#### Activity: Complete the pattern.

**Purpose:** To develop an understanding of the world by recognizing recurring structures, making predictions, and developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

#### Recommended age: 3+

#### Before your child joins you:

1. Print out all three pages, pages 2 - 4. Cut out each pattern strip and the loose pattern pieces below each strip, i.e. the one pink tulip and one yellow daffodil.

#### Instructions

- 1. When introducing this activity to your child, start by talking through the first pattern strip, i.e. tulip, daffodil, tulip, daffodil, tulip, daffodil, tulip, daffodil, tulip, daffodil, tulip, daffodil. Then ask "What comes next?"
- 2. Show your child the loose pieces and allow them to put the next pattern piece onto the strip.
- 3. If they're interested in gluing work, they can also glue the loose pattern pieces into place.

### Recommendations

- For younger children, start with just page 1, working your way up to more complex patterns.
- Point out other patterns you see in the world around you, i.e. "Look, those Christmas lights are red, then green, then red, then green."







