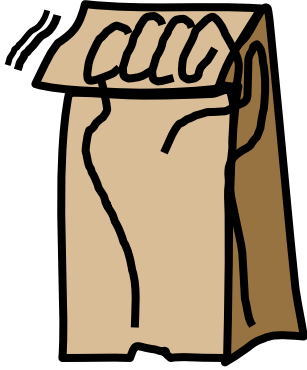


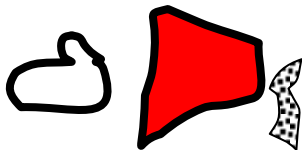
Hoopoe Teaching-Stories™

The Old Woman Paper Bag Puppet



With bag over hand, move the puppet's mouth.

Materials you will need: lunch-size paper bags, colored pencils, crayons, markers, glue, paste spreader, colored construction paper or cardstock, tape, scissors, stapler, newsprint for desks or tables. **Optional:** tissue paper, wrapping paper, old shopping bags, pipe cleaners, foil, beads, buttons, fabric scraps, yarn for hair, plastic eyes, etc.

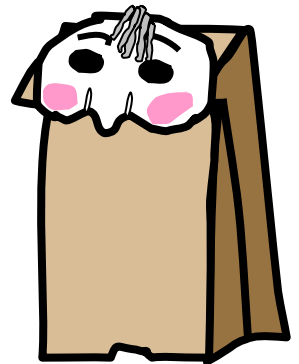
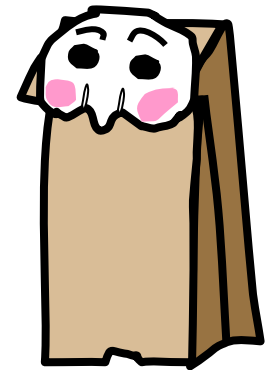


1. With a piece of cardstock or construction paper about the same size as the flap of the bag, draw and color the old woman's top part of her face (eyes, cheeks, and nose). Or, glue on plastic eyes, colored paper, etc. After the drawing dries, cut out the face and glue on the flap of the bag.

2. Cut some short pieces of yarn, or gray construction paper, and glue on the "hair."

3. Cut out the shape of the woman's headdress from cardstock leaving the bottom part open. Decorate by gluing on cutout "flowers" or pieces of colorful fabric. Then, glue or tape this piece to the flap over the face of the puppet, making sure the hair is not covered.

4. Cut out hands and sleeves, and tape or glue together. Decorate sleeve with markers or gluing on fabric pieces, beads, colored paper, and so on. Then tape or staple the arms to the side of the bag. (Note: cardstock works best for the arms.)



5. Finish by drawing a mouth below the flap, adding a red tongue, gluing on pieces of colorful fabric, buttons, colored paper, or drawing the woman's dress with markers.

Allow the puppets to dry completely before use. Sometimes an extra bit of glue, tape or stapling needs to be applied for stabilization. HAVE FUN!

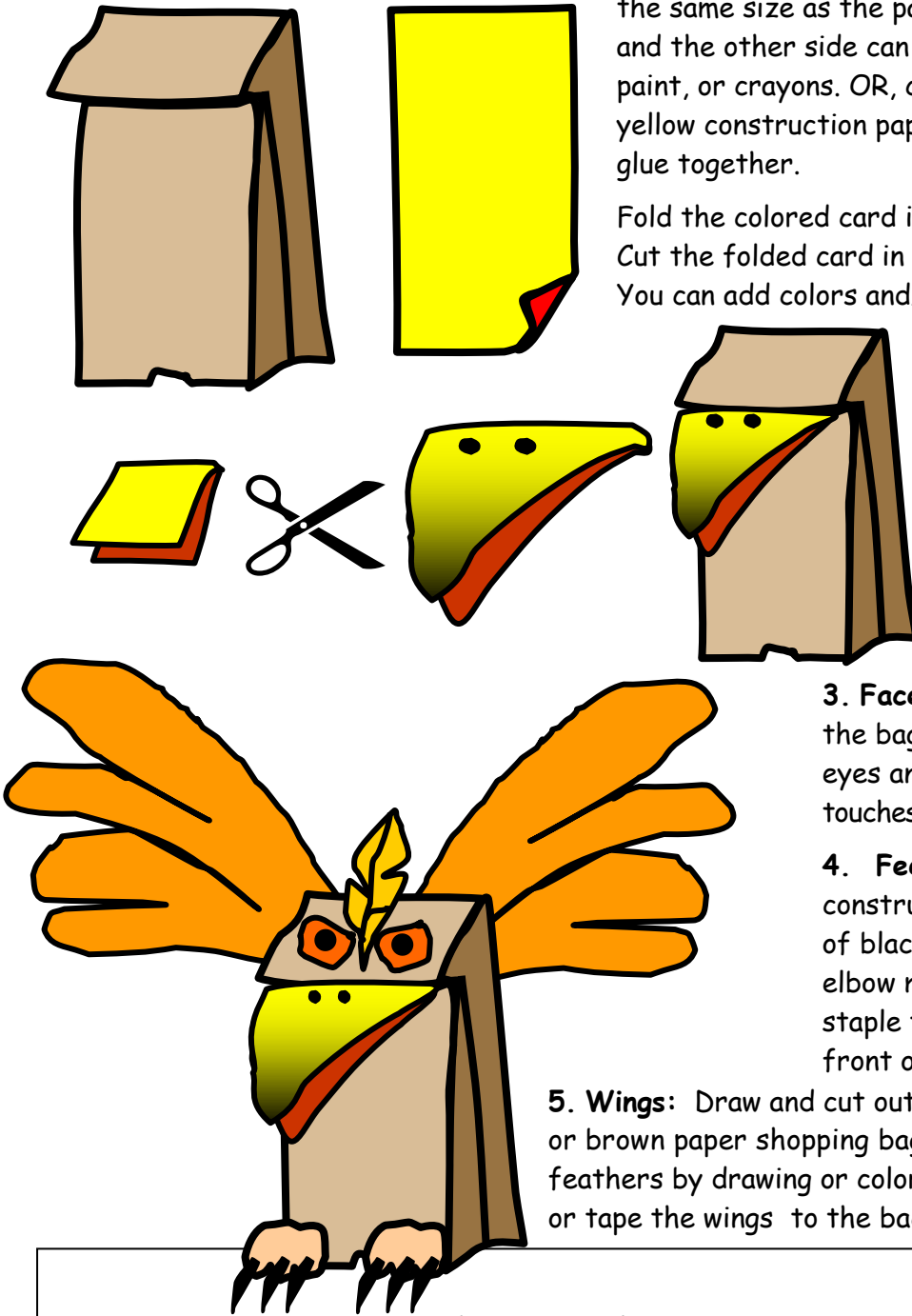


For the EAGLE:

1. The Beak: Using cardstock, cut out a piece about the same size as the paper bag. Color one side yellow and the other side can be colored red using markers, paint, or crayons. OR, cut out two pieces, one from yellow construction paper and the other from red, and glue together.

Fold the colored card in half with the yellow side up. Cut the folded card in the shape of an eagle's beak. You can add colors and/or glue dots on as nostrils.

2. Glue or tape the "beak" into the fold of the bag.



3. Face: Draw eyes on the top flap of the bag, or cut out construction paper eyes and glue in place. Add extra touches such as real or created feathers.

4. Feet and claws: Cut out feet from construction paper and glue on pieces of black construction paper or small elbow macaroni for claws. Glue or staple the feet to the bottom of the front of the bag.

5. Wings: Draw and cut out wings using construction paper or brown paper shopping bags. Make them look like feathers by drawing or coloring or using pinking shears. Glue or tape the wings to the back of the bag.

Optional method: You can also glue or tape on some real feathers if available.

Puppet Theater Ideas

- Place a tablecloth or sheet over a table and students sit under table and extend their puppets out from under the cloth to do their dialogues.
- Cut a rectangular window in a large cardboard box (such as an appliance box) on the front, and a "stage door" in the back. Have 1-2 students go inside box and perform their skits through the window.
- Place chairs facing each other and have students sit and perform their skits to each other. Have these puppets available in a drama center or storage bin for use whenever wanted.

Some Ideas for Additional Multicultural Paper Bag Puppets



