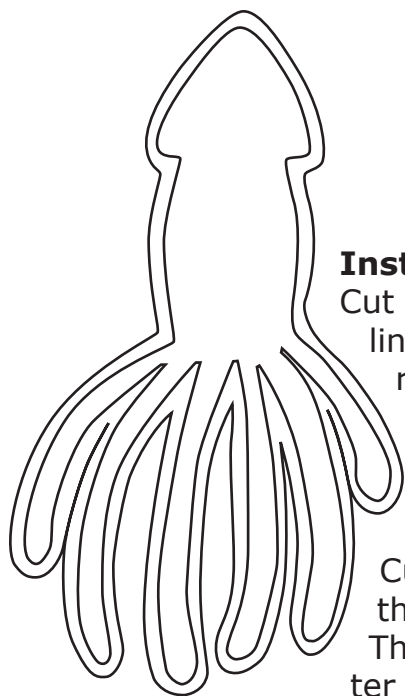


Plush Squid

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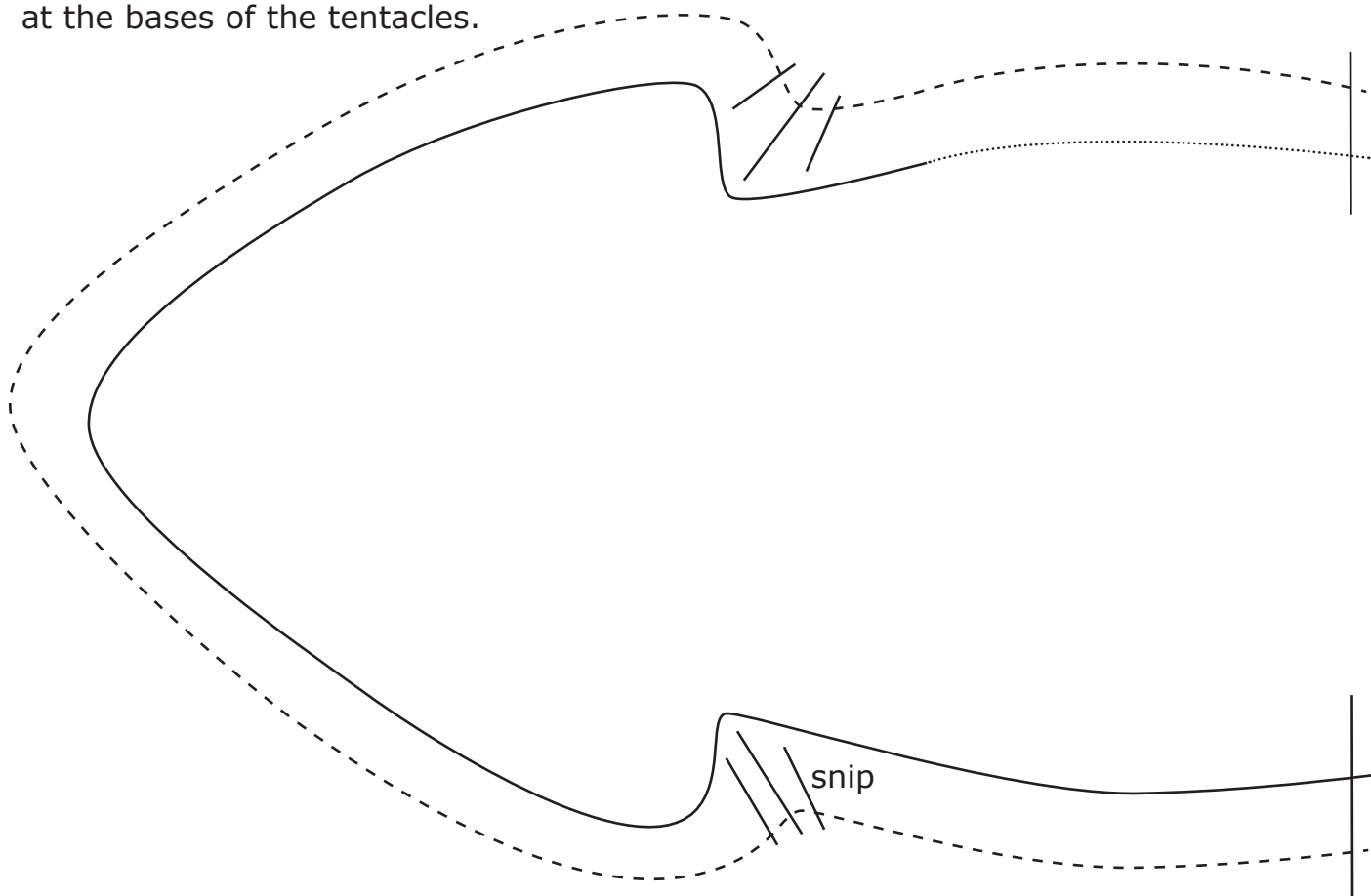


Instructions:

Cut out and assemble pattern pieces with tape, using the crop lines to align the pieces. Cut two of the shape at once, with right sides of fabric together. Knit fabrics make it easier to deal with the turning and stuffing the tight corners. Mark the "armpits" where the dots are with a H₂O-soluble pen or chalk.

Cut on dashed line, but sew on the interior solid line, leaving the dotted portion on the side body open for stuffing later. This will help keep the tentacles from shifting as you sew. After sewing, cut on seam allowance line and snip up to concave seams (marked).

Turn squid body right side out, using a chopstick or safety pin to help you invert the tentacles. Stuff the critter, tentacles first. The chopstick comes in handy again to help get stuffing down the tentacles. Hand-sew the side body shut and attach eyes and accessories as desired. Fleece and faux fur make a nice jacket (or shorts, depending on how you look at it) and are easy to hand-sew to the outside of the body after-the-fact. They cover up any puckers or seam problems at the bases of the tentacles.



Squid Body

cut 2, right sides together
on dotted line, mark dots
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