

Scrap Wood Puppets

Let the shape of the wood scraps suggest characters—people, animals, imaginary creatures—then make up scenes based on these characters.

Here's what you need:

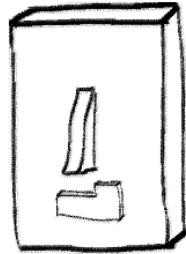
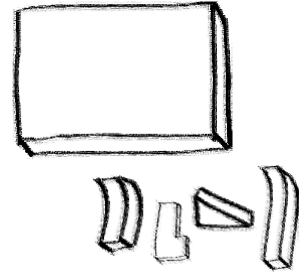
wood for a handle (ruler, paint stir-stick, or moulding)

scraps of wood, fabric

construction paper, scissors

masking tape, white glue

staple gun (optional)



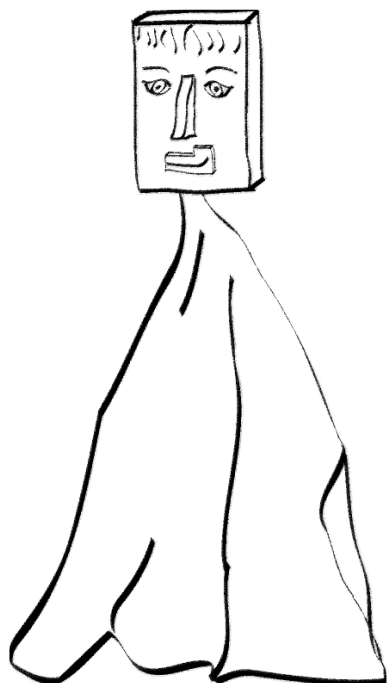
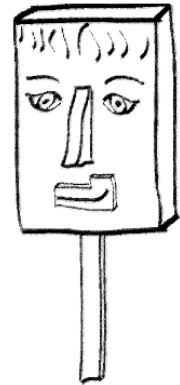
Play with two or three scraps of wood until you see a face.

Glue them together, making sure that the two sides you're gluing are both flat. Let dry.

Meanwhile, make eyes, mouth, teeth etc. from construction paper, and glue them on.

Glue handle at the back. Masking tape will hold it in place while the glue dries, or the teacher can staple it to add security to the glue.

Glue a corner of fabric onto the top of the handle, the puppet's neck, and secure it with masking tape. This becomes the puppet's body and clothing.



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