

"What a world of vicissitudes is this!

The scenes continually changing! It reminds me of a little toy I had once: it was a box with a glass on one side, and by turning a handle, which was fixed in one end, a variety of pictures passed beneath the glass, one continually succeeding another. Some were pleasing, others frightful ... Don't you think this a picture of the world we live in?"

Follow the instructions on the following page to create a toy similar to the one Eliza described in her letter, that tells the story of her encounters with American and British soldiers.

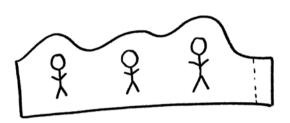
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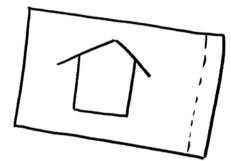


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1: cut out the landscape and character pieces

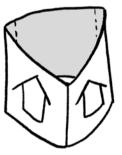








2: tape or glue the pieces into rings



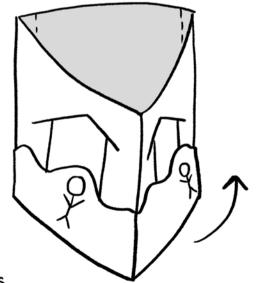




3: slide the character ring onto the landscape ring

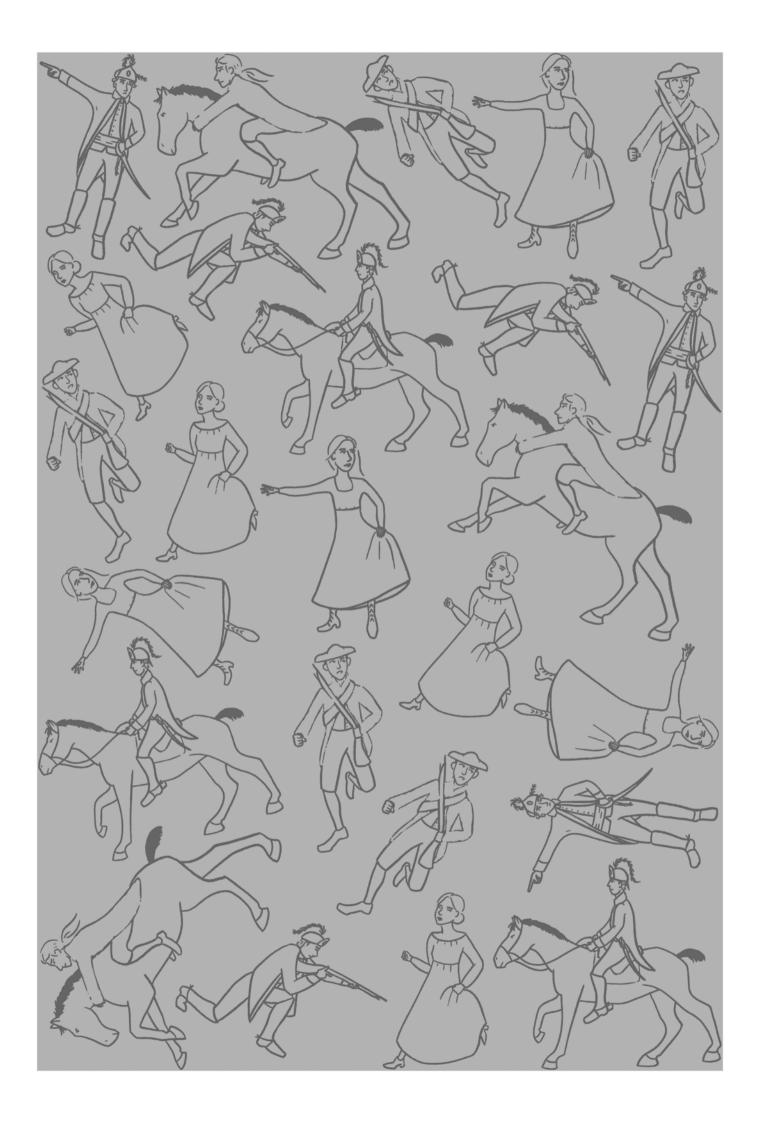


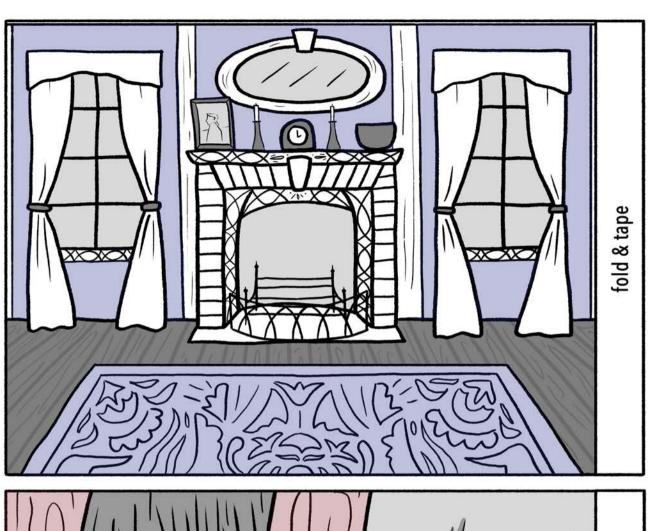
4: rotate the rings to view different character and landscape combinations

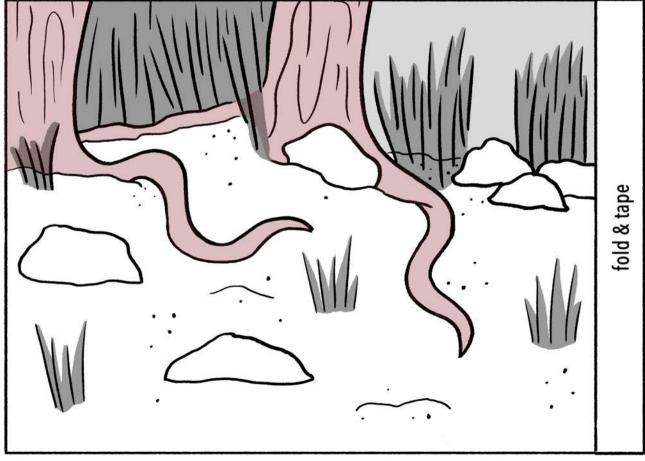


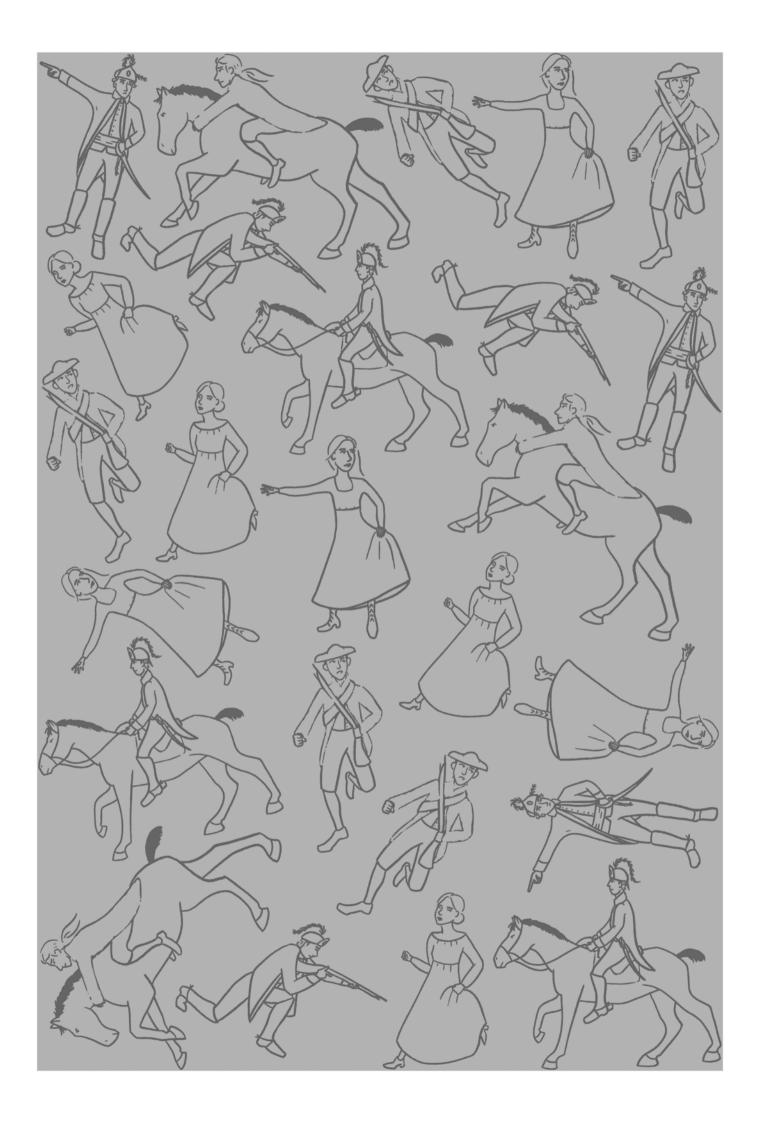
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CHARACTERS

