

Rubberglove finger puppets

Purchase

- Rubber gloves (small size)
- Bag of corrugated cardboard scraps (art/craft shop)

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- Scissors
- Felt pens

Around the house

- Scraps of felt, raffia, fabric from other projects
- Baking or tracing paper

Story box

Recycled materials

- Large cereal box

Basic kit

- Scissors
- Craft glue
- Colouring pencils/felt pens
- Paint
- Paint brush or roller
- Ream of A4 card 200 gsm (available from the paper section of office supply stores and used for many activities throughout magazine)

Around the house

- Bamboo skewers

Wild things

Moishe (the stripey one)**Extra kit**

- Sewing machine (you can handsew the fur hoods and horns but it is much easier with a sewing machine)

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- White/black cotton
- Sharp scissors
- Pins
- Tape measure
- Iron/ironing board

Around the house

- Old headband (if not, buy one at a dollar store)

Purchase

- Maroon long-sleeve shirt/jumper (cheap one from Best & Less, Big W etc.)
- 3.5m yellow satin blanket binding (this is for size 7 shirt, you will need more or less depending on shirt size)
- 30cm of black fur fabric
- White felt (one large sheet)
- Polyfill stuffing

Bernard (the black bull)**Basic kit**

- Craft glue
- White/black cotton
- Sharp scissors
- Pins
- Tape measure

Extra kit

- Sewing machine (you can handsew the fur hoods and horns but it is much easier with a sewing machine.)

Around the house

- Old headband (if not, buy one at a dollar store)

Purchase

- Dark grey long-sleeve shirt/jumper (Cheap one from Best & Less, Big W etc)
- 30cm of black fur fabric
- White felt (one large sheet)
- Black felt (one large sheet)
- Polyfill stuffing

Emil (the chicken one)

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- White cotton
- Sharp scissors
- Pins
- Tape measure

Extra kit

- Sewing machine (you can handsew the fur hoods and horns but it is much easier with a sewing machine)

Purchase

- White long-sleeve shirt/jumper (Cheap one from Best & Less, Big W etc)
- 1m white felt
- 0.7m grey felt
- 0.5m white cotton fabric

Doorway puppet theatre

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- Sharp scissors
- Iron, ironing board
- Pins
- Tape measure

Purchase

- 1.5 m of fabric
- 0.6m of fabric (different colour/pattern)
- 10mm wide ribbon (99c roll)
- Toggle
- 1.6m cord
- Plastic hooks — with command strips or hold up with blu-tak
- 1.2m Austrian ring tape (found in the curtain/blind section of craft stores)

Book bags

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- Paper scalpel or Stanley knife
- Sharp scissors
- Iron/ironing board
- Pins
- Paper
- Pencil

Purchase

- Hardcover book (from op shop, Lifeline BookFest or bargain bin at bookstore)
- Fabric (matching with colours of book cover) — size required depends on the size of your book cover but one or two fat quarters will do most books
- Handbag handles (purchase at craft stores, craft shows or online)
- Ribbon (99c reel) OR 1m of webbing

Paper bag puppets

Recycled materials

- Paper shopping bags
- Pink bottle tops
- Small cardboard box

Purchase

- Small and large paper bags (if you can't find recycled ones)
- Pink pipe cleaners
- Roll of brown paper
- Paddle pop sticks
- Raffia
- Pre-mixed paints (pink, yellow, red brown, grey) — you can mix your own but for easy results with small kids it's worth the expense

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- Permanent marker
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Pencil

Around the house

- Washing up sponge

Grow a Secret Garden

Basic kit

- Colouring pencils
- Scissors
- Paper scalpel & cutting mat
- Glue stick
- Craft glue
- Ruler
- Butter knife

Recycled materials

- Plastic tray that comes under packaged fruit or vegetables

Purchase

- Seeds (green manure or sprout mixes are a good choice)
- Poster size piece of cardboard
- Seed-raising mix

Around the house

- Spray bottle

Spoonfuls of sugar

Purchase

- Plastic spoons
- Bag of chocolate melts
- Packet of Mini M&Ms or other lollies

Around the house

- Heat proof bowls
- Teaspoon
- Thick chopping board or box to rest spoons on

Rags to riches

Basic kit

- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Paper scalpel & cutting mat
- Pins
- Craft glue
- Brown/blue cotton
- Sewing needle

Purchase

- Thick cardboard (600 gsm)
- Remnants or fat quarters of brown fabric, calico, blue fabric, blue organza
- Sequins string
- Thin ribbon (99c roll)

Jack and the beanstalk

Purchase

- Bonsai wire (soft, flexible wire from gardening department of hardware store)

Around the house

- Pliers
- Wooden spoon

Basic kit

- Craft glue
- A4 card

Gingerbread house

Pantry

- Self-raising flour
- Plain flour
- Ground ginger
- Ground cinnamon
- Brown sugar
- Golden syrup
- Butter
- Eggs
- Icing sugar
- Lollies to decorate

Recycled materials

- Mini milk carton

Basic kit

- Scissors
- Masking tape

Around the house

- Baking paper
- Baking tray
- Rolling pin or jar
- Zip lock bag
- Food processor
- Knife
- Whisk

- Jug
- Bowl
- Electric mixer

Pulling strings

Recycled materials

- Toilet roll
- 2 orange bottle tops

Basic kit

- A4 card (one sheet)
- Scissors
- Paint brush
- Clear sticky tape
- Masking tape
- Craft glue
- Glue stick

Around the house

- Tweezers
- Fishing line
- Paddle pop stick (tongue depressor size is better)

Purchase

- Orange/brown paint
- 1m of cord in orange/brown

Roll models

Recycled materials

- Toilet rolls

Basic kit

- Paint
- Felt pens

Around the house

- Scraps of felt, materials, wool

A very hungry feast

Fridge/pantry

- Bread
- Lebanese cucumber
- Tomato
- Cheese
- Currants
- Fruit — strawberry, apple, pear, orange (from the book or your favourites)

- Small treats — mini cupcake, mini chocolate cake (from the book or your favourites)

Around the house

- Plates — rectangular serving platters
- Knife and cutting board
- Hard plastic straw

Bookmaking

Purchase

- A4 full page labels
- A4 card

Basic kit

- Ruler
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Butter knife
- Glue stick
- Eraser
- Colouring pencils etc for writing and illustrating your book

Collage like Carle

Purchase

- Watercolour paper
- Watercolour paints

Basic kit

- Paint brush
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Blu-tak

Around the house

- Glad wrap
- Baking paper
- Bubble wrap
- Plastic cup

Story starters

Basic kit

- A4 card
- Paint brush
- PVA school glue

Around the house

- Sandpaper
- Hand saw

Purchase

- 30mm square pine
- Mod Podge

Character builders

Basic kit

- A4 card
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Colouring equipment

A Wonka World

Basic kit

- Camera
- Printer & paper

Purchase

- Assortment of lollies

Make mad hats

Hatinator

Basic kit

- Compass
- Ruler
- Craft glue
- Scissors

Around the house

- Bulldog clip
- Stapler

Recycled materials

- Cereal box
- Magazines
- Fruit/vegetable netting bag

Archer hat

Basic kit

- Scissors
- Craft glue

Recycled materials

- Newspaper (small tabloid size like The Courier Mail)
- Envelopes with patterns inside

Pillbox hat

Basic kit

- Scissors
- Craft glue
- Sticky tape

Recycled materials

- Newspaper (large broadsheet size like The Australian)
- Magazines

Glamorous sun hat

Basic kit

- Scissors
- Craft glue
- Sticky tape
- Tape measure
- Compass
- Glue stick

Recycled materials

- Magazines

Purchase

- Roll of brown paper

Around the house

- Balloon
- Paper bowl

Military hat

Basic kit

- Craft glue

Recycled materials

- Newspaper (large broadsheet size like The Australian)
- Magazines