



## HAND PUPPETS

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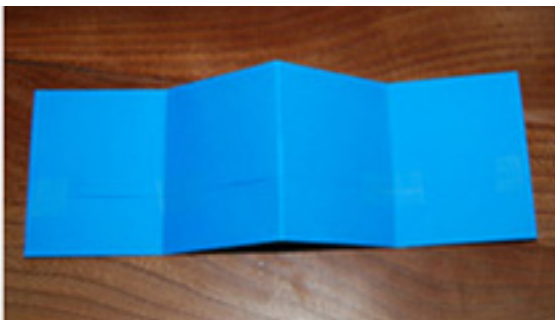


This past weekend was cold and wet, which is

probably the worst weather combo ever! It made for a weekend spent mostly inside, which meant my husband and I were forced to be creative to keep our boys entertained.

Making hand puppets turned out to be a brilliant idea, because we spent about an hour immersed in our craft project, and then the boys spent the rest of the afternoon playing with their new 'toys'. They were totally thrilled!

The puppets are easy to make, and there's really no rhyme or reason to them so you can't go wrong. (You can see we were inventive - that hippo looks like a cross between a walrus and a blue dog!) They can be as simple, or as detailed as you make them. All you need is some colored construction paper, a glue stick and scissors.



wise. Tape the top flap down so paper remains in the folded position (like photo).

Take this paper and fold it in half, and then fold each side back toward the center crease (like photo).

This is essentially the basic mouth of the puppet. You put your hands into the two openings at the ends. From this, you can build onto it. Give your puppet eyes, a tongue, a beak, etc., and be creative!

Fun!

-Courtney

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