

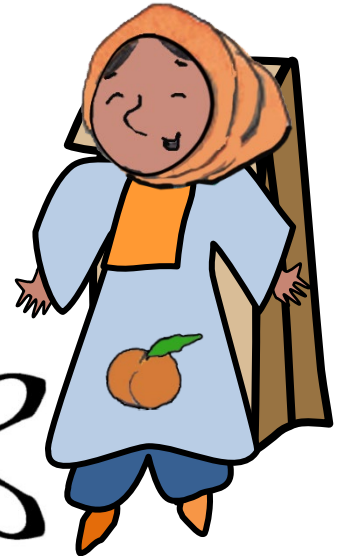
# Hoopoe Teaching-Stories™

## PEACHES Paper Bag Puppets

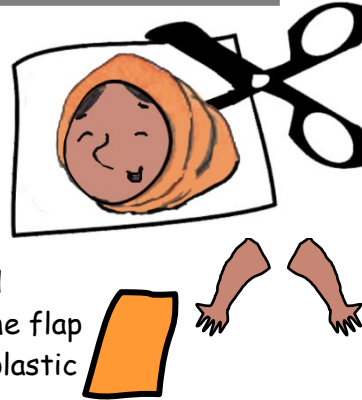


With bag over hand, move the puppet's mouth.

**Materials you will need:** lunch-size paper bags, colored pencils, crayons, markers, glue, paste spreader, colored construction paper or cardstock, tape, scissors, stapler, paperclips, 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.



Woman puppet. See next page for ideas for other puppets for the story.



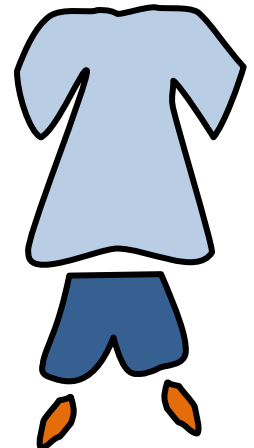
1. **Easy Method:** Reproduce the book's illustrations of some of the family members' faces including hair, scarves and caps in a size large enough to cover the bottom flap of the bag. Glue this piece to the bag's bottom flap and allow to dry. **Or**, draw the head parts (faces, beards, head coverings, hair, etc.) on colored paper about the size of the flap and glue all in place. **Optional:** as embellishments, glue on plastic eyes, buttons, or fabric for head and neck scarves.

2. Cut out other shapes for the clothes, making the dresses & tunics roughly the same width as the paper bag. Draw and cut out trousers, scarves, caps, and shoes from construction paper. Decorate the garments as desired by adding strips of contrasting colored paper, fabric, rick-rack, lace, wrapping paper, decals, beads, buttons, and the like.

3. Draw and cut out another pieces of construction paper for arms and hands and glue on the back of the clothing sleeves.

4. Glue clothing pieces together making sure garment tops are over the trousers, the scarves are on top of the tunics, and the shoes glued under the trouser legs.

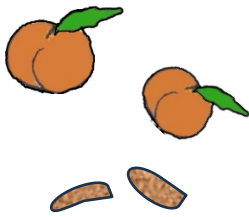
Once the body piece is dry, glue, tape or staple the entire clothing piece to the front of the bag (make sure you do not glue the bag shut).



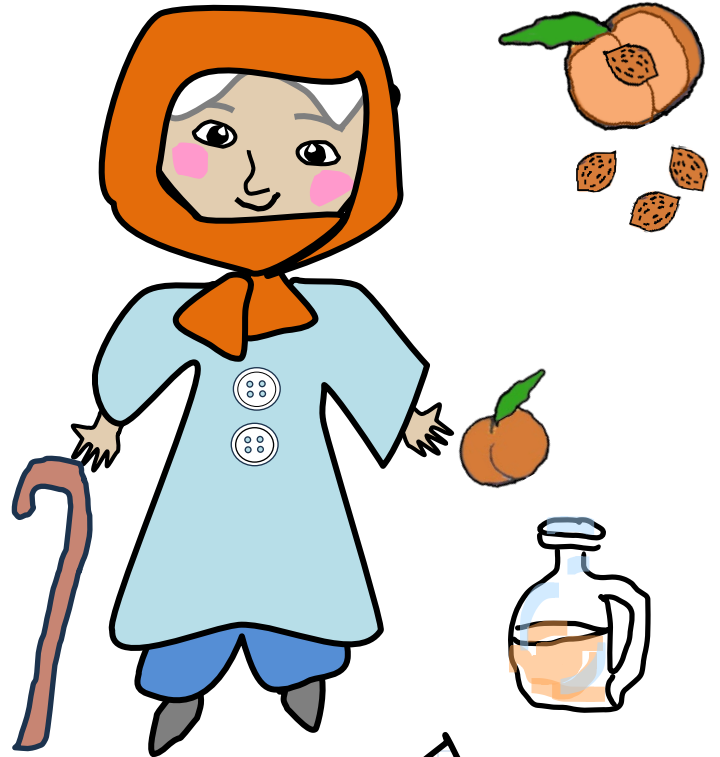
### Puppet Theater Ideas

- Place a tablecloth or sheet over a table and children 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 children go inside box and perform their skits through the window.
- Place chairs facing each other and have children sit and perform their skits to each other. Have these puppets available in a drama center or storage bin for use whenever wanted.

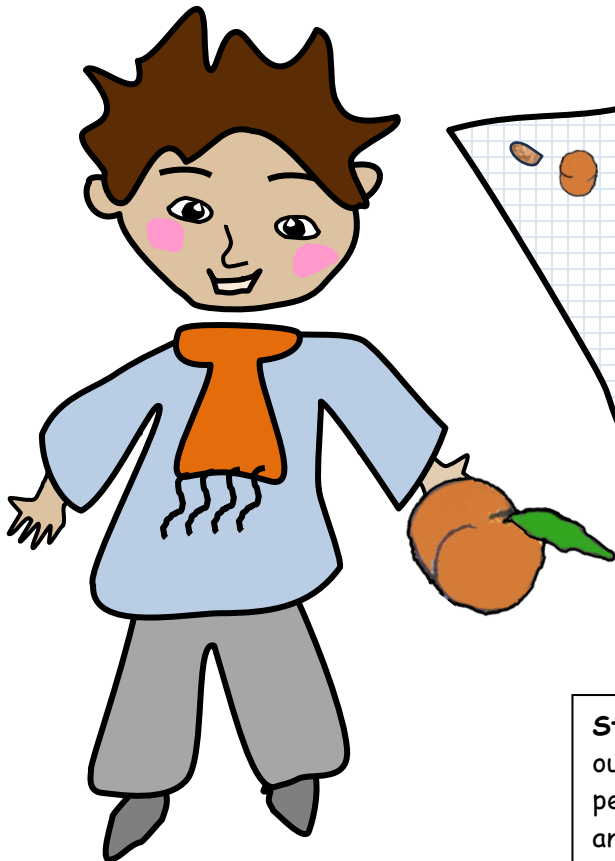
Draw and cut out other props, such as peaches (whole, dried and cut), peach kernels, baskets and pots, syrup machines, blankets, etc. These props can be glued, taped or paperclipped into place as needed for play. Allow the puppets to dry completely before use. Sometimes an extra bit of glue, tape or stapling needs to be applied for stabilization. **HAVE FUN!**



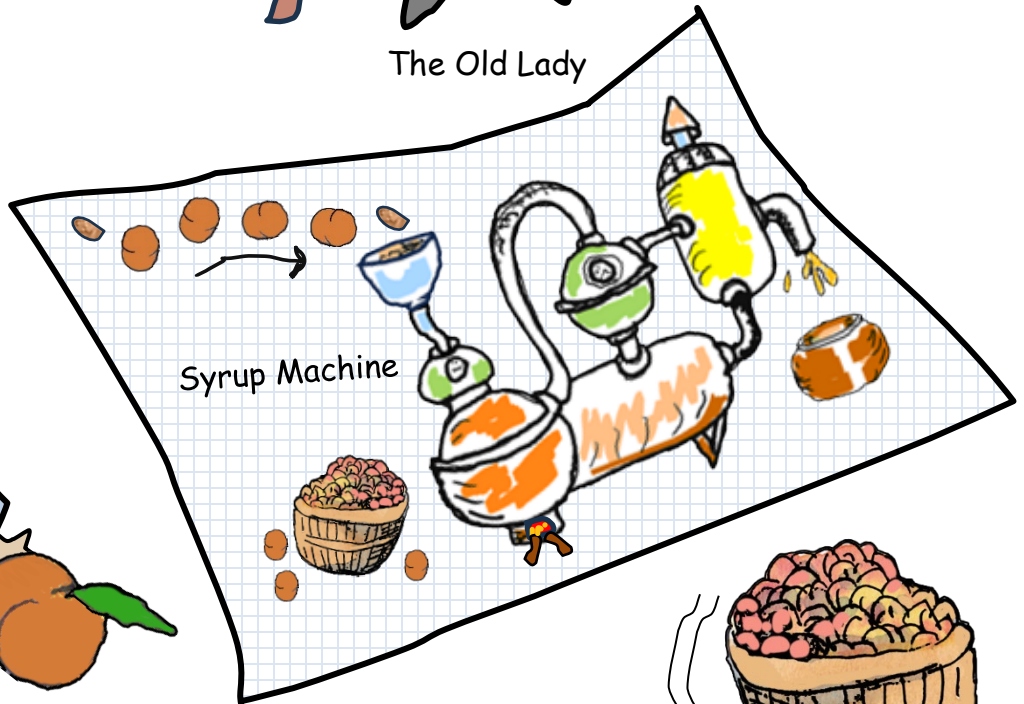
A Man



The Old Lady



The Small Boy



**Stick Puppets:** Draw, decorate, and cut out other characters and props. Tape pencils or sticks to the back of cut-outs and shake to make them move.

