Finger Puppet

(1). This kit contains enough clay to make three finger puppets. I suggest drawing out some ideas before getting started.

* Some potential puppets } the family pet, Someone in the family, an angel, Lego man, a mermaid, a Snake handler, a chef ... etc.

(2.) I suggest laying out newspaper or using a cutting board over your work space.

(3.) In the kit are three "sausage" shaped clay pieces - to start use a pencil to create a hole at the bottom of one of those clay pieces. Make the hole a bit bigger by using the surface of work space - rolling the clay back and forth using the pencil to widen the opening enough to put your finger inside. You want to opening to be slightly bigger than your finger because the clay will shrink slightly as it dries.

(4.) Pinch out any arms - hair - hats - beards - etc at this point. Use a pencil and/or tooth pick to add finer details. Look around the kitchen (with a parent) see if there might be some other tools to use to decorate puppet.

(5.) put aside for a day or two to dry. Use paint, marker, color pencil to add color

(6) Assemble Stage - put together puppet play! Maybe add some other toys into the play - or add some faces with pen to your fingertips.

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Finger Puppets in photos



Plan your puppets

Clay for three puppets. Sketch a pet, family member, angel, Lego man, mermaid, or your own idea.



Cover the table

Lay newspaper over the work space, or use a cutting board.



Form the opening

Push a pencil into the bottom and roll the clay to widen it. Leave room for shrinking as it dries.



Pinch and decorate

Pinch out arms, hair, hats and beards. Add finer details with a pencil or toothpick.



Dry and add color

Let the puppets dry for a day or two, then use paint, marker or colored pencil.



Stage a puppet play

Assemble a stage, add other toys to the scene, or draw faces on your fingertips.

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