

# I'm Bored Jar



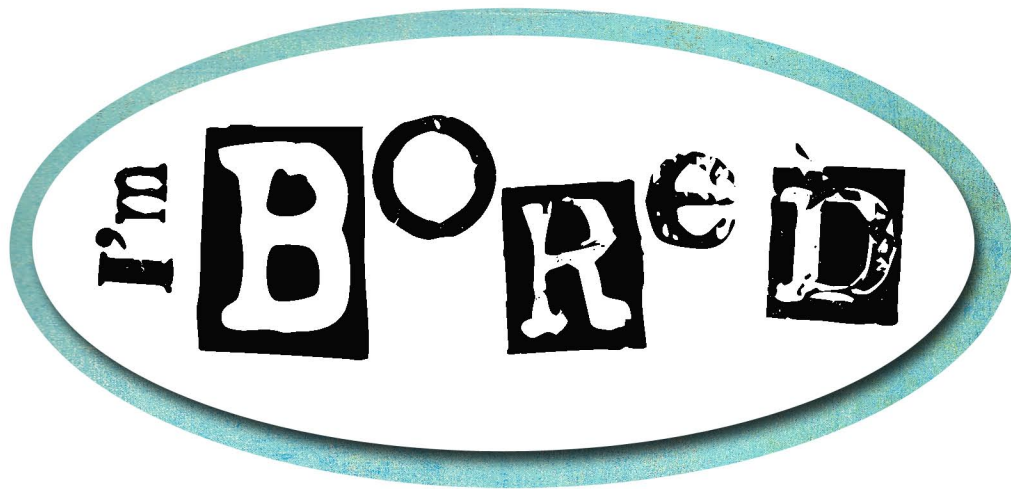
The dreaded words for every mother during summer vacation are "MOM, I'm bored". This summer try something new. Create this fun "I'm Bored Jar." Next time your little one utters the dreaded words you can ask them "are you ready to take a chance?" If so, they can draw pout one slip of paper from the "I'm Bored Jar". If they are lucky it might suggest a fun activity such as making cookies or running through the sprinklers. However, they might also draw a job card that gives them a task such as cleaning their room or vacuuming a room. Turn boredom into a fun game of chance.

## Supplies:

- An empty Jar or Plastic container
- 3 sheets of pattern paper (I used Lime Ricky by Basic Gray)
- Labels and words strips in these instructions

## Instructions:

Cut out the pieces. You can either print them directly on the blank side of patterned paper by cutting them down to 8.5X11 and feeding it through your printer. Alternatively, you can print them on regular printer paper and adhere it to the back side of pattern paper. Cut out each task, fold in half, and place in the jar. Select a piece of pattern paper to wrap around the center of the jar and then adhere the "I'm Bored" label. Cut out each of the words "Take a Chance" (on the instruction sheet), Mat them onto coordinating paper and then adhere to the top of the jar.



Change

A

Take

Do 1 chore  
(mom's choice)

Empty the  
Trash

Read a Book  
for 15 min.

Do 25  
Jumping Jacks

Make cookies  
with mom

Vacuum the  
living room

Organize  
your toys

Clean your  
room

Eat an  
apple

Play with  
sidewalk chalk

Jump rope for  
20 minutes

Get a special  
treat from mom

Have a picnic  
in the backyard

Make popcorn  
watch a movie

Make a rock creature  
with paint and glue

Dust 3  
Rooms

Blow  
bubbles

Make a craft  
with mom

Clean mom's  
room

Do a sibling's  
Chore

Take your pet  
for a walk

Pick up trash  
outside

Pull Weeds  
in front yard

Draw  
a picture

Write a page in  
your journal

Write a letter  
to a grandparent

run through  
the sprinklers

Do 1 chore  
(mom's choice)

Plant  
Something

play hide and  
go seek

Play a  
board game

Put on a  
Play

color in a  
coloring book

look at an old  
family album

Decorate an old  
T-shirt

Make a sock  
puppet

Learn how to do  
Laundry

Interview a  
family member

Eat a  
vegetable

Listen to your  
favorite song

Make a list of your  
favorite things

Play  
Dress-up

Do your  
times tables

Make an  
obstacle course

Play a  
video game

play drums on  
mom's pots & pans

Eat some  
ice-cream

Do a kind  
deed

Sing row row row  
your boat backwards

Play  
hopscotch

Play  
Frisbee

Organize  
the pantry

Find 5 fact about  
the President

Take a nap

Make shapes out  
of the clouds

Eat a  
popsicle

Go for a  
walk

Learn a  
Magic Trick

Roller skate or  
skateboard

Build a fort out  
of blankets