

# 8 Making a mug by using a template

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Today I want to show you how to create a cup with a handle.

I am going to do it in several steps.

In the first step I am going to show you how to make a template and cut the shape out of a slab of clay (Tutorial 8a).

Then I am assembling the cup, add a handle and I am going to add some designs (Tutorial 8b).

## We are going to need for the first step: Making the template

- It would be good to have a cup – without a handle
- paper or cardboard
- pencil
- scissors

1. **I am rolling the cup over the cardboard and draw on the paper.**
2. **Do the same with the bottom.**
3. **Draw it a little bit bigger!**  
The clay is going to shrink in the firing process.
4. **Cut the shape out**
5. **Do the same for the bottom or draw it with the compasses.**

## We are going to need for the second step: Cutting the clay out

- a rolling pin
- clay & some slip from the same clay + brush
- tools for cutting

1. **Roll out a piece of clay**
2. **Cut out the pieces for your pot (The bottom has to be bigger than the cup!)**
3. **Score the parts & connect them with slip**
4. **Make the handle & connect it with the cup**

## **5. Do some decoration**

Don't forget to use some slip when you add some clay!