

RECYCLE-ME PUPPET DIRECTIONS

PEOPLE PUPPETS

YOU WILL NEED : Kid's imagination and creativity plus a variety of recyclables

Low temperature glue guns and glue sticks

Buttons, beads and bottle caps for eyes Movable eyes are optional



BODIES, HEADS AND FACES

Gallon and 1/2 gallon plastic bottles for bodies (example: milk or water)

Plastic orange juice containers for bodies

Quart size drink bottles



LIDS Use lids for faces Lids in a variety of colors to cut into shapes are perfect for facial features: mouths, noses, tongues, eye lashes and brows.



Bottle caps for under eye pieces, Buttons for eyes. Moveable eyes are optional

Repurposed wooden spoons to glue lids for faces

Paper cups to invert on ½ gallon bottle and attach faces

HAIR



Hair choices: Yarn, cardboard packaging, ribbon, straw, shredded paper used for gift bags brown paper grocery or lunch bags cut in strips, repurposed feather dusters, mops,

CLOTHES

Fabric scraps of all colors Sewing skill is not needed Cut to cover plastic container and glue

Socks of all colors and sizes Cut the foot area off Cut in half lengthwise

Stretch the leg part over the bottle and use the other 2 pieces for arms
Stuff with paper or cotton Fold over and glue with fold under

Foil tear away lids from yogurt...wash and fold into triangles to use as fish scales or parts of clothing

Net sacks from potatoes, onions, avocados etc. to use for the bottom layer of clothes before decorations.

Repurposed silk flowers, fabric, trim Repurposed doll clothes

GETTING STARTED:

Make a list of all people puppets you will need for the performance

Make a list of all props you will need

Have children choose recyclables to match their puppet choice

Design and create

Glue

Decorate

******PRE-PACKAGED PUPPET PROJECT**

If you need to save time, package supplies for one puppet in a paper bag that can be used for children to take their finished puppets home. Either give the children the animal of their choice or pre-assign puppets according to ability and what you need for the performance.

Children can choose the decorations to make the "Pre-Packaged" puppet a one of a kind creation!!