

# How to make... a pocket theatre

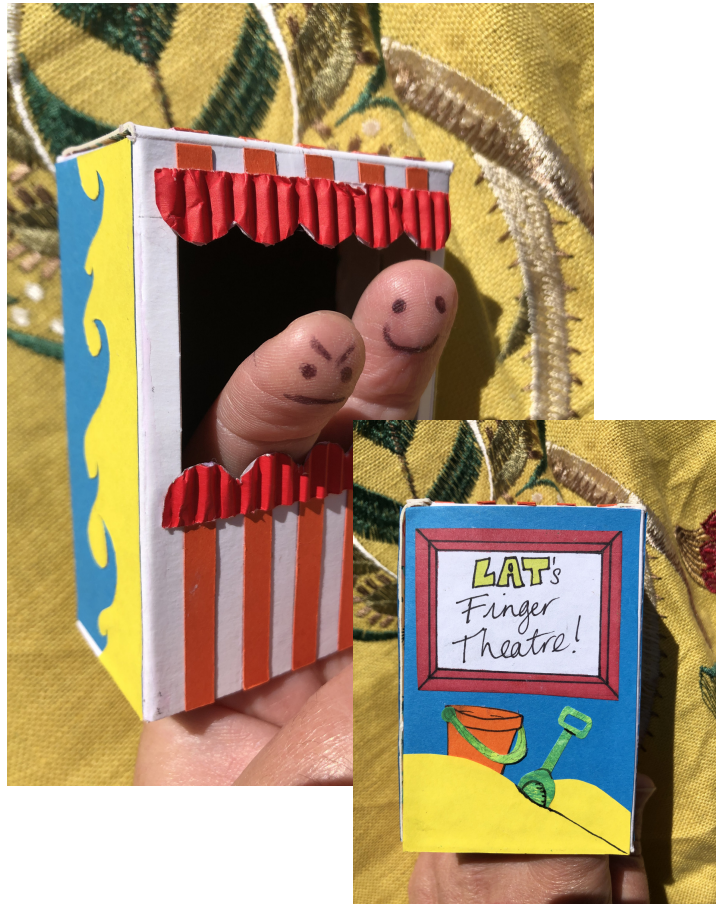
Suitable for ages 5 - 11

## You will need:

- Felt tip pens or colouring pencils
- Glue
- Scissors
- Anything extra to decorate, coloured paper, tissue paper, glitter, stickers. etc.
- A small box

Or

- Access to a printer
- Plain paper
- Thin card (such as a cereal box)

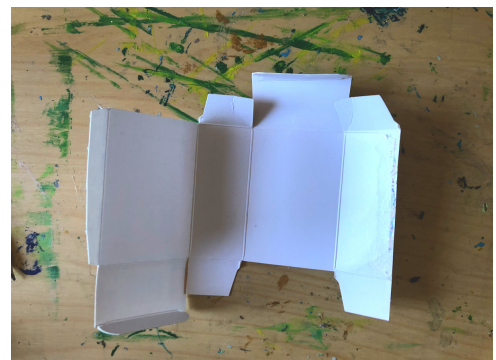


Did you enjoy Ashton Owen's reading of *Tom Thumb*? These pocket theatres are so much fun and easy to make. Decorate it however you like and create a whole troupe of actors no bigger than your thumb! This activity sheet includes a template.

## Instructions

### Step 1:

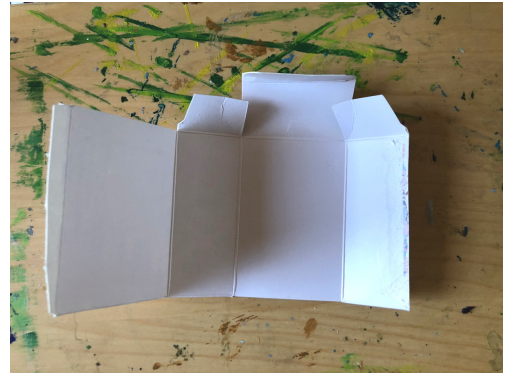
Carefully open up your little box, keeping all the tabs and sides intact.



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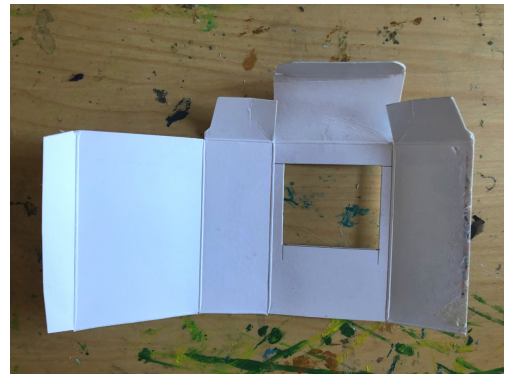
## Step 2:

Cut off the tabs from the bottom of your box.



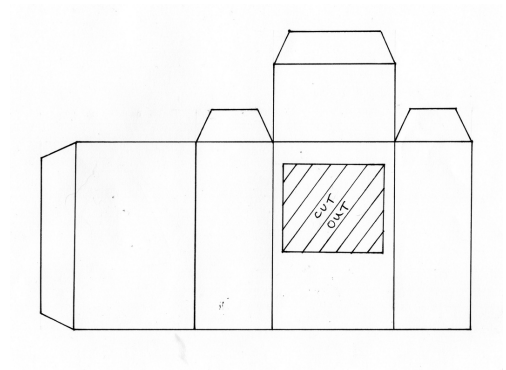
## Step 3:

In one of the larger sides cut out a window.



## OR

Print out our template and glue it to some thin card.  
Then cut it out.



## Step 4:

Decorate your pocket theatre with whatever you like.

If you have a pattern on the outside of your box,  
turn your box inside out and decorate the inside.



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## Step 5:

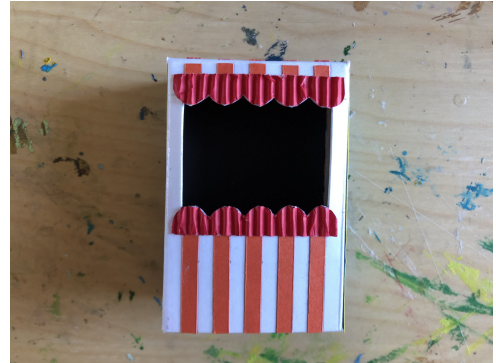
Assemble your pocket theatre by glueing the tabs together.



## One Step Further:

Cover the back of your theatre with black paper for that really professional finish.

You could create little backdrops for your theatre by cutting a piece of paper the size of the back of your box, drawing out a little scene then sticking it into the back of the theatre.



## Step 6:

Draw some little faces on your finger tips, see what sort of characters you could create. Maybe draw a different emotion on each finger.



## Lastly:

Stick your fingers into your pocket theatre and create your own little show.





Template:

