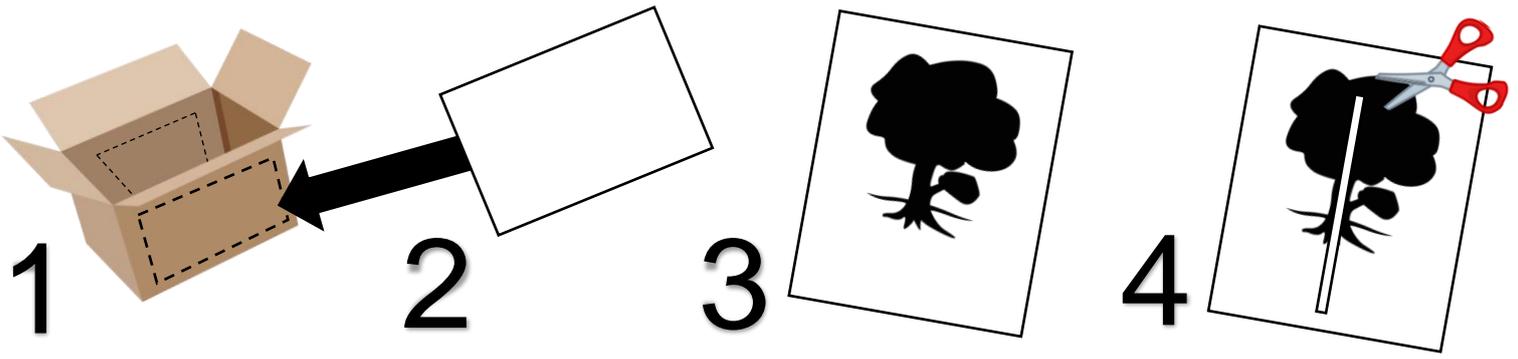
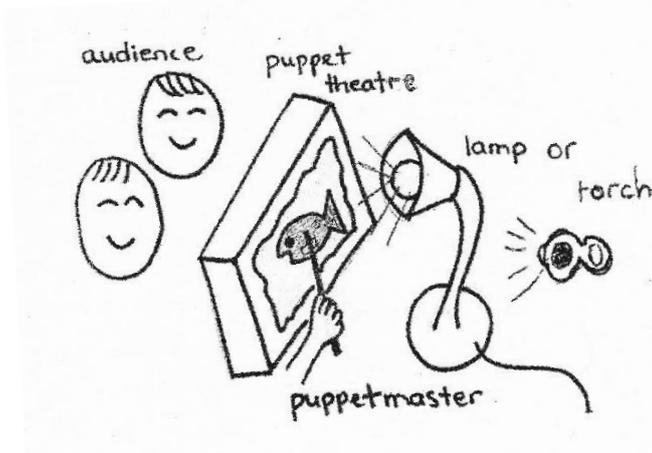


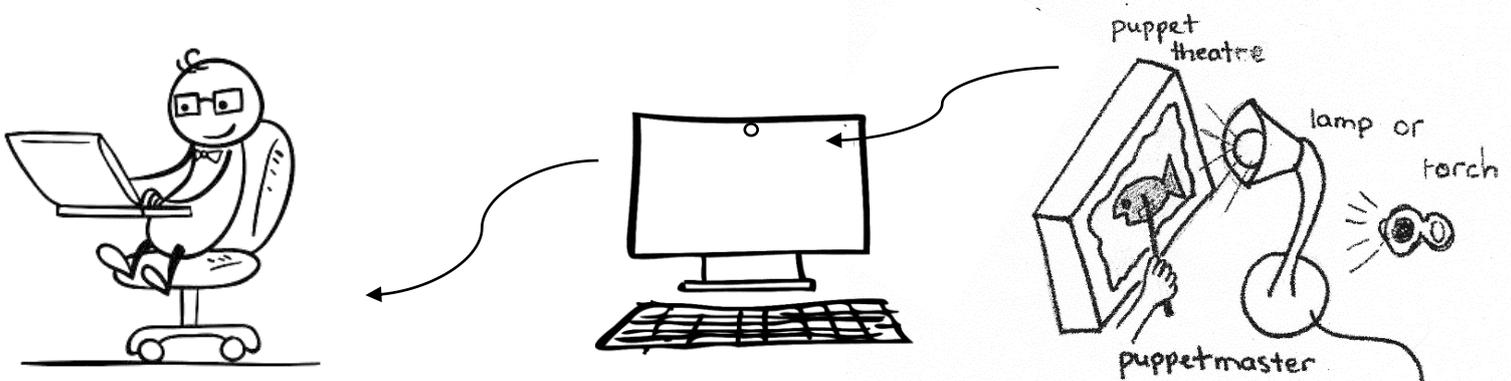
Making Shadow Theatres



1. Cut out a big rectangle from the two biggest (and opposite sides) of your box so you can see straight through the box. Ask for help from an adult to pierce the cardboard and cut it out.
2. Working from the inside, cover one of the holes up with greaseproof paper and stick it down.
3. Make simple puppets by drawing designs onto card. Only draw outlines as this is all you will see.
4. Add handles to your puppets by taping a stick securely to one side of your puppet. Place the stick as far up the puppet as you can so it doesn't flop about!



Set up your theatre by following the diagram above. This photograph shows what the audience will see.



How about going digital like the diagram below? Simply place your device camera so it is facing the theatre. Then you can have an online show and connect with friends or family anywhere in the world.



Use your hands and a bright light, like a torch or lamp, to make puppets on the wall, ceiling or floor.

You can use one or two hands. You can use your arms and legs or even your whole body if you'd like to go for it!

Can you guess what the puppets are that you can see in these examples? Try and replicate these puppets yourself. How is it?

Look at the photographs below. How do you think these three different shadows were made? Have a guess!

In the hand there are lots of hints and tips to help you explore shadow play and shadow theatre even more.

See if you can create coloured shadows, blurred shadows or shadows that move.



Play and have fun

Move around or stay still

Go closer or further away

Add pattern and texture

Add colour

What Next?