

# Animal Hand Puppet

## Materials...

- Furry felt various colours
- Needle
- Wool for stitching
- Glue
- Googly eyes (optional)

## Process...

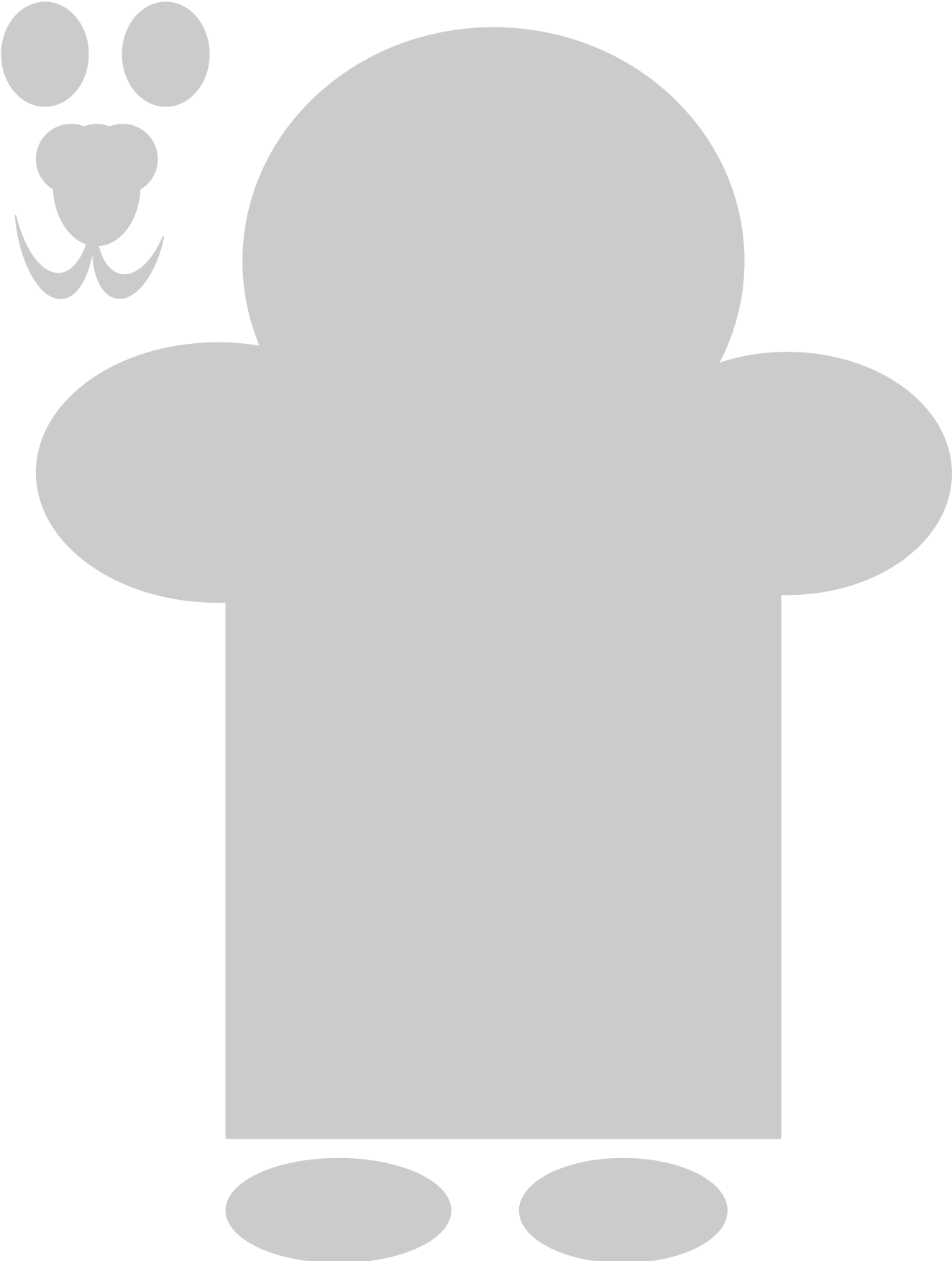
1. Begin with white felt. Trace around the template and cut out two animal body shapes from felt. This will later be stitched together to form your puppet.
2. Using black felt cut out eyes, nose, hands, ears, and feet using the templates as guides.
3. Use a glue stick, or textile glue stick, to apply these to the felt base.
4. Thread a needle with black wool or chunky thread.
5. Use a blanket stitch or a running stitch to stitch the two body templates together.



## Other Ideas...

If you've mastered the idea above then why not try using the same techniques to create other designs like this tiger!

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# Cone Puppets

## Materials...

- Cardboard/plastic cone
- Newspaper
- Wide masking tape
- Ready mix paint
- Paintbrushes



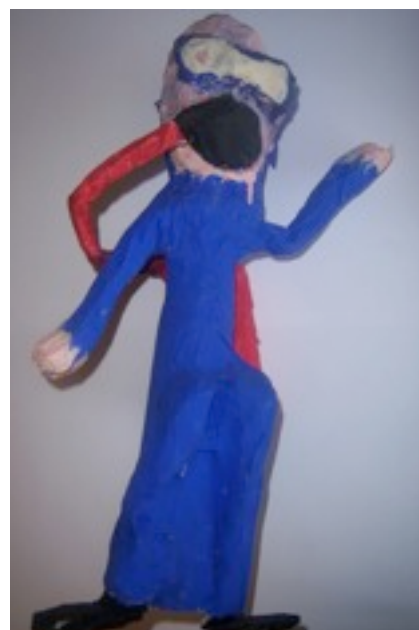
## Process...

1. Start by padding out your cone to make a torso using sheets of newspaper – attached the newspaper to the cone with masking tape.
2. Make a round ball of newspaper to form the head of your puppet and attach with masking tape to the top of the cone.
3. Roll up a long thin strip of newspaper to form the arms. Wrap this around your puppet and secure at the rear with masking tape
4. Add further smaller details as required such as eyes, hair, shoes, etc.
5. Lastly pad out your torso with further newspaper and cover all remaining surface area of the puppet with masking tape so it is ready to paint.
6. Paint using different colours of ready mix paint and remember to add details such as jewellery, glasses & patterned clothes.



## Other Ideas...

If you've mastered the idea above then why not try using the same techniques to create other puppets such as this lion or scuba diver!



# Funny Faces

## Materials...

- One pair of old tights
- Toy wadding or an old pillow or cushion insert
- Needle & thread
- Old tangled & scrap wool
- Buttons
- Markers

## Process...

1. Stuff the bottom of your tights with wadding until you get a nice rounded ball around the size of a grapefruit.
2. Tie the bottom of the tights in a knot just below your grapefruit sized ball.
3. Using your fingers pinch a small section of the wadding at the front and middle of your grapefruit, this will form the nose. Stitch where you have pinched the wadding using your needle and thread to secure.
4. Stitch on two button to make the eyes, sew these directly through to the back of the puppet as this will sink the eyes in and help the face to take shape.
5. Create a mouth, and even eyebrows, in the same way as the nose, and stitch to secure. You could use markers to emphasise lips & eyebrows etc.
6. Use old wool to make a crazy wool hairstyle and perhaps even a funky scarf!
7. Use your imagination to make your puppet really individual by making jewellery, glasses & other crazy hairstyles!



## Other ideas...

Once you have mastered the technique why not try out some other ideas like the ones below!

