

Shadow Theatre Box

check list:

1. cardboard box
2. scissors
3. white tracing paper
4. clear tape
5. black construction paper
6. black marker
7. hole punch
8. pencil
9. modelling clay
10. flashlight

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Find an empty cardboard box. Cut off one corner so it looks like the 2nd photo.

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This corner will be the shadow theatre.

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Cut a square in the front of the box, making sure to leave space around the edges. This square hole is the theatre's screen.

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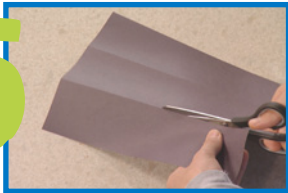


Put the box, screen side down, on top of white tracing paper. Leave enough paper on each side of the screen so you can fold it up the sides. Tape the tracing paper onto each side of the screen.



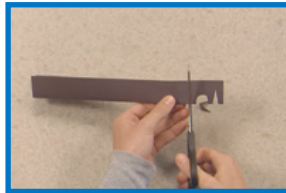
Here is an example of what the shadow theatre should look like so far:

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To make a border for the theatre, fold a piece of black construction paper into four equal parts. Cut along the folded lines so you have four strips of paper.

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Fold one strip of paper in half lengthwise, then cut little designs (triangles, squares, circles, etc.) all along the folded side.

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When you unfold the paper, the border will be filled with neat designs. Do the same to the remaining black strips.



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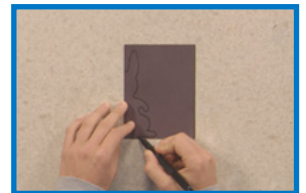
Put the border on the edge of the tracing paper and trace the straight line. Cut along the line, then glue the black border on top of the tracing paper. Make four borders in total.

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Glue the borders onto the edges of the shadow theatre.

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Let's create some characters! Fold a small piece of black construction paper in half. Draw a character; like a rabbit, along the fold. You only need to draw half the animal, half the nose, and one eye. Cut out the rabbit.

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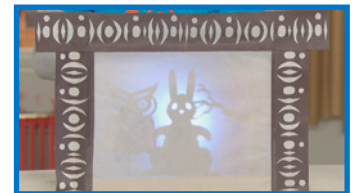
Use a hole punch to make the rabbit's eyes, and scissors to cut out the nose. Unfold the rabbit and attach it to a pencil with tape. Stick the pointy end of the pencil into a piece of modelling clay.

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Make more neat characters, like a spooky tree and an owl.

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Put the characters in the theatre and shine the flashlight behind them.

When each character speaks, shine the flashlight behind them so your audience knows who's talking. Break a leg!

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