Butterfly Rod Puppet

Supplies: Rod can be - cardboard tube from pants hangers or dowels cut to about 18"

Construction paper - any paper about that weight, 9" x 12"

Hot glue or tacky glue

Clip clothespins

Scissors Pencils

Colored markers or crayons or paint and brushes

Matte black spray paint or acrylic paint

Butterfly pattern cut out of cardboard

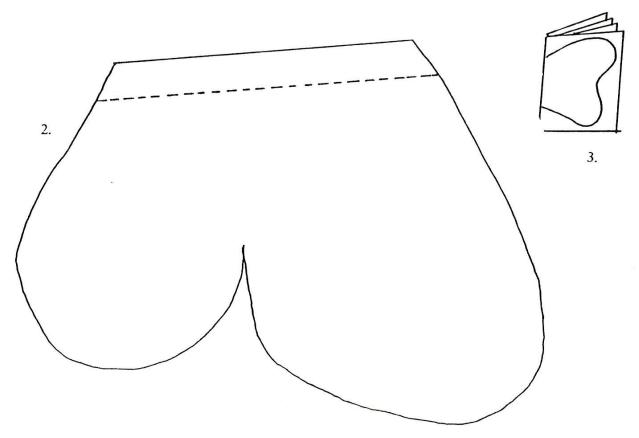
Masking tape

Pipe cleaners cut into four and a half inch lengths

Needlenose pliers with a cutting blade on it for wire

Small drill or a small punch to make holes with

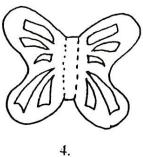
- 1. If using cardboard tubes from pants hangers and they are broken, repair them with masking tape. Drill a hole about 1/2" from one end through the tube or dowel. Paint the tube or the dowel black and let dry while working on the butterfly
- 2. Trace the half wing onto a piece of cardboard. (Cereal box cardboard works well)
- 3. Fold the 9" x 12" paper into fourths, and draw around the cardboard pattern. You can cut out two butterflies at a time.





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Draw the design onto the wings based on a fantasy butterfly design or colored 4. photographs. Put the design on the front and the back. Black marker between the colors lends a dramatic touch.



Fold on the dotted lines and spread glue between the dotted lines. 5.



- Lay the dowel into the glue, and fold over the wing. Hold it in place with the clothespin 6. until it dries.
- Put the 4 1/2" piece of pipe cleaner through the holes at the front, and shape into 7. antennae.

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