

# CoolitArt

## Push Pin Puppets



Push Pin Puppets are a really fun and easy project, if you wanted you could create multiple puppets and a theatre out of a cardboard box, if you attach straws or ice lolly sticks to their arms and legs you could put on a show for your friends and family!

### Tools and Materials:

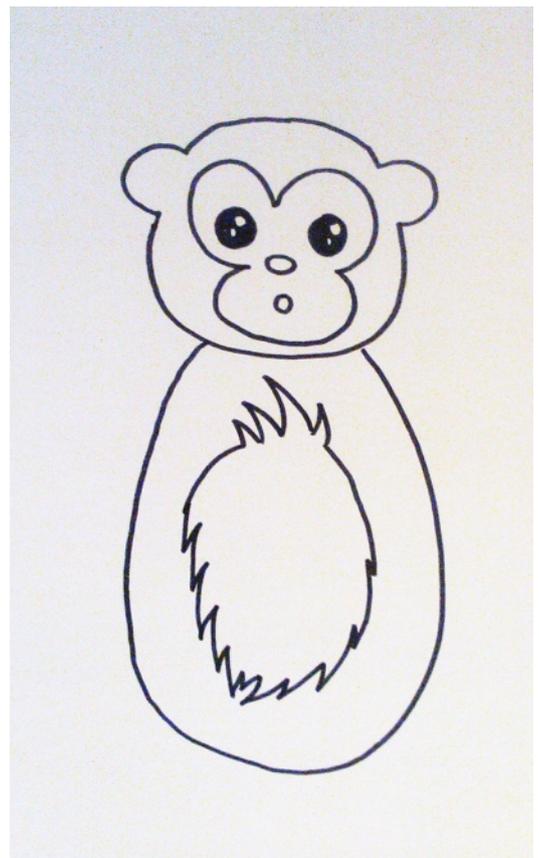
- Cereal Box
- Push Pins/Paper Fasteners/Split Pins
- Scissors
- Felt tips to colour your puppet in



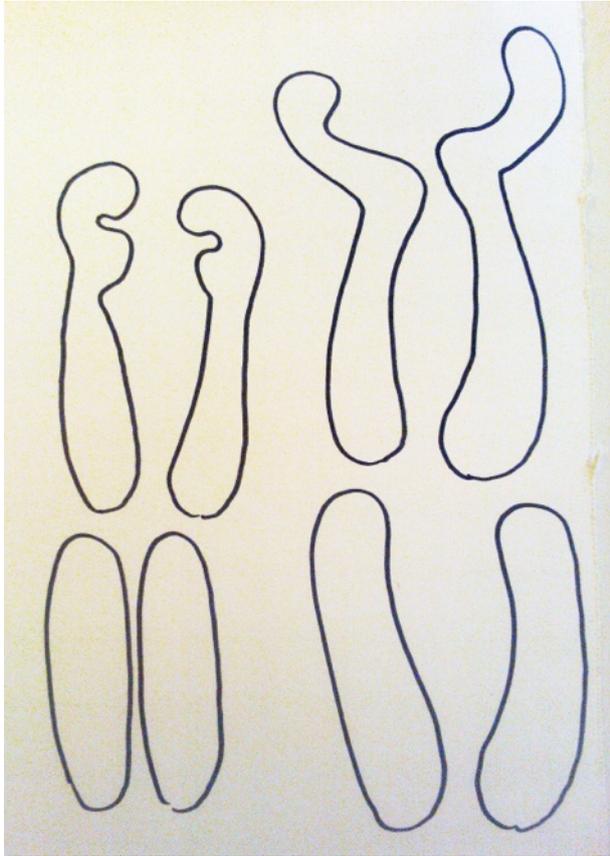
To get started you need to cut along the edge of your cereal box to open it so you have a flat surface to draw on like so



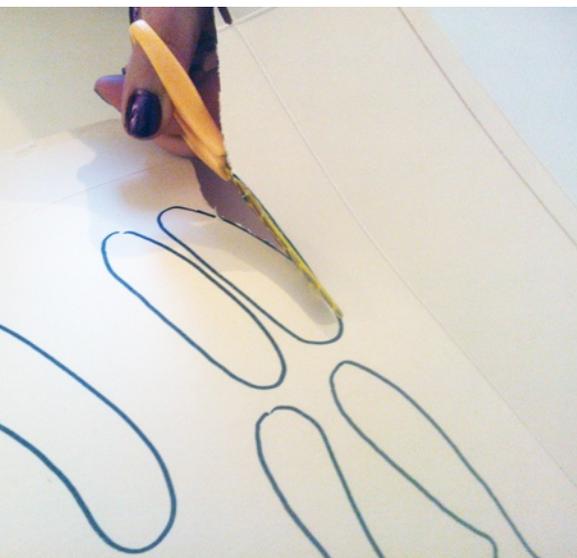
Then draw your puppets' body and head, that is all you need to draw for the moment as the legs and arms are separate so they can move



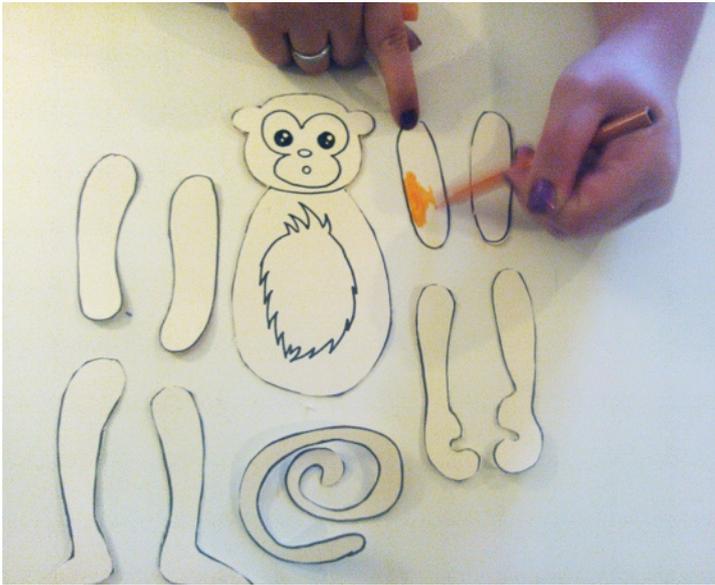
To draw the arms and legs you need to draw 4 sausage shapes, 2 smaller and 2 larger for the tops of the arms and legs, then draw the arms and legs from the elbows/knees down, you should end up with something like this. We did a tail too for a monkey!



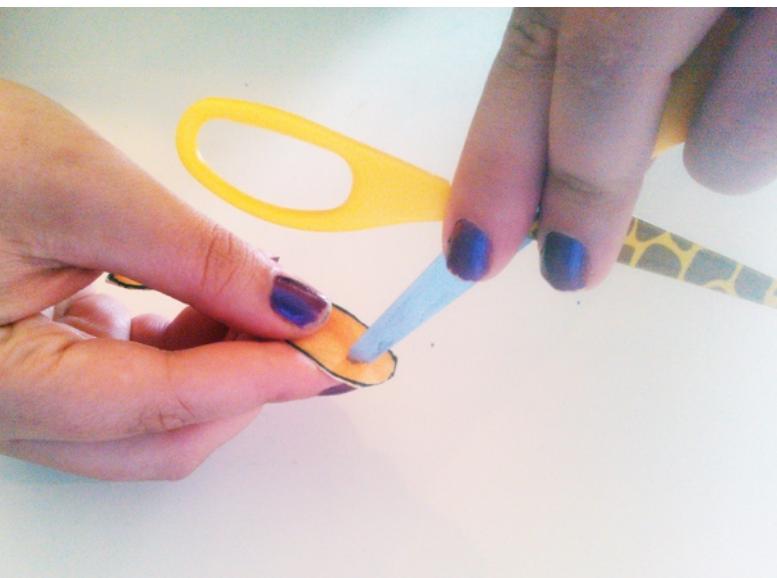
Then start cutting all the bits out so you can see how they look next to each other



Start to colour your puppet in, although we are using felt tips you could use paint and even glitter!



Once your puppet is fully coloured in you can start to make the holes for the push pins! Look at the bits and decide where to put the holes, 4 on the body, 2 each end of the “sausages” and 1 on the lower limb joints. To do this you might need your parents help, using an open blade of the scissors try and pierce a hole through the cardboard and then wiggle the scissors to make the hole large enough. You can also do this with a sharp pencil pushing through into a lump of blue tack underneath.



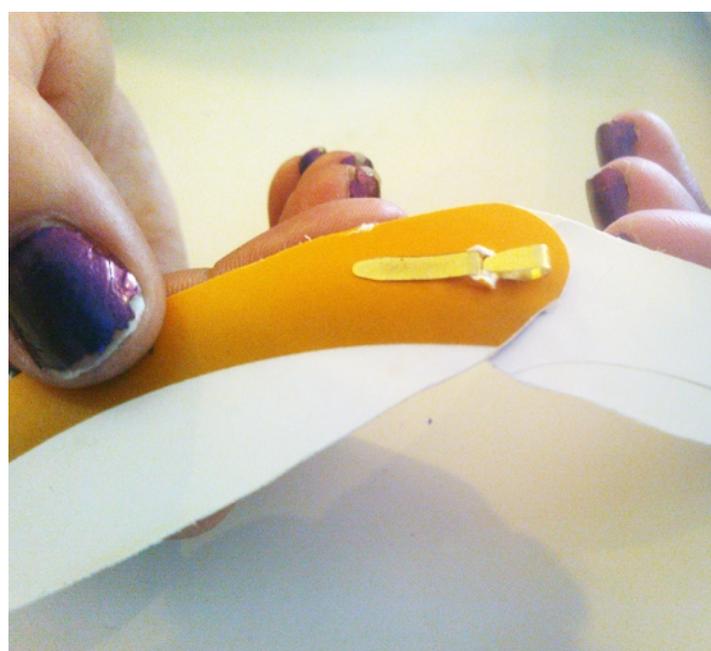
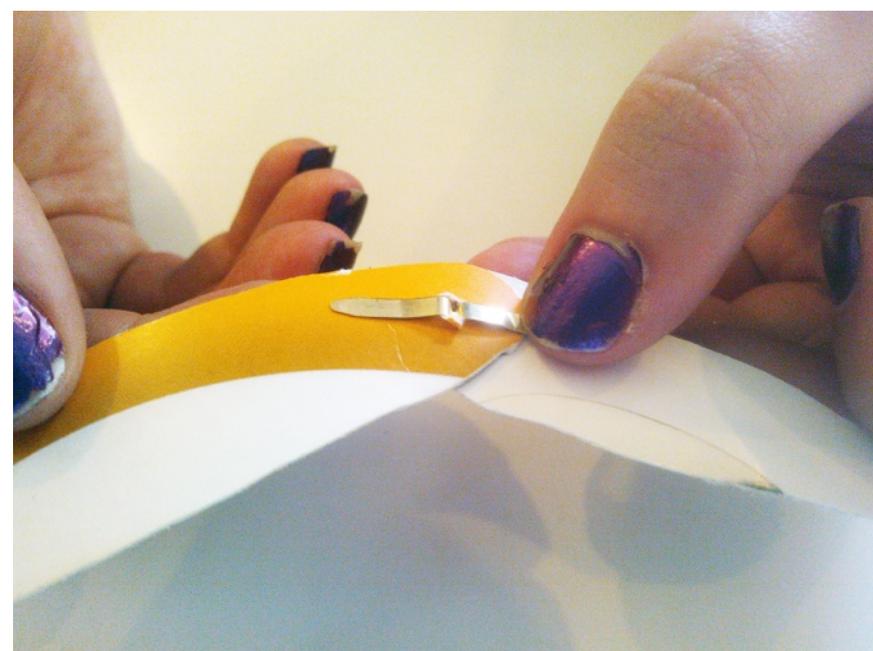
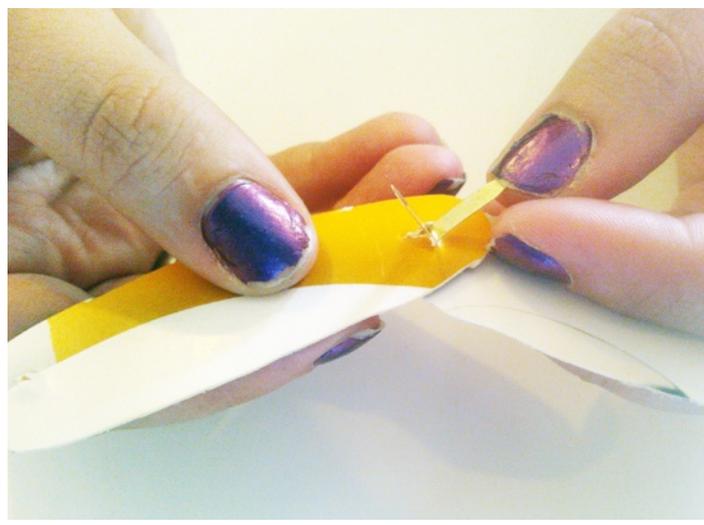
Your puppet should end up looking like this before the push pins



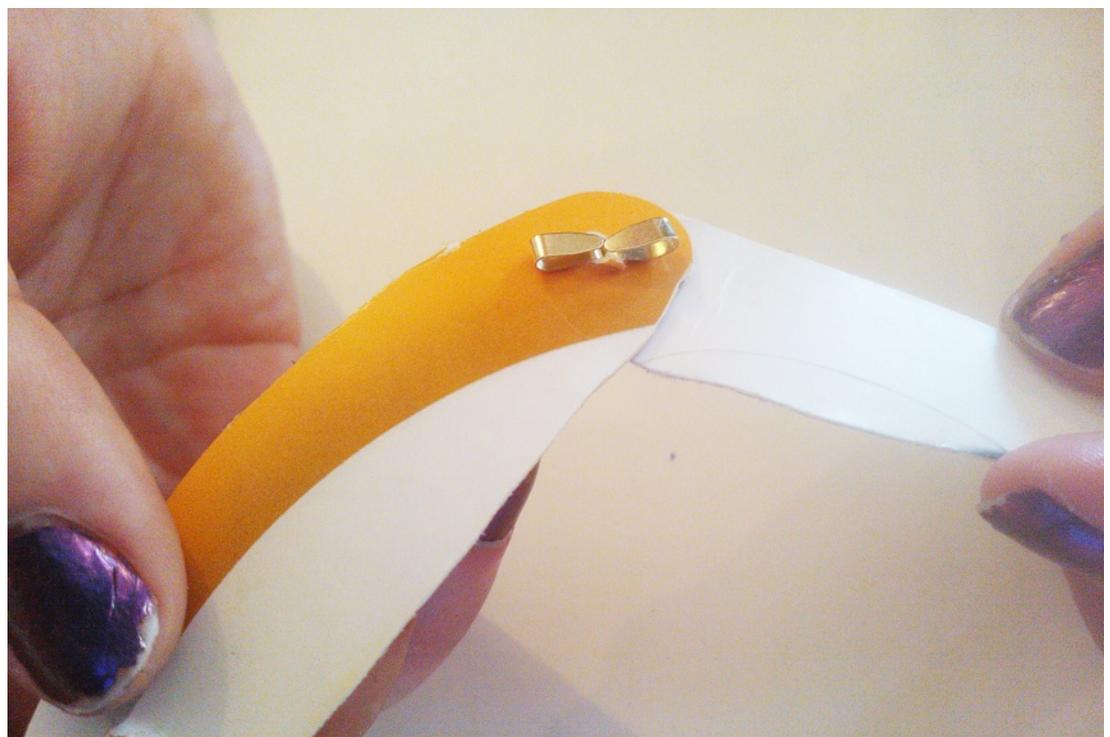
Now time for the pins, we used these pins but any brand is fine as long as they have a split.



All you need to do is put the pin in, split the legs of it fold them flat then fold them back in on themselves like so



We fold them back in on each other as it looks tidier but also it makes them less sharp which is good



Now you have your very own Push Pin Puppet!



You don't just have to make a monkey, you could make anything, check out some of our other ones for inspiration!

