

Puppets



Young children are highly imaginative and when given the time to play they immerse themselves in a world of fantasy and creative possibilities. The ordinary becomes extraordinary in the child's world of play. Simple objects, natural resources, recycled materials and fabrics of different colour and texture become partners in imaginative play as the young child invests them with additional qualities, personalities and adventures. In this series of Play School we respond to the young child's capacity to imagine by exploring the possibilities of puppets. We create puppets from diverse materials, use puppets as partners in play, as story tellers, dancers and singers. The experiences playfully explored on Play School offer a springboard for imagination and creativity for young children and their families.

Episode 1



PRESENTERS

Zindzi Okenyo and Andrew McFarlane

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

STORY

Let's Play House

Author: Emma Quay

Illustrator: Anna Walker

Publisher: Picture Corgi / Scholastic Australia

FILM

NT Footy Clinic

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Take a walk in the evening and listen to the night noises. Can you hear any birds? Can you hear any frogs or owls?
- Paint a rainbow picture with all the colours of the rainbow.
- Make cat and mouse sock puppets using baby socks, pipe cleaners and hair ties.

SONGS

Five Little Speckled Frogs

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

The Fish Fandango

Composer: Peter Dasent / Tamara Burnstock

Publisher: Control / Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Mixing Song

Composer: Peter Dasent / Arthur Baysting

Publisher: Origin

Ring a Ring

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Playing Ball

Composer: Edna G. Buttolph

Publisher: Willis Music Company

Green, Green

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Hallo, Hallo

Composer: Simon Hopkinson / Chris Harriott

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How to Make Jumpy Frog Hat Puppets

You will need:

- Cloth bucket hat
- Stickers
- Plastic lids
- Masking tape
- 4 x clothes pegs

Attach stickers to make a spotty frog.

Use masking tape to attach plastic bottle lids for googly eyes.

Attach 4 clothes pegs to base of hat for jumpy frog legs.

A blanket can make a great pond for your frog to swim in and some pillows can make a log for your frog to sit on.



How to Make Dancing Paper Dolls

You will need:

- Firm paper or light card
- Coloured marker
- Scissors
- Tape

Fold paper in half and half again.

Draw a simple figure on the top layer of the paper.

Cut around the outline.

Open out the folded paper to see your dancing paper dolls.

Create a second set of paper dolls and join together for a line dance or join in a ring for Ring a Ring a Rosie.

Episode 2



PRESENTERS

Emma Palmer and Andrew McFarlane

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

TOLD STORY

The Big Umbrella

(A story told by the Play School team)

FILM

Puppet Carnival

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Explore your bedroom with a torch after dark. See what shadows you can create.
- Invite your friends and family to try all sorts of different dances in a fun dancing show.
- Create your own puppet theatre. You could use a cardboard box placed on its long side with the back cut out. Add a piece of dowel inside and hang some fabric curtains. Add some other props and you are ready for your puppet show.

SONGS

Hey, Hey, Hey

Composer: Peter Dasent / Judith Keyzer

Publisher: Control / Origin / ABC Music Publishing

Dancing Face

Composer: Peter Dasent / Arthur Baysting

Publisher: Origin

Drip Drop

Composer: Robyn Mapleson / Peter Mapleson

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

I Had a Cat

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How to Make Delicious, Nutritious Funny Face Rolls

You will need:

- Chopping board
- Kitchen knife
- Whole meal roll
- Hummus
- Cherry tomatoes halved
- Celery sticks
- Carrot sticks
- Cucumber rounds
- Red and yellow capsicum slices
- Snow pea sprouts
- Lettuce

Cut the roll in half.

Spread with hummus.

Add your vegetables for the eyes, ears, nose, eyebrows, mouth and hair to make a funny face.



How to Make a Tissue Box Pig and Cat

You will need:

- Two empty rectangular tissue boxes
- Small boxes or plastic recycled containers
- Plastic lid
- Pipe cleaners
- Wool with bottle caps taped to each end
- Paper triangles
- Curly ribbon
- Stickers
- Tape

Use small box or plastic container for the head.

Attach with tape.

Add paper triangle ears, stickers for eyes, lid for nose and pipe cleaner whiskers.

Use more tape to attach the wool and bottle cap legs underneath the box.

Use curly ribbon for a curly tail.

Sit on a chair and carefully place your foot into the tissue box to make your puppet move – walk, dance or jump.

Episode 3



PRESENTERS

Zindzi Okenyo and Luke Carroll

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

STORY

Big

Author and Illustrator: Tom Hopgood

Publisher: Picture Corgi

FILM

Making a Garden Picture

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Go for a neighbourhood walk and find some stones, sticks and leaves to use to make a pattern.
- Collect some small objects and play a hiding game with a friend. Place the objects on a tray. Have a good look then cover with a cloth. Ask your friend to take one thing away. You have to guess what is missing. Swap turns.
- Who is the tallest person in your family? Use a tape measure to measure each person to find out who is tallest and who is shortest.

SONGS

Sometimes I'm Very Small

Composer: Ethel Hedley

Publisher: James Nisbet & Co Ltd

Jump, Jump, Jump

Composer: Lionel Morton

Publisher: Control

Wiggerly Woo

Composer: Don Spencer / Moira Cochrane

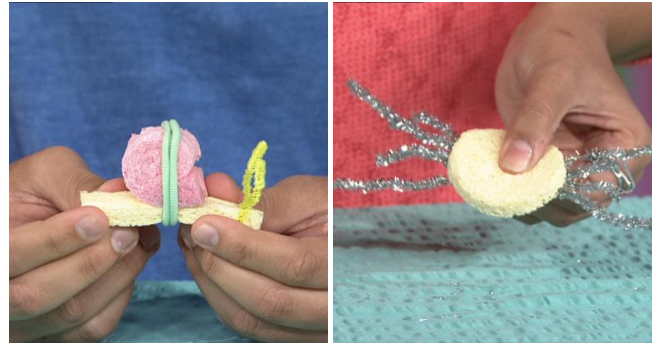
Publisher: Control

Friends All Together

Composer: Peter Dasent / Sophie Emtage

Publisher: Origin / Control

MAKE AND DO



How to Make Garden Fairy Puppets

You will need:

- Small wooden spoon
- Crepe paper
- Tape
- Pipe cleaners
- Bendy straws
- Coloured markers

Draw a face on to the spoon.

Attach a crepe paper skirt to the handle of the spoon using tape.

Twist a pipe cleaner around the handle to create arms and a small circle of sparkly pipe cleaner which can be a tiara for your fairy puppet.

Tape a bendy straw on to the back of the spoon to create a handle to hold your fairy while she walks and dances.

How to Make Puppet Creatures

You will need:

- Sponges in different colours
- Scissors
- 3 x hair elastics
- String
- Pipe cleaners
- Small piece of brightly coloured cellophane

Spider:

Twist four pipe cleaners together in the middle.

Cut a circle from the sponge and attach to the legs using a hair elastic.

Add a string to turn your spider into a puppet.

Snail:

Cut a small piece of sponge.

Cut a long thin piece of sponge and roll it into a spiral shape for the snail's house.

Attach the two pieces of sponge together with a hair elastic.

Add pipe cleaner antennae and a piece of string to pull the snail puppet slowly along.

Butterfly:

Twist the cellophane in the middle.

Secure with a hair elastic and add a piece of string to make your butterfly puppet fly.

Episode 4



PRESENTERS

Rachael Coopes and Alex Papps

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

STORY

Lunchtime

Author and Illustrator: Rebecca Cob
Publisher: Macmillan Children's Books

FILM

Making Puppets

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Make your own little pretend camera from small recycled box, plastic lid and some wool
- Use your rainbow paintings for flower and butterfly puppets
- Use a large bowl and soap suds to wash the socks. Rinse them out in clean water and hang them out in the sun to dry.

SONGS

Two Little Dickie Birds

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Down In The Valley

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Cleaning

Composer: M. Sullivan / C. Adams

Publisher: Unpublished

Boogie Woogie

Composer: Max Lambert

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

MAKE AND DO



How to Make Colour Drop Paintings

You will need:

- Sheet of dampened absorbent paper
- 3 x Edicol dyes – red blue and yellow
- 3 x Small jars
- 3 x Plastic eye droppers

Mix 1/8 teaspoon of edicol dye with 1/3 cup warm water in a small jar.

Add one eye dropper to each jar of paint.

Place dampened paper onto flat surface close to your paints.

Use the eye dropper to draw up some paint then squeeze the end of the eye dropper to release the colour drops onto the paper... drip, drip, drip.

Try different colours and watch the colours mix.

Leave the paper flat to dry in the sun.



How to Make Rainbow Birds

You will need:

- Colour drop painting (see left)
- Scissors
- Strip of crepe paper
- Narrow ribbon
- Hole punch

Fold your colour drop painting in half.

Cut a semi-circular shape leaving a point at one end.

Punch two holes near the folded edge.

Thread crepe paper through one hole for the bird's wings and the narrow ribbon through the other hole to create your rainbow bird puppet.

Episode 5



PRESENTERS

Emma Palmer and Alex Papps

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

TOLD STORY

Little Red Riding Hood's Surprise

(A story told by the Play School team)

FILM

Car Mechanics

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Visit a pet shop to see the colourful fish swimming in the fish tank. What colours can you see?
- Visit a library and look for a book of fairy tales that you can borrow
- Use a bucket of water and a small brush to paint the fence or path.

SONGS

All The Fish

Composer: Beatrice Landeck

Publisher: J. Albert and Son

The Sea And Me

Composer: Angela Moore / Penny Biggins

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

The Wheels On The Bus

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Joanie Works With One Hammer

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Open, Shut Them

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Farmer In The Dell

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Let's Go Walking

Composer: Satis Coleman / Alice Thorn

Publisher: The Willis Music Co

MAKE AND DO



How to Make a School of Colourful Fish

You will need:

- Scraps of coloured paper
- Cellophane
- Foil
- Old birthday cards
- Tape
- Cylinder
- Scissors

Twist cellophane to create a fish shape, fold foil to create a fish shape, cut fish shapes from birthday cards.

Attach a piece of wool to each fish using tape and tape all of the fish on to the cardboard cylinder to create a school of fish puppet.



How to Make People Puppets

You will need:

- 2 x Small cardboard cylinder
- Fabric scraps
- Scissors
- Coloured marker
- Tissue paper
- Tape
- Cotton wool
- Wool
- 2 x small flat sticks
- 2 x Pegs

Ask someone to help you to cut a hole through the middle of the cylinder from the front to the back.

Wrap fabric around cylinder and attach with tape be careful not to cover the hole.

Attach two small pieces of card for feet.

Make a head for the puppet by scrunching some tissue paper and then covering with another small piece of tissue paper.

Use a marker to draw on a face and attach wool or cotton wool for hair using tape.

Push a clothes peg through the hole in the puppet to make the arms.

Attach the stick to the back of the puppet.