

## Little Angel Theatre's top tips for paper bag puppet making

### Hand Held Heroes

#### Instructions

##### YOU WILL NEED:

- A PAPER BAG WITH A FLAT BASE
- COLOURED PAPER
- TISSUE PAPER
- COLOURING PENS
- A GLUE STICK
- SCISSORS

##### STEP 3

MAKING SURE THE PAPER BAG IS UPSIDE DOWN (WITH THE FOLDED BASE AT THE TOP), GLUE YOUR PUPPET'S FACE ONTO THE FLAT BASE. THEN, GLUE YOUR CARD OR TISSUE PAPER BODY ONTO THE REST OF THE PAPER BAG.

##### STEP 1

FIRST HAVE A LOOK AT YOUR BAG. WHEN IT IS FOLDED FLAT IT SHOULD HAVE A FLAP ON ONE SIDE WHICH IS THE FLAT BASE FOLDED OVER - THIS WILL BE THE FACE OF YOUR PUPPET - YOUR HAND WILL GO IN THROUGH THE OPENING AT THE OTHER END (NORMALLY THE TOP OF THE BAG, BUT IN THIS CASE, WE ARE USING THE BAG UPSIDE DOWN.)

##### STEP 2

USE THE TEMPLATE TO DRAW AND CUT OUT HEAD OF YOUR PUPPET (OR IF YOU WANT YOU CAN MAKE YOUR OWN DESIGN) USING COLOURED PAPER. YOU CAN USE TISSUE PAPER FOR THE BODY IF YOU WANT. THEN, USING MORE COLOURED PAPER, DRAW AND CUT OUT YOUR PUPPET'S LEGS/FEET, ARMS, EYES, TAIL ETC.

##### STEP 4

GLUE ANY HAIR, EARS, EYES ETC. ONTO THE HEAD. YOU CAN ALSO DRAW ON ANY DETAILS WITH COLOURED PENS IF YOU WANT.

##### STEP 6

LASTLY, IF YOUR PUPPET HAS A TAIL YOU CAN GLUE IT ONTO THE SIDE OF THE BAG SO IT IS STICKING OUT AND CAN BE SEEN FROM THE FRONT. YOU CAN ALSO ADD ANY FINISHING DETAILS YOU WANT WITH SOME COLOURED PENS. OR MAYBE YOU HAVE YOUR OWN IDEA?

##### STEP 5

GLUE LEGS/FEET ONTO THE BOTTOM EDGE OF THE PAPER BAG (WHERE IT OPENS), AND ARMS ONTO THE SIDE OF THE BAG.

Your puppet is now finished! Put your hand inside the paper bag and use your fingers to move your puppet's head!

## How to make a Shakespeare hand puppet



### Materials

Brown paper bag with handles

Curly wool

Felt - brown, ginger, beige and white

White paper doilies

PVA glue

Scissors

Pencil

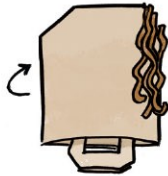
Red felt tip pen for drawing the mouth



# DRAMA & TALKING SHAKESPEARE



- Turn down top corners towards the back of the bag, to give the face some shape. Glue down firmly.



- Cut lengths of wool for hair approximately 15cm long. Wind round into a curl and stick in place. Stick longer lengths at sides.



- Cut out felt features for the face and stick in place.



- Cut beard large enough to cover the handle on the bag.



- To make a ruff, fold doilies in half and stick in place under chin to cover any bag handle which may still be showing.
- Stick a folded doily on each side of head at back of bag.



- Draw a nose on the face using the pencil or felt pen.

Your hand will fit comfortably inside bag to make the puppet move.







