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Alpacas with Maracas craft ideas, inspired by National Simultaneous Storytime 2019

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Maracas

Materials:

- Balloons - Coloured - Pack of 100 - 10003
- CleverPatch™ Mod-Rock - 1.1kg Pack - 10914
- Pony Beads - 80g Pack - 10836
- Wooden Dowel - Natural - Pack of 25 - 18144
- CleverPatch™ Acrylic Paint Tube - Yellow - 75ml - 16879
- Confetti - 15g Pack - 10004
- Mod Podge® - Sparkle - 236ml - 14901
- Other Materials Required: Small bowl of warm water, scissors, paint brush, glue brush.



1. Partially inflate 2 balloons to a small round size approximately 8-10cm in diameter and tie a knot.



2. Prepare the Mod-Rock by cutting into strips and have a bowl of warm water ready.



3. Dip the strips into the water and cover the balloons completely, leaving a small hole around the knot. Allow to dry completely.



4. Remove the balloon from the inside by holding the knot in one hand and cutting a small hole in the exposed balloon. As it deflates, gently pull it out.



5. Take a small handful of pony beads and carefully funnel them into the opening. This will create the shaker part of the maraca.



6. Once the pony beads are inside, place the dowel into the shaker to make a handle. Use more Mod-Rock to wrap around and down the dowel to secure in place.



7. You will need to wrap the handle quite a few times to make it strong and form its shape. Once complete, allow to dry completely.



8. Begin decorating by giving the maracas a coat of bright coloured paint. Allow to dry.

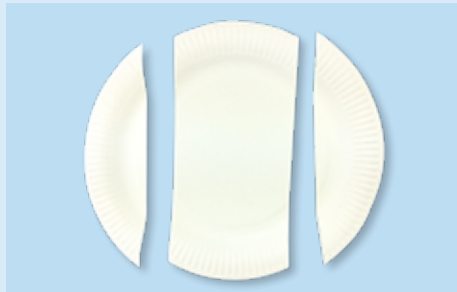


9. Finally, cover your maraca with colourful confetti using Mod Podge®. Use a glue brush to attach the confetti, giving the maracas a beautiful sparkly finish!

Alpaca Face Puppet

Materials:

- Paper Plates – Large Pack of 100 – 10775
- Wiggle Eyes – 3cm Pack of 20 – 16478
- CleverPatch™ Budget Poster Paint Brown – 1.5 Litres – 18407
- CleverPatch™ Budget Poster Paint – White – 1.5 Litres – 18409
- CleverPatch™ Budget Poster Paint – Black – 1.5 Litres – 18408
- Soft Yarn Wool – Black – 100g 12008
- Soft Yarn Wool – Brown 100g – 17137
- Soft Yarn Wool – Orange 100g – 17135
- Giant Popsticks – Natural Pack of 100 – 17931
- Hole Punch – 18765
- Other Materials Required: Scissors, paint brushes, markers, pencil, ruler, glue & template (page 8).



1. On both sides of your paper plate, rule inwards 6cm and cut vertically. Adult supervision is recommended when using scissors.



2. Use a hole punch and cut holes into one end of the centre piece of plate. This will be the Alpaca's face and where you attach the hair.



3. Mix black and white paint to make grey. Paint the two side pieces of plate grey and the centre piece brown. The side pieces will become the Alpaca's ears. Allow to dry.



5. Cut pieces of wool around 40cm long. Make sure you have enough for each hole you punched out in step 2.



6. Thread the wool through the holes and tie a knot in the centre of the wool to secure. We have used two pieces of wool per hole.



Get everyone ready for National Simultaneous Storytime with this cute face puppet!



4. Use the template provided on page 8 and colour in the Alpaca's mouth with markers. Cut out using scissors.



7. Glue on wiggle eyes and a mouth to the front of your Alpaca. Attach your ears and a popstick to the back of your Alpaca puppet. Allow to dry. Your Alpaca is now ready to use!

Plush Alpacas

Materials:

- Felt Bundles - Rectangles - Pack of 26 - 10783
- Embroidery Thread - Black - 48 Metres - 12374
- Sewing Needles - Sharp - Pack of 6 - 17870
- Wadding - 200g Pack - 11111
- Wiggle Eyes - Black - 1cm - Pack of 100 - 10815
- Micador Stay Anywhere™ Permanent Pens - Pack of 12 - 14216
- CleverPatch™ Glue Dots - Permanent - Pack of 300 - 15173
- Soft Yarn Wool - Brown - 100g - 17137
- Other Materials Required: Scissors, pencil, template (pg 9)



1. Print out and use the template provided on page 9 to cut your alpaca shapes out of felt. We're making Macca the Alpaca!



2. Add detail to the nose, mouth and ears using a permanent pen then attach them in place using glue dots. The circle will sit on the front piece and the ears on the inside back piece.



3. Align the large pieces on top of each other, then begin sewing around the outside. You can learn how to sew a blanket stitch on our website here: bit.ly/CP_BIS



4. When you get to the ears, you can sew a simple back stitch over them, then continue on with the blanket stitch. Learn how to sew a back stitch on our website here: bit.ly/CP_BcSt



5. Keep sewing until you have a 5cm opening. Start to push wadding into the opening, making sure to push it right into the legs and head.



6. When Macca is nice and plump, pinch the opening together and continue with the blanket stitch to sew it closed. Tie a double knot and trim the excess thread.



7. Finish Macca's face by using glue dots to attach wiggle eyes and add eyelashes with a permanent pen.



8. If making Al the Alpaca, follow the same assembly instructions for Macca then you can add his shaggy hair. Cut 10 lengths of 10cm brown wool and tie another length around the centre to hold them together.



9. Place the centre knot of wool between Al's ears and sew into place with embroidery thread. Now your friendly Alpacas are ready!

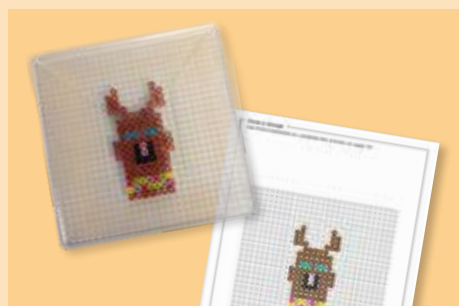
Alpaca Badges

Materials:

- Iron Beads Pegboard – Clear – 12758
- Iron Beads – Multi – Big Bottle – 12763
- Iron Beads Ironing Paper Pack of 10 – 12754
- Self-Adhesive Brooch Backs Pack of 25 – 10843
- Other Materials Required: Template (page 10-11), iron

Use our templates provided or design your own Alpaca badge!

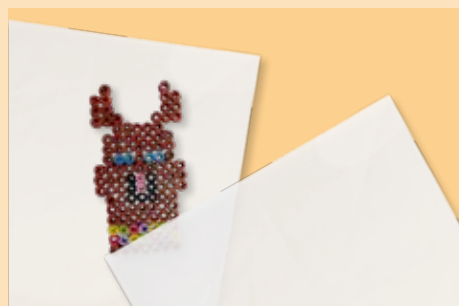
Add a pop of colour to your outfit with these bright badges!



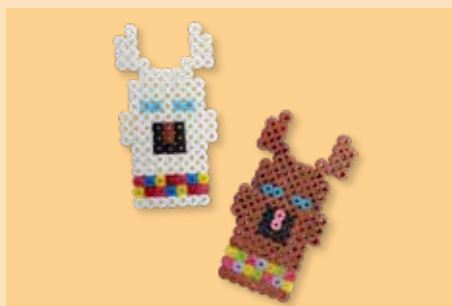
1. Use the template on page 10 or 11 and start in the middle of your board to create your Alpaca design.



2. Place a sheet of ironing paper over your design so it is completely covered and then iron with a hot iron. Adult supervision is recommended when using an iron.



3. Once the beads have melted together, quickly flip the design over so it's on the ironing paper. Remove the pegboard and place another piece of ironing paper on top of the design. Continue to iron the other side.



4. Carefully remove the ironing paper. Take care as the beads will be hot! Allow to cool.

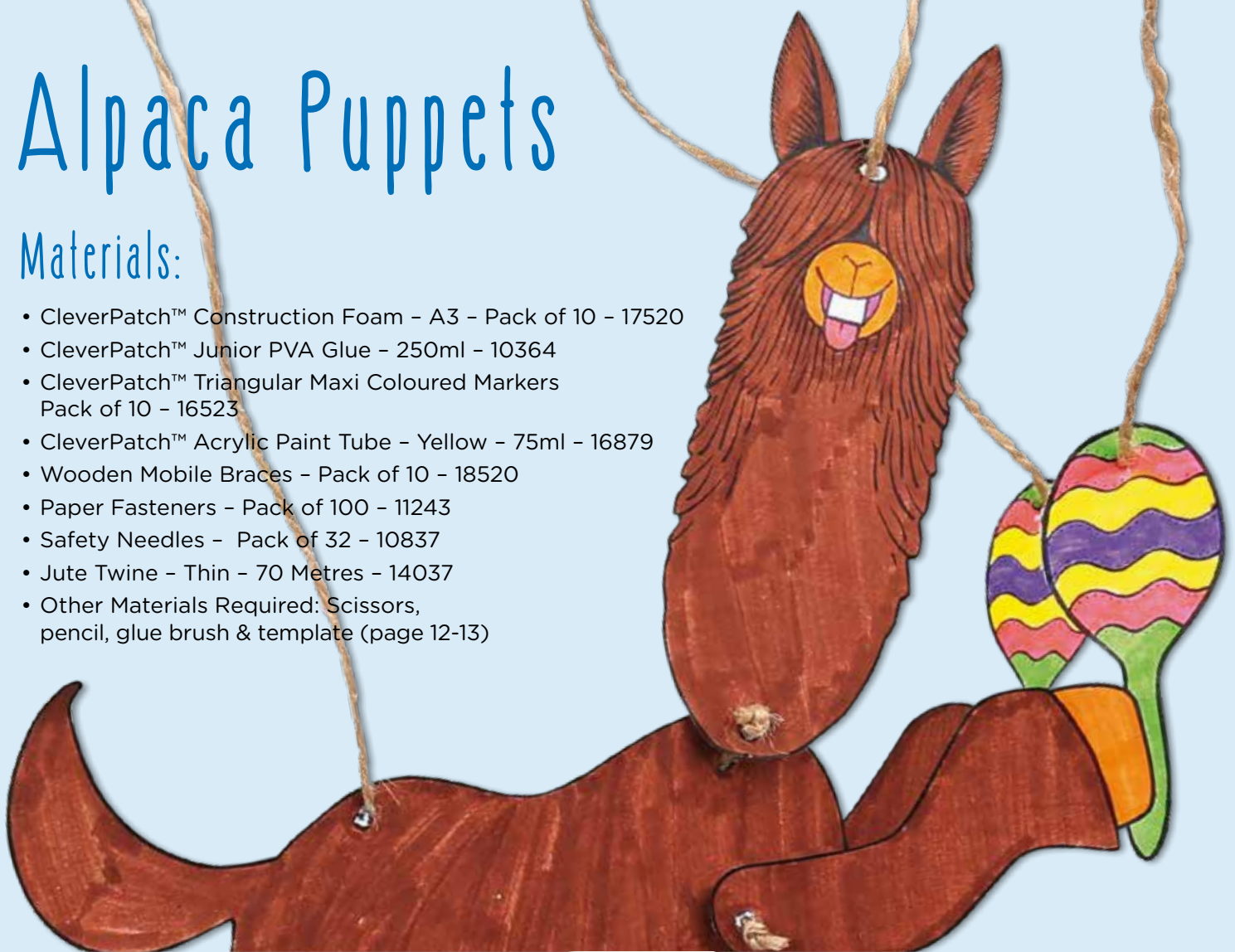


5. Attach a self-adhesive brooch back to one side of your Alpaca's face. Now your badge is ready to wear!

Alpaca Puppets

Materials:

- CleverPatch™ Construction Foam – A3 – Pack of 10 – 17520
- CleverPatch™ Junior PVA Glue – 250ml – 10364
- CleverPatch™ Triangular Maxi Coloured Markers Pack of 10 – 16523
- CleverPatch™ Acrylic Paint Tube – Yellow – 75ml – 16879
- Wooden Mobile Braces – Pack of 10 – 18520
- Paper Fasteners – Pack of 100 – 11243
- Safety Needles – Pack of 32 – 10837
- Jute Twine – Thin – 70 Metres – 14037
- Other Materials Required: Scissors, pencil, glue brush & template (page 12-13)



1. Use coloured markers to decorate your Alpaca templates (page 12-13). Cut out each piece of your template. Adult supervision is recommended when using scissors.



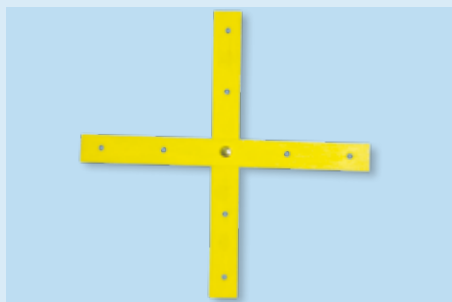
2. Using a pencil, lightly trace each piece of your template onto construction foam. Cut out each piece using scissors.



3. Use glue to attach your template pieces to each of the foam pieces. Allow to dry.



4. Use a safety needle and thread thread through each hole to join the pieces of the template together. Make sure there is a longer piece of twine attaching the feet to form your Alpaca's legs. Secure together by tying a knot in each end.



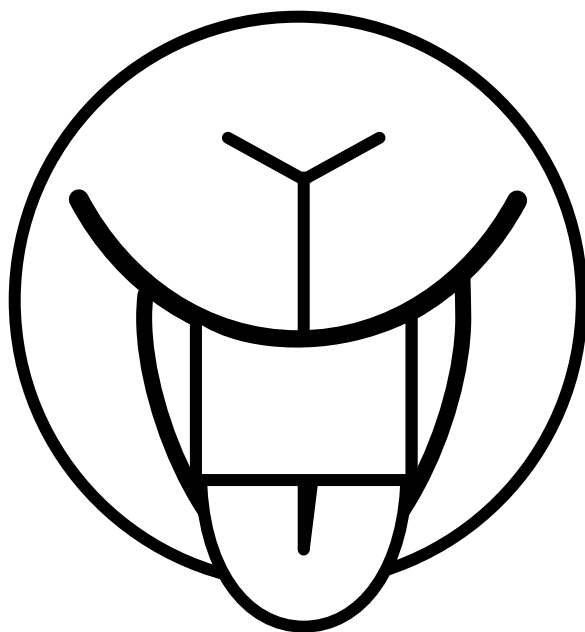
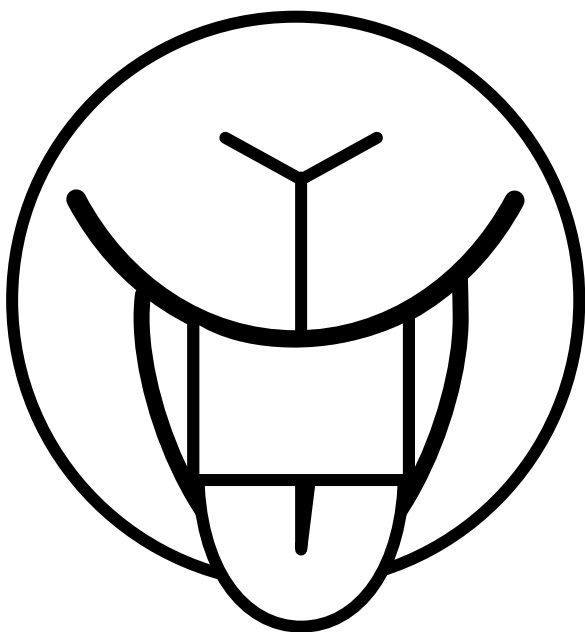
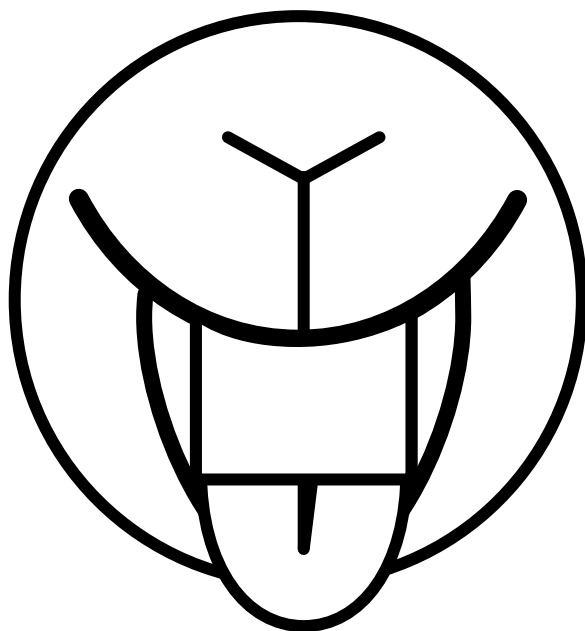
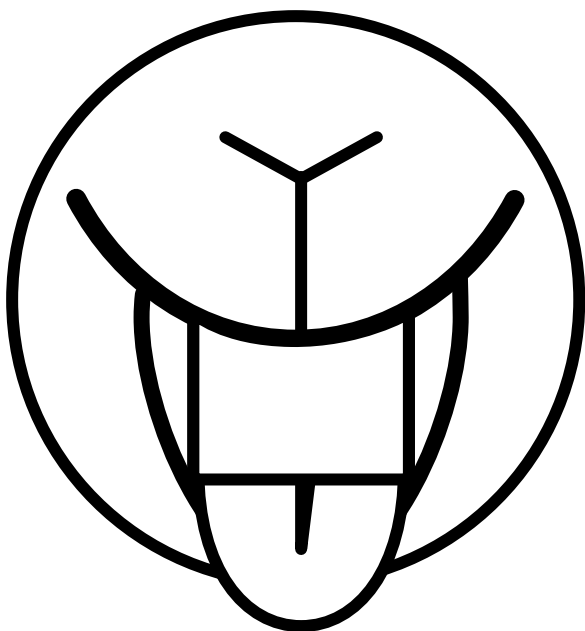
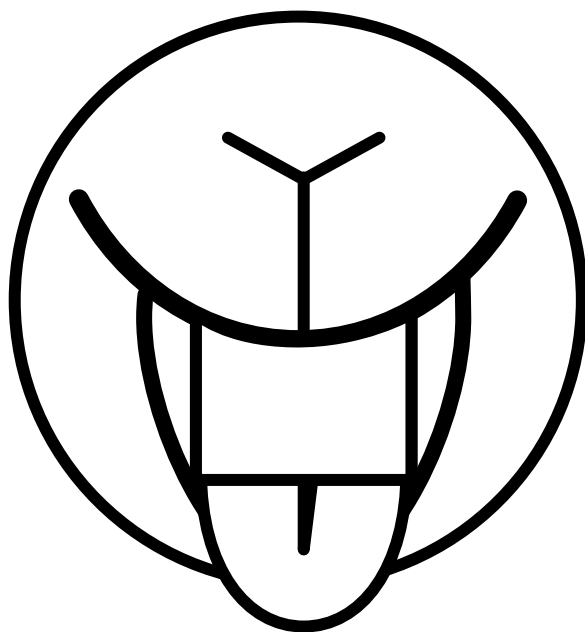
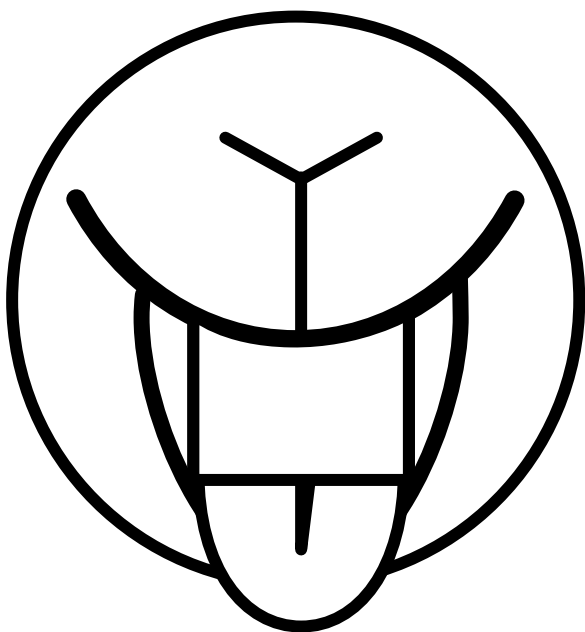
5. Paint your mobile brace. Allow to dry. Construct your brace by placing a paper fastener in the centre circles.



6. Thread twine through the top holes in the maracas, head and body. Then thread each piece through one hole each (as shown above) and tie a knot in the ends. Your puppet is now ready to put on a show!

Alpaca Face Puppet

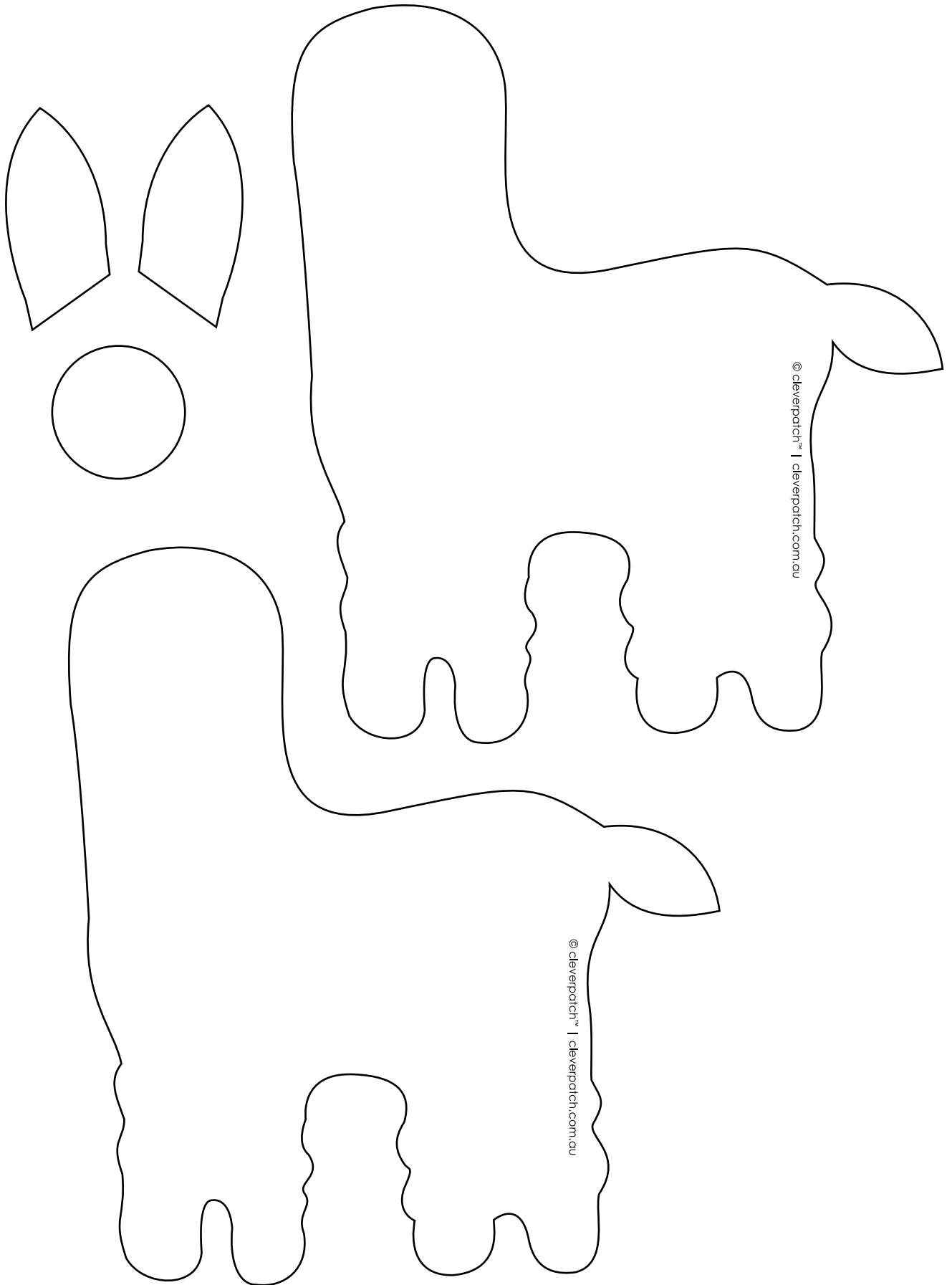
Use these templates to complete the activity on page 4.



Plush Alpaca

Use these templates to complete the activity on page 5.

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Alpaca Badge

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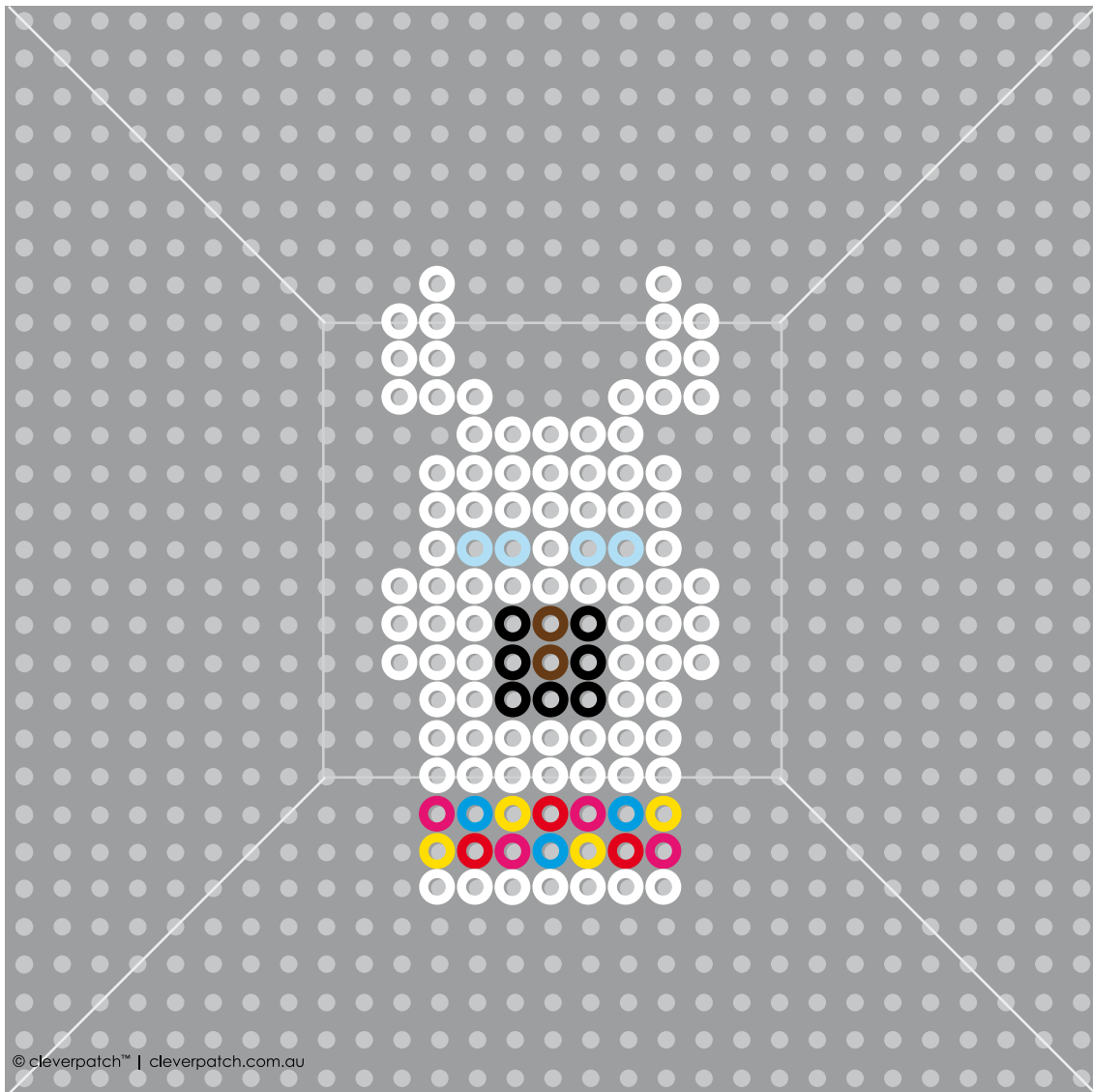
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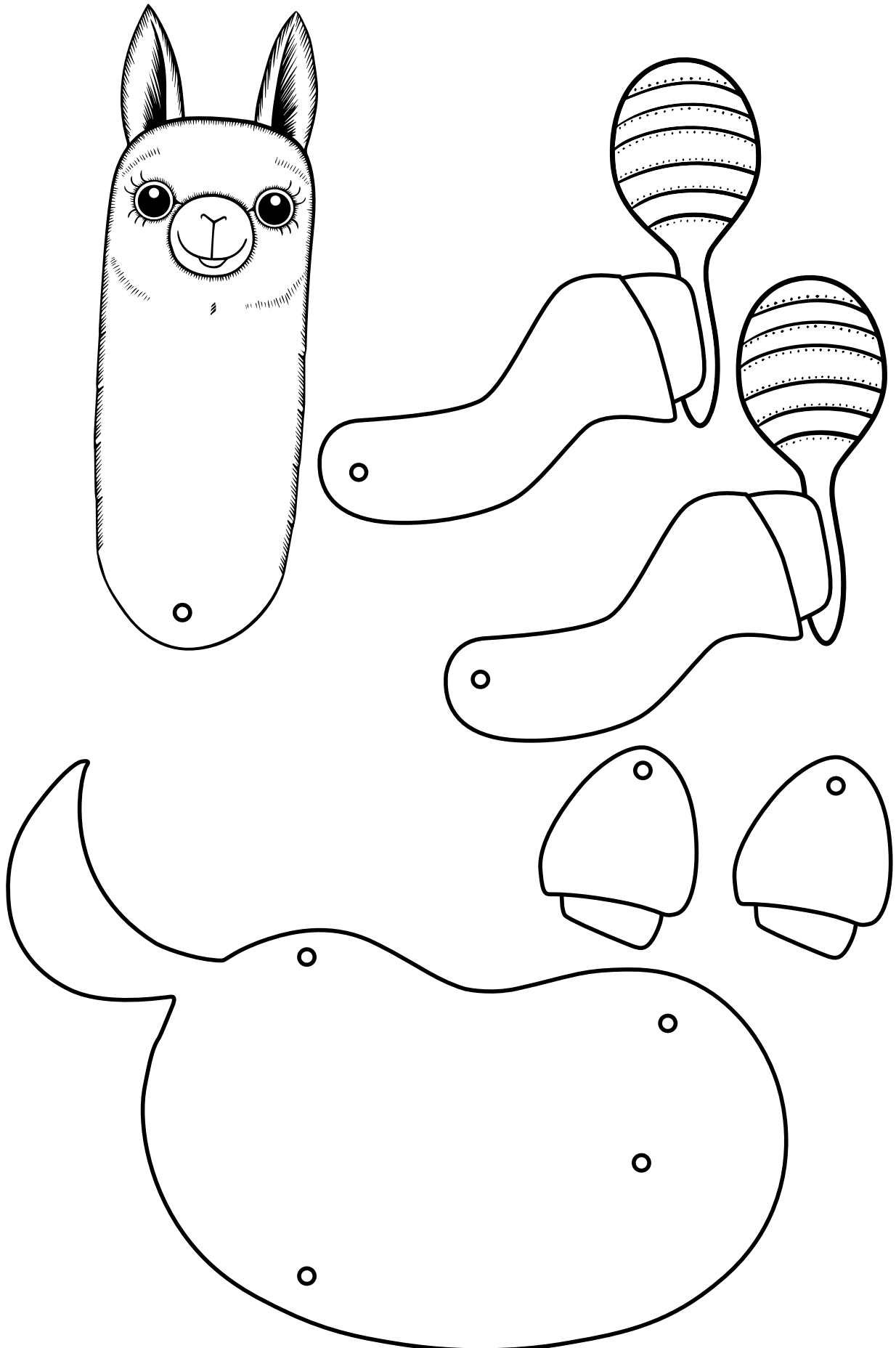


Alpacas with Maracas Puppets

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Macca the Alpaca



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Al the Alpaca

