

Pirate model

Age: 8-11 Group size: 10

Duration: 2 sessions x 40 mins



Preparation time: 10 mins

Resources

- Paper strips: 2cms x 30cms brown; 1.5cms x 30cms flesh coloured;
- Pva glue

Preparation

In the first session the head, legs and body are made. Each body consists of 10 brown strips and each leg 4 brown strips.



Another brown strip will be needed to make the arms. The head is made using 10 strips of paper.

Activity

The pirate is made from paper coils. Show the children how to roll up strips of paper, gluing them end to end. It might be a good idea to practice the technique first. The finished coils are pushed into cylindrical shapes from the centre outwards. For the head a very small piece is pushed out of the middle of the coil to make the nose. The legs should be of equal length - 3 cms and the body is about 6cms long. When the legs, head and body have been made, coat the outside of them in a thin layer of pva. The glue prevents the shapes from getting longer or shorter when being modelled. Leave them to dry.



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- Paper strips: 2cms x 30cms brown
- 2cms squares of the same colour used for the head
- Pva glue
- Glue gun (optional)
- Black paper strips 3 x 4cms
- Black paper 7 cms x 4cms and 1cms x 3cms
- Scissors
- Pirate hat, hand, sword and oval templates
- Wobbly eyes
- Pencil
- Black and red felt tip pens
- Silver card
- White paint
- Fine brushes
- Scraps of newspaper

Session 2

Preparation

Make sure there is one brown strip for each pirate. Make oval templates for the bottom of the boots (1cms x 3cms), a basic hand shape (2 cms square), sword and a pirate hat shape (7cms x 4cms).

Activity

Colour the widest part of the legs black – boots. Cut oval shapes out of black paper and stick them to the bottom of the boots. Squeeze the top of the legs (the thinnest bit) and glue the coil flat on each one.

Ball up a scrap of newspaper and glue it to the inside of the body shape. This is to help the legs stick on securely. Stick the legs into the base of the body and leave to dry.



Make the arms. Cut the strip of brown paper in half. Wrap one half around the barrel of the pencil in a spiral rather than a coil. Slip the spiral off the end of the pencil and glue



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the end of the paper so that it doesn't unravel, squeeze the other end of the spiral flat and glue the edges of it together. The flat bit will attach to the body. Repeat for the other arm.

Cut out hands and stick them onto the widest end of each arm. Cut out a sword shape and stick it onto one of the hands.



Make the head. Stick on the wobbly eyes. Take 2 pieces of black paper. Cut one piece in half. Cut fringes into all 3 strips.



Stick the widest one onto the top of the head with the hair going down the back of the head. Stick the other 2 to the sides of the head.



Take another piece of black paper, make it rounded at the top then cut in a fringe for the beard. Draw a mouth in the middle of the rounded bit. Cut 2 little v slits out to make a moustache. Curl the hair and beard. Stick the beard onto the head, below the nose.

Stick the arms onto the pirate body. Stick the head on top.

Finally make the hat. Cut out 2 hat shapes and glue them together at each end. Paint a skull and crossed swords on the front. Squeeze the ends of the hat to make a hollow and place on top of the pirate's head.

