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Types of Puppets and Puppetry Basics
Worksheet
The Art of Puppetry

Instructions:

There are many types of puppets, and there are many ways to manipulate and use each type. This activity allows students to learn more about puppets and identify the different types.

- 1. Cut out the images and names using scissors.
- 2. Match each name to an image according to the question asked.

How do I work?

These images illustrate the different ways of manipulating puppets. Puppets are named for the way in which they are operated. Match each image to the right name.











Frontal Manipulation Puppet	Hand Puppet	Shadow F	Puppet
Rod Puppet	String Puppet		

How do I move?

By looking at how these puppets are built and how puppeteers use them, you'll be able to identify each type of puppet and match them to the right name.











String Puppet	Shadow Puppet	Frontal Manipulation Puppet
Hand Puppet	Rod Puppet	

Where am I used?

Each type of puppet is used in a specific setting. Look closely at each of these images and match each one to the right definition.









Puppet Booth or Screen

A puppet booth is a small theatre traditionally used for hand puppet shows. In larger acting areas, screens are used to hide the puppeteers operating hand or rod puppets.

Bridge or Catwalk

Elevated area that lets puppeteers remain offstage while operating *rod marionettes* or *string puppets*.

Stage or Acting Area

An area where puppeteers stand in front of the audience and operate puppets.

Screen

Screen against which a puppeteer slides generally flat puppets known as *shadow puppets*. The shapes of the puppets block the light from a source placed behind the puppets, creating a shadow on the other side (where the audience is seated).

