



How To Make a Sock Puppet

If your house is like mine, lurking in one of your cupboards is a huge mountain of odd socks (where do the others disappear to?). Here is a simple and fun project to make use of those socks.

You Will Need

one sock (clean!)
two buttons
pen
scrap of fabric
scissors
needle and cotton

Instructions

1. Take your sock and put it over your hand. Decide which way around you like it, and practise making the puppet's mouth by opening and closing your fingers (four fingers held together make the top of the mouth, while your thumb makes the bottom).
2. With your other hand, position one of the buttons as an eye and make a mark with a pen through the buttonholes.
3. Take the sock off of your hand, and being careful not to sew the sock together, sew the button on to the sock over the pen marks (an adult may need to do this bit).
4. Do the same with the other button. You will now have two eyes on your puppet.
5. Cut a tongue shape out of your scrap of fabric. Then, with the sock back on your hand, position it on your puppet. Keeping hold of the tongue with the hand in the sock, mark the position with a pen.
6. Sew the tongue on to the sock.
7. You will now have your very own sock puppet to play with. Why not personalise your puppet with some additional features; like adding a scarf, hat, hair, eyebrows or moustache!