

My Pet Dinosaur Activity Guide

Great Arizona Puppet Theater

These instructions will guide you through making individual pop-up dinosaur puppets. This is a great activity to enjoy before or after seeing “My Pet Dinosaur” with The Great Arizona Puppet Theater! This activity is designed for all ages, however, younger children will need assistance with using a hot glue gun and cutting.

Materials for one puppet:

Printed patterns

1 large paper cup, about 16 oz

1 small paper cup like a small dixie cup

2 large squares of felt or any thick fabric that won't fray

1 large piece of construction paper or 2 regular sized pieces

1 straw

Crayons / Markers

Tape

Pencil / Pens

Low-temp glue gun and glue

Optional: Googly eyes, fun foam, fabric glue, white glue



Instructions:

1. Cut out all patterns and keep them set aside
2. Cut a large hole out of the bottom of the large cup
3. Using the patterns, trace and cut out the large and small cup covers, including the circles, using construction paper (you can mix and match colors any way!)
4. Tape long construction paper covers around the large and small cups. Tape the small circle to the bottom of the small cup, leaving the large circle to glue later.
5. Decorate your dinosaur's face with a mouth, teeth, and a nose. Decorate your large cup (make it look like an egg if you want!)
6. Mark a spot in the center of the small cup beneath the nose/mouth, this is where you'll attach your straw. Punch a hole in that spot using a pencil or pen.
7. Using the pattern, trace and cut the eyes using construction paper or fun foam.
8. Glue eye cut-out and googly eyes to the edge of the small cup using hot glue (ask an adult to help you)

9. Push a straw into the hole in the small cup, use a little hot glue to hold it in place (ask an adult to help you)
10. Use white or hot glue to attach the large circle onto the open part of the small cup to cover the top of the cup (ask an adult to help you)
11. Using the fabric patterns, trace and cut your large triangle and the dinosaur arms out of felt
12. Use fabric glue or hot glue to attach the top of the fabric (small edge) to the small cup, going around your straw. Use the same glue to close the fabric edges together, leaving the bottom open.
13. Use fabric glue or hot glue to secure the open part of fabric to the inside of the large cup, stuffing it as needed. You want the straw to come just to the bottom of your cup.
14. Use fabric glue or hot glue to attach the arms to your dinosaur.
15. Play with your new pet dinosaur!



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