



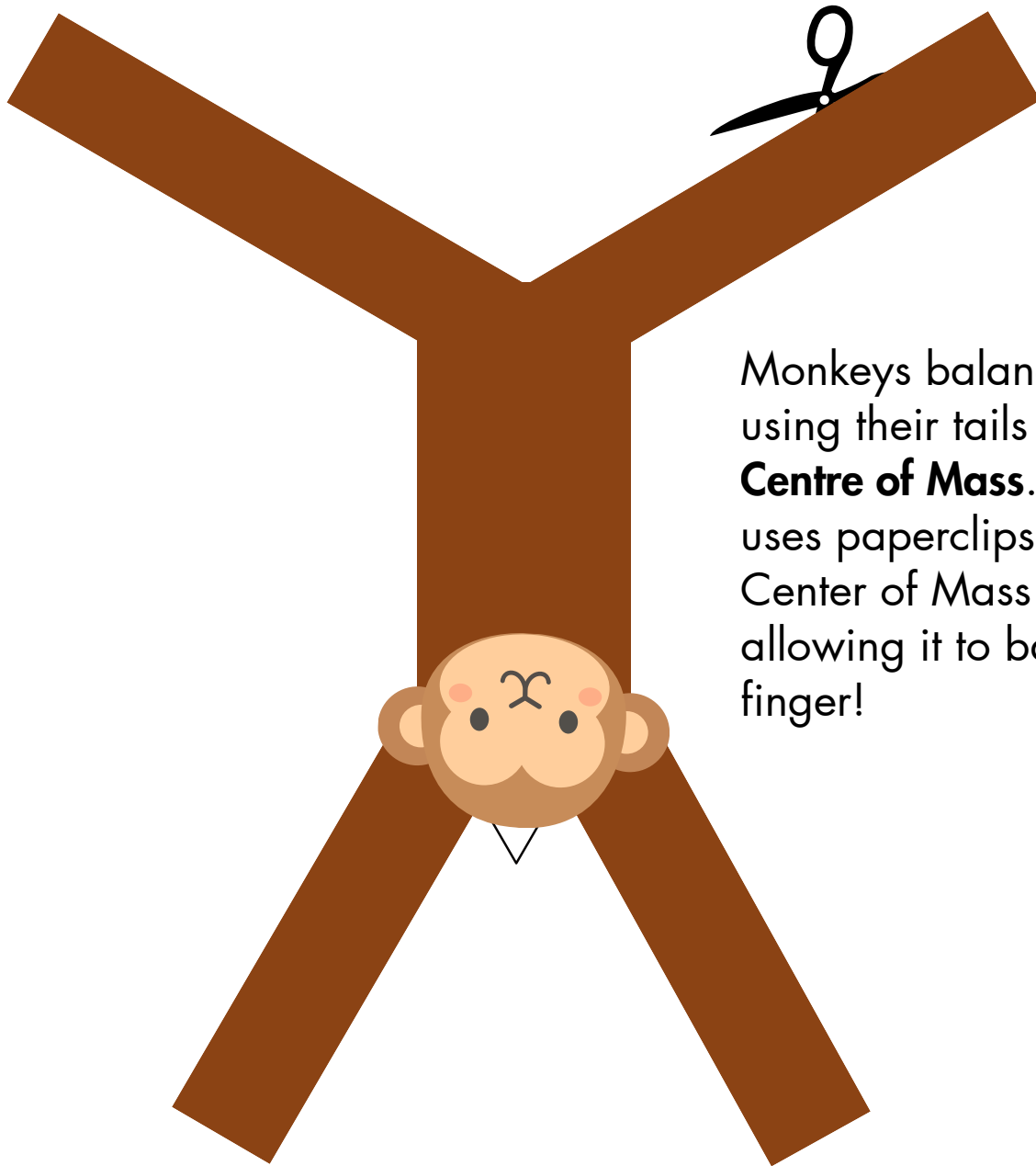
# BALANCING MONKEY

Cut out the monkey shape and try to balance it on your finger. The monkey will fall over.

Place 2 paperclips or a coin on the bottom of the arms and try again. The monkey should balance.

Add an extra paperclip and watch what happens.

Extension challenge - try other small objects instead of the paperclips. A small coin or play dough also work well.



Monkeys balance on trees by using their tails to adjust their **Centre of Mass**. This activity uses paperclips to lower the Center of Mass of the monkey, allowing it to balance on your finger!

