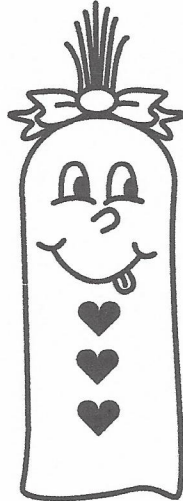


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MAKE YOUR OWN SINGING FINGER PUPPET

Cut the fingers off an old glove (such as a cotton gardening glove).

If you have no glove, you can simply draw a face on your finger with a water-based marking pen. You can also stitch two pieces of felt or other dense fabric together in the shape of a finger. Turn the stitched pieces inside out. Draw, stitch or glue the eyes, nose, mouth and other facial traits on the finger puppet.



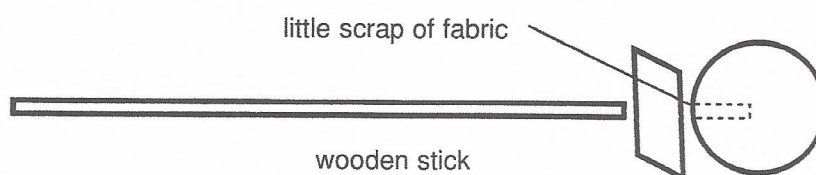
MAKE YOUR OWN SINGING POP-UP PUPPET

Materials Needed:

- a dowel or chop stick
- a small styrofoam ball for the head
- a 1-pound coffee can
- a colorful sock (to pull over the puppet head and down over the top of the can)
- some felt or a thick fabric to wrap around the outside of the can
- some yarn or other goodies to decorate the puppet
- masking tape, rubber band, pins and fabric glue to hold it all together.

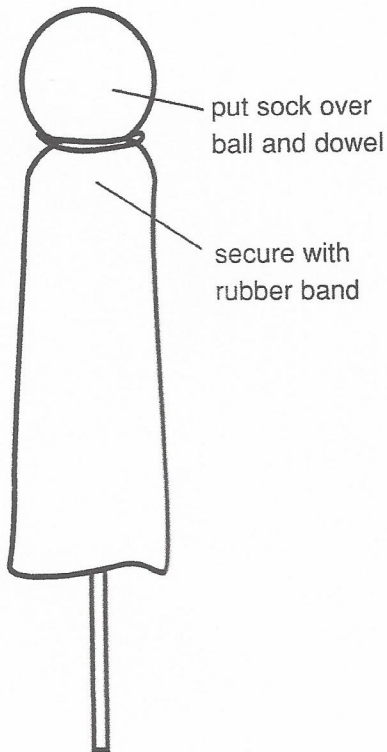
Directions:

1. Remove the top and bottom of your empty can and cover any sharp edges with thick masking or duct tape.
2. Insert the stick into the styrofoam ball to make a hole. Remove it. Use fabric glue and reinforce the stick's end with a tiny scrap of fabric. Glue and push this fabric into the ball.

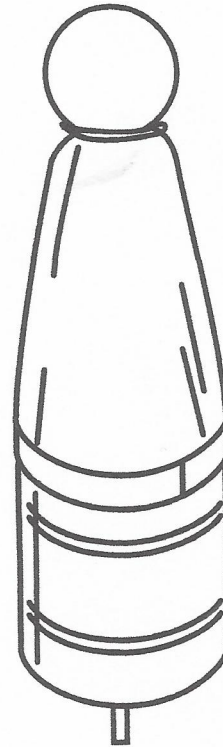


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3. Pull the stretch sock over the styrofoam ball, positioning the toe section over the part that will become the puppet's head. Secure the puppet's head at the neck with a tight rubber band or string.



4. Insert the other end of the dowel into the can. Stretch the rest of the sock over the rim of the can. Tape the bottom edge of the sock to the can after adjusting it so that it will stand on a table without sagging or falling over.



5. Cut a rectangular piece of felt to fit over the outside of the can. Glue it in place over the sock. Secure it with rubber bands until it dries. Now use your imagination and decorate your puppet.

