




Make your own Shadow Puppet Theatre

Make your own shadow puppet theatre at home so your shadow puppets can perform to your friends and family!



- What story will you tell?



You will need:

- 1 cardboard box / shoe box
- 1 sheet of tissue / tracing paper as large as the box
- Non-permanent pens or craft materials and a glue stick
- Scissors or a craft knife 
- Sticky tape
- A strong lamp or torch
- A table
- Your shadow puppet

How to make:

1. Draw then cut a rectangle shape out of the back panel of your box. (This is where the light will shine through and for you to move your puppets) 
2. For the front of your theatre, draw then cut a smaller square / rectangle in the front panel of the box. 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 at the front of the theatre.
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!

Watch out for this sign  - it means adult help is needed for this step

Tweet us with an image of your creations today: @TheCCT #AdventuresInChurches