



Make your own Shadow Puppet Theatre

Make your own shadow puppet theatre at home so you can create shadows to tell stories to your friends and family!



You will need:

- 1 cardboard box / shoe box
- 1 sheet of tissue / tracing paper large enough to cover one side of your box
- Sticky tape
- Scissors or a craft knife
- Non-permanent marker pen
- Bedside lamp or torch.
- A table

How to make:

- 1. Cut a rectangle shape out of back panel out of your box.
- 2. For the front of your theatre, draw a smaller square / rectangle in the front panel within the bigger square / rectangle. If you like, you can make this decorative with arches, pillars or curtain shapes.
- 3. On the inside of the box, tape a piece of tissue / tracing paper to cover the open shape you have just cut out.
- 4. Place the theatre on the edge of a table.
- 5. Position a lamp or torch behind, shining directly onto the paper screen, lighting it up from within.
- 6. Move your shadow puppets between the light and paper screen, as close to the screen as possible so your shadows are clear.
- 7. Have fun creating shadow stories for your friends and family!