

# Make a funky Bird Puppet

with everyday recycled materials

This fun creative activity is aimed at 4-8 yr olds with an adult helper.

It takes about 30 mins to make your bird



Lucy Jackson from Creative Workshops shows you how to make a cool bird from everyday recycled materials.

Lucy is an artist who makes sculptures, mosaics and animated films. She is co-founder of Creative Workshops an organisation that takes arts and crafts workshops to schools and events across Europe. [www.childrensworkshops.net](http://www.childrensworkshops.net)

## Materials/tools needed:

- A plastic bottle, ideally a see-through one
- Coloured packaging, wrapping paper, cellophane, plastic, netting from potato/orange bag or scraps of fabric
- Thin card – cereal box for example
- Coloured paper/card
- Felt-tips
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Something sticky – sellotape, double-sided tape, or strong glue like UHU or glue gun (you need an adult to help with this)

## Instructions

**1** Clean your plastic bottle and take the label off.



**2** Tear or cut up coloured paper, packaging and poke it into the bottle. You may need to use a stick or a paint brush to do this.

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**3** Cut 2 wings, 2 head shapes (If you are making an owl you only need 1 head shape) and 2 tail shapes from card.

There isn't a template for this as size and shape will vary depending on the size of your bottle and the type of bird you want to make.



**4** Stick one wing on each side of the bottle – use glue gun, glue or tape.

**5** Stick a head shape either side of the neck of the bottle and staple or glue the beak end together. If you are making an owl stick your head on the front of the bottle.



**6** Stick a tail on each side of the bottom of the bottle and staple or glue the tip of the tail together. For the owl you don't need legs.

**7** Make legs and feet from fabric or card and stick to the bottom of the bottle.



**8** Cut a beak and eyes from card and paper and stick them on.



Say hello to your funky bird. You could make him some friends and have a puppet show!



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