

4. PUPPET MOUTH PATTERN

DIRECTIONS

13. Cut one TOP mouth plate and one BOTTOM mouth plate out of plastic. An old milk jug or a plastic storage bin works well for this. Label them so you remember which is the top and which is the bottom.

14. Pick an appropriate fabric for the interior or your puppet's mouth. I like to use red or black felt or red or black velour.

15. Cut one piece out of the fabric using the pattern labeled "MOUTH FABRIC."

16. Now sew this piece into the fabric puppet head on the lines from the head pattern marked "mouth." Make sure you've got the top plate on top and the bottom plate on bottom.

16. Turn the puppet inside out and glue the top plastic plate on the fabric for the top of the mouth and the bottom plastic plate onto the bottom of the mouth.

17. Turn your puppet right-side out and try it on to see if it fits!

18. You may wish to add some stuffing to the top of the interior of the head to make it easier to manipulate the mouth.

19. Finish by adding eyes and a nose. You can find eyes at many hobby and craft stores, and make a nose out of pom poms or other materials.

20. If you wish, you can add a rod to your puppet's arms so you can move them.

