

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM FEATURE ACTIVITY

SHADOW PUPPET THEATRE

Create your own exciting adventures with your very own *Shadow Puppet Theatre!*

SUPPLY LIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cardboard Box (any size) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe Cleaners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tissue Paper | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool Noodle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scissors | <input type="checkbox"/> Paint, Stickers, Markers (optional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Paper | |



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Use the scissors to cut the flaps on the box away, or use tape to tape the extra flaps down. You want to have a large opening through which you can look through your box!
2. Take a sheet of tissue paper. Use the tape to attach it over one of the open sides of the box. You should now have four sides of the box which are cardboard, one which is covered with tissue paper, and one which is open.
3. Decorate your box! It can be as fancy, or as simple as you would like!
4. Time to create our puppets! Draw the outline of the characters you would like to use on construction paper. They can be anything you want – people, animals, vehicles, or magical creatures! Use the scissors to cut them out.
5. Cut a small piece of the pool noodle, and fold a pipe cleaner in half. Use tape to attach your puppet to the folded part of the pipe cleaner, and stick both ends of the pipe cleaner into the pool noodle to act as a base.
6. Position your puppets inside the theatre. Turn on your flashlight, and sit in front of your theatre as you watch your very own stories come to life!

Additional Tips:

As a family, write your very own play. Practice it together and perform it for friends!



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