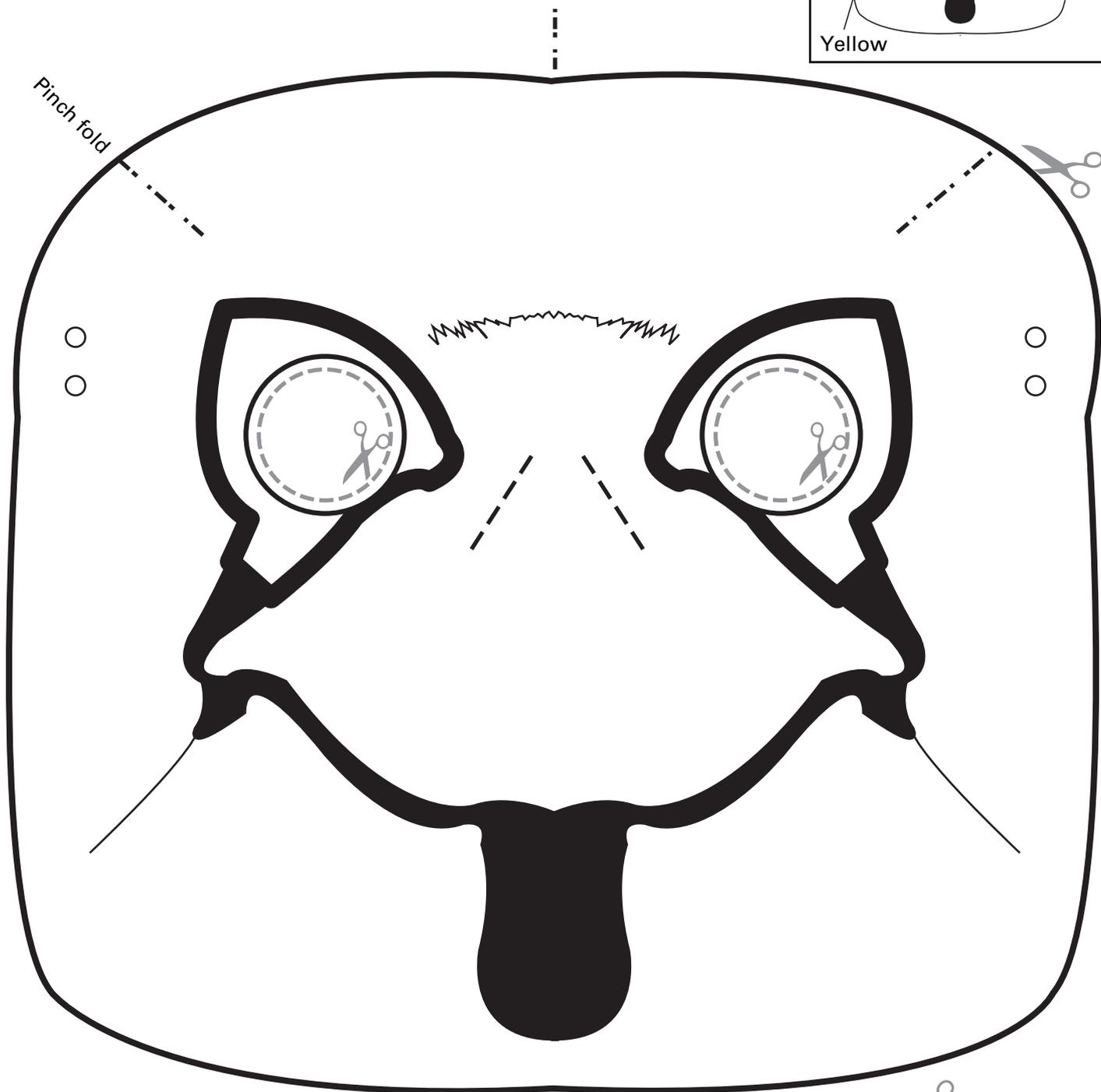
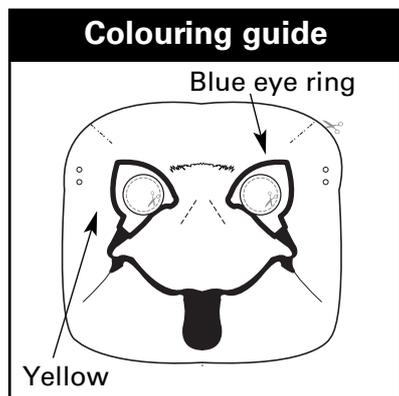


Gannet

- Colour in this great mask to look like a gannet.
- Look at the guide to see which colours should go where.
- Where we haven't marked a colour, leave it white.

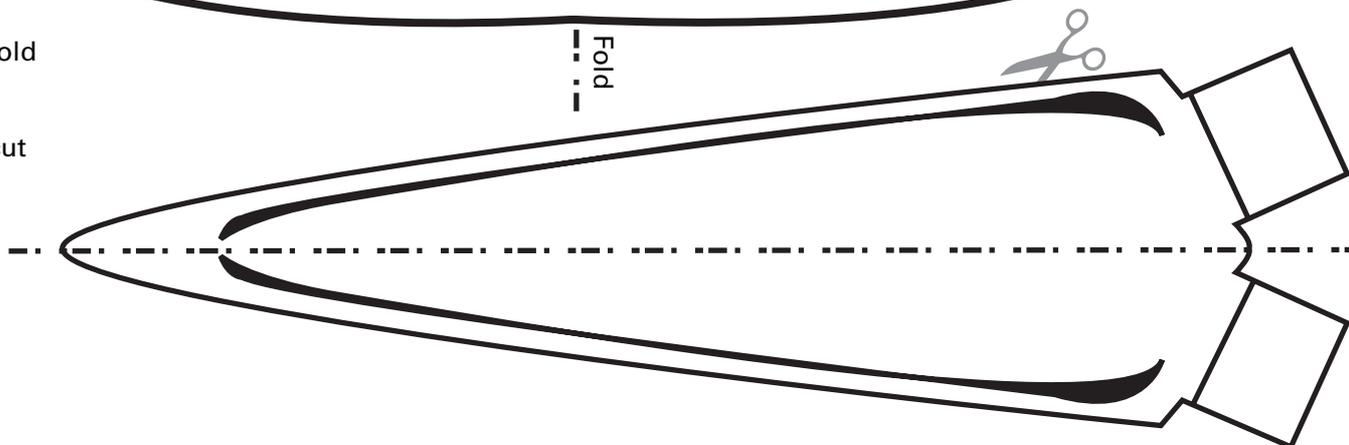
Turn over for more instructions on how to complete your mask.



- - . - - = fold

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Fold



What you need:

Yellow and blue
coloured pencils or
felt pens
Scissors
About 50 cm of
shirring elastic
Sticky tape

What to do:

- Colour in your mask, following the guide
- Carefully cut out your mask and the beak, following the thick line marked with scissors.
- Even more carefully, cut out the eyes and cut the two slits between the eyes.
- Ask an adult to help you push out the holes marked (two each side), ready to thread the elastic.
- Fold the mask in half along the dotted lines.
- Crease along the dotted lines on the bird's forehead.
- Fold the beak in half along the dotted lines.
- Push the beak flaps through the slots and stick to the back with sticky tape.
- Thread the elastic through the holes from the back of the mask and stick it to the back with sticky tape. To make it stronger, tie knots in the ends before you stick them down.

Gannet

Gannets are huge, white seabirds. They make brilliant, head-first dives into the sea to catch fish. They will dive from up to 30 metres high and can reach a speed of 100 kph (60 miles an hour) as they hit the water.

Gannets nest in noisy colonies, mainly on rocky islands and cliffs around the north and west coast of Britain. Each young gannet eats about 30 kilos of fish during the 13 weeks it spends in the colony.



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