



PUPPETS, BOATS, AND BUTTERFLIES



3D BUTTERFLY COLLAGE: In this activity you will collect objects to make into a 3D collage

1. Look for small objects to fill the provided **sandwich bag**. Smooth, soft, or flexible objects will work best. You can challenge yourself to find objects for all the colors in the rainbow! Can you find something red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple to place in your bag?
2. After filling your bag separate the items into two halves and secure the center by twisting the provided **pipe cleaner** around the center. Bend the two pipe cleaner ends to create antennas.

FOR CAREGIVERS: This project provides an opportunity to talk with your child(ren) about texture, color, and size. Ask your child(ren) to identify the colors of the objects they find. Also ask them to describe how each object feels; is it hard or soft, cool or warm? Will the objects they find fit into the bag? How many can fit into the bag?



Example is filled with tissue paper and fabric. Leaves, socks, napkins, magazine pages, and mail are other options that would work well.



BOAT CARGO CHALLENGE: Use the provided tinfoil to make a boat, then add small items to the boat and see how much weight it can hold before sinking.

INCLUDED MATERIALS:

- Tinfoil

MATERIALS NOT INCLUDED:

- Scissors
- Coins or other small object to place in the finished

1. Using the provided piece of tinfoil shape it into a boat. It may be helpful to use a bowl or other container to shape the tinfoil around.
2. Collect small objects like coins or pebbles. Before placing objects into the boat place them directly in the water to see if they sink or float! For example, a penny will sink if not placed in the boat.
3. Place your boat in a sink, tub, bowl, bin, or other body of water. How much weight can it hold before sinking? Write down your prediction of how many objects your boat can carry.

What other objects can you use to make a boat? Try this challenge with a bowl or plastic container!

FOR CAREGIVERS: This activity encourages your child(ren) to make predictions about sinking and floating. It is also models buoyancy.

MAKE A PAPER PUPPET:

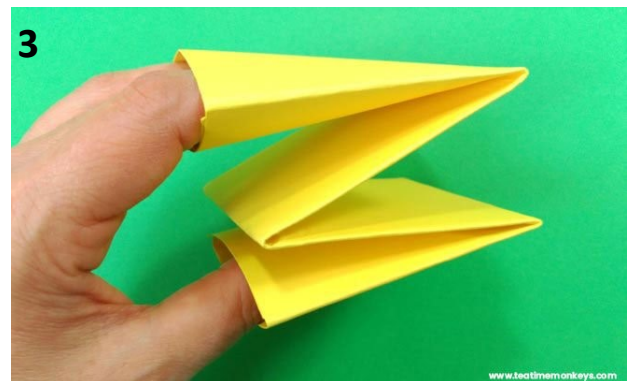
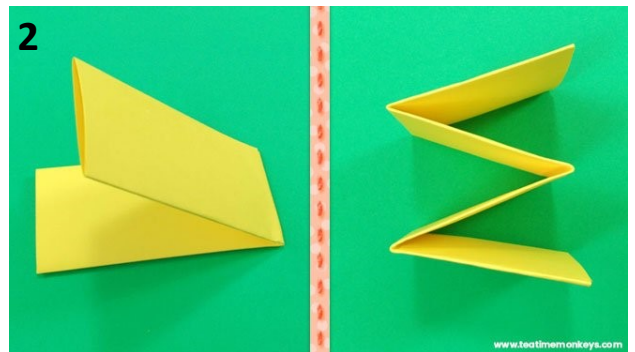
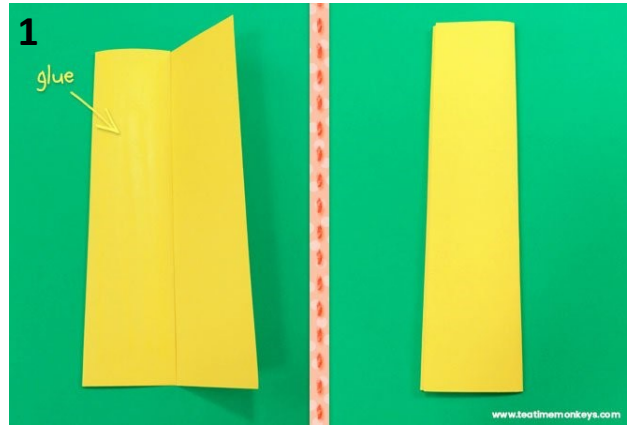
INCLUDED MATERIALS:

- Construction paper
- Googly eyes & other decorations
- Print-out eyes, horns, & noses

MATERIALS NOT INCLUDED:

- Scissors
- Tape or glue
- Markers, crayons, or pencils

1. To make the body fold the provided sheet of paper length-ways into thirds. You should now have a flat tube shape.
2. Take the tube and fold it in half. Then fold each half back on to itself to make a zig-zag or sideways “m” or “w” shape.
3. Place your fingers into the holes and you should be able to open and close the mouth of your puppet.
4. Decorate your puppet! There is enough material to make 2 puppets!



Finished puppets by PuppetNerd.com

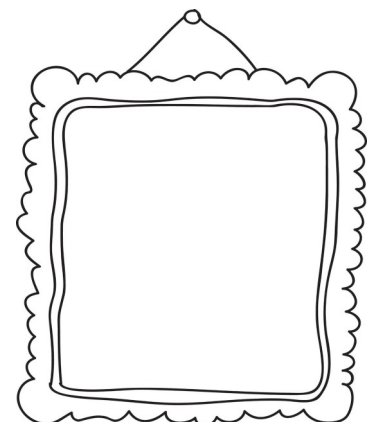
FOR CAREGIVERS: This craft encourages fine motor-skills, creativity, and storytelling. Before your child starts have them set a goal by asking what they plan to make. Maybe it will be their favorite animal, book character, or it could be something from their imagination!

STORYTELLING WITH YOUR PAPER PUPPET: After you make your puppet use it to tell a story or put on a puppet show. You can use the provided sheet of paper to draw a background for your show, or draw a picture about your puppet.

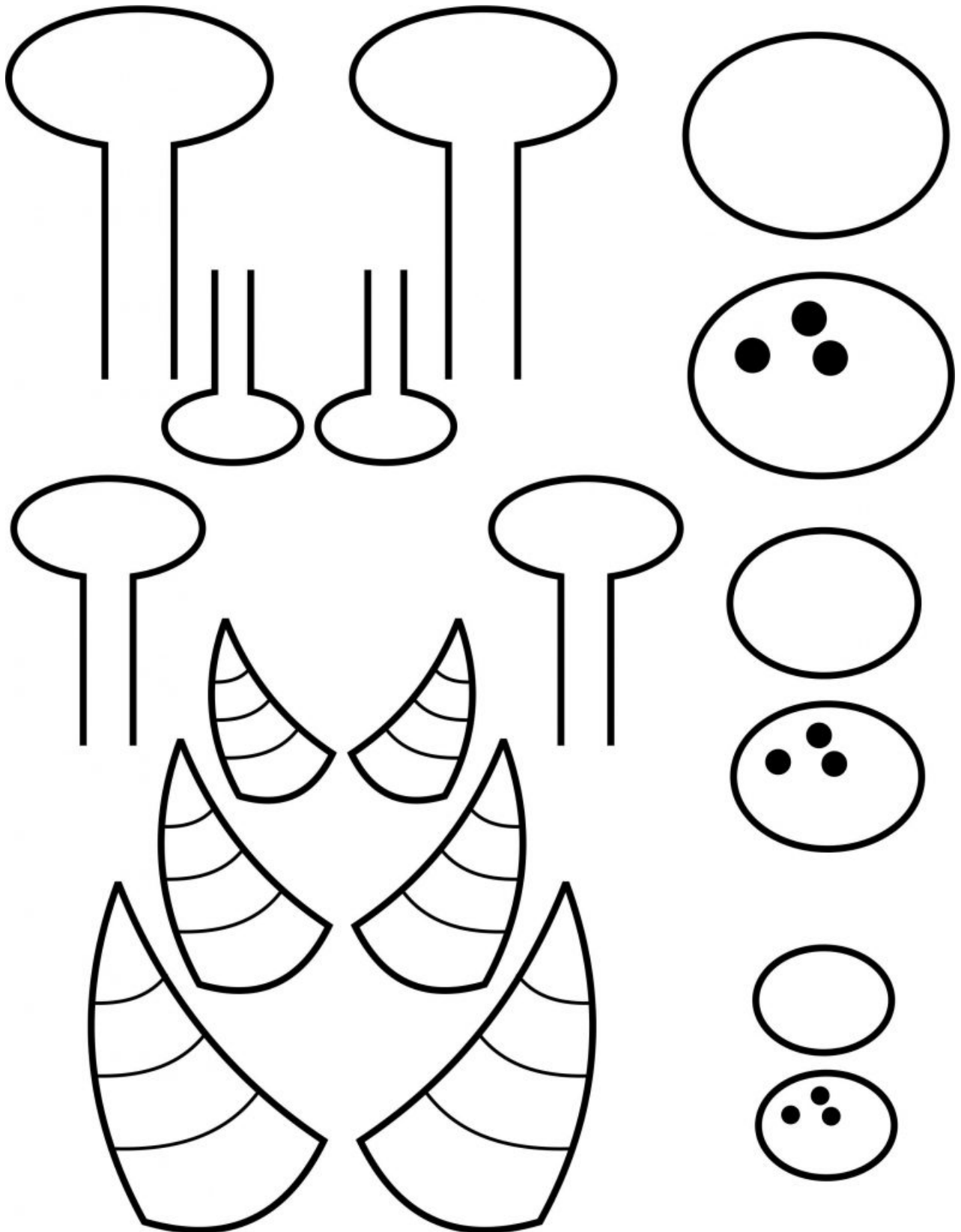
A few questions to help your creative juices get flowing:

- What is your puppet's name?
- Where does your puppet live?
- What is your puppet doing?
- Who/what does your puppet love?
- What makes your puppet special?
- How does your puppet make new friends?

Draw or write your answers in the provided frame!



Puppet Antennas, Horns, & Noses



Puppet Eyes

