

Grade/Skill Level: Elementary

Duration: 1 full class period, one partial class period

Media: Textiles

Cross Subject Integration: Science: Animals and their habitats
Language Arts/ Writing: Storytelling
Reading: Animal Inspired Stories

Objective: Learn proper use of tools , Use imagination

Make an Animal Puppet

Steps to Make an Animal Puppet

DAY 1

1

Choose four 9" x 12" colored sheets for your animal.



2

Set one sheet to the side for the puppets backing, lay one flat vertically for the puppets front, and add texture to the other two 9" x 12" sheets with markers and/or crayons.



Supplies:

- 9" x 12" Smart-Fab pack in assorted colors
- Glue
- Google Eyes
- Scissors or a Rotary Cutter & Mat
- Crayons and/or markers



3

Place the two textured pieces vertically and cut slightly jagged horizontal into approximately 9" x 3" strips.

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- 4** Roughly cut fringe into strips leaving an inch at the top for gluing.
- 5** Draw a line of glue across the bottom of the piece, set aside for the front of the puppet.



- 6** Lay first strip along the glue.



- 7** Repeat by adding layers of fringe. Each strip will slightly overlap the top of the previous strip until you reach the top.

- 8** Add any desired animal features as a second layer including googly eyes (ears, nose, mouth, teeth, tongue).



- 9** Let dry completely.

DAY 2

- 10** Add a line of glue on the sides and the top, leaving the bottom edge open. Place second sheet directly on top.



- 11** Let dry completely.

✓ Show Off Your Puppet!

This is a great opportunity for students to use their imagination and create a puppet.



National Achievement Standards:

VA: Cr2.2.1a
VA: Cr1.1.3a

Demonstrate safe and proper procedures for using materials, tools, and equipment while making art.
Elaborate on an imaginative idea.