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Hand Puppets: How To Make And Use Them (Dover Craft Books)



Synopsis

Introduce children to the fascinating world of puppetry with this unique book by former teacher-librarian and veteran puppeteer Laura Ross. Step-by-step instructions and clear diagrams help beginners create captivating paper-bag puppets, rod puppets for shadow plays, and papier-mâché puppets with their own cloth costumes. Large, easy-to-read type and full-size traceable patterns show would-be puppeteers how to master basic skills: dressing and handling puppets, setting up a stage, and writing and producing an original show. In addition, newcomers to the craft will learn how to manipulate characters in three puppet plays: Rumpelstiltskin, Punch and Judy, and A Visit from Outer Space (an original play by the author). There are also suggestions for acting out the story of "Peter and the Wolf" with puppets while listening to the delightful symphonic fairy tale by Prokofiev. A brief introduction outlining the history of puppetry, a section on materials and where to get them, and step-by-step directions for tracing round out this entertaining how-to book.

Book Information

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Grade Level: 4 - 7

Customer Reviews

This is a very good book with different level of creativity and difficulty. Very good explanations. There are patterns to copy, which I have not tried them yet ; also entire stories with directions and

all. This is a very good for starters and intermediate ones.

This book was as described but with less information than I expected; its usefulness was a good introduction to puppetry.

The book on Hand Puppets is very useful for helping children use their creativity. Great ideas!

I thought that this book was helpful to the research that I was doing. It had a lot of helpful hints on how to construct hand puppets (although it did go into other types of puppetry) I also liked the fact that on is was so inexpensive. I would recommend this book to anyone who wanted to learn how to start their puppet collection, or to any beginning puppeteers. This is a good book for younger children because it is easy to understand.

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