Getting The James Webb Telescope To Space

The James Webb telescope is **huge**, so how does it get into space?

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The base of the James Webb Telescope is roughly the size of a tennis court and scientists have had to figure out a way to blast it up into space. How? Fold it up and unfold it when it is in space!

This shows the size of the telescope compared to a person

What to do

- 1. Cut out the template along the white lines.
- 2. Take the rectangular template and wrap it around a loo roll tube. This will be your rocket. Secure with sticky tape.
- 3. Fold the blue tab over on the mirror piece and use it to stick the mirror piece to centre of the solar shield.
- 4. Fold your assembled template up as neatly as possible so that it fits inside the loo roll tube.
- 5. Optional: Attach two pieces of string to the solar sheild and see if you can design a fold that allows you to pull the telescope out of the tube and unfold it just by pulling on the string.

What you'll need

- Templates
- Loo roll tube
- Sticky tape



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