course any size box may be used.



2. Cut the corners of the side flaps to make pointed gables at each end.



3. Tape the front and the back flaps to the gable ends as shown, tape inside also, to make the corners strong.



4. Take the extra cardboard, which has been cut the same length of the box, and wide enough, when folded lengthwise, to make a roof ridge.



5. Carefully place the ridge over the top of the box as shown then tape it round the edges.



6. Once the ridge is taped in place, the basic shape is complete. Chimneys, doors etc. can be added before covering with strips of glued white copy paper to make a good surface for painting.