

# Parent Guide

## How can I use this with my children?

These dragon puppets can be used as decorations or characters in a puppet show. A fun activity to do together or for your child to try independently.

## How does this help my children's learning?

Using scissors can help children develop their fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination. Paper folding and colouring also encourages creativity and imagination.

## Ideas for further learning:

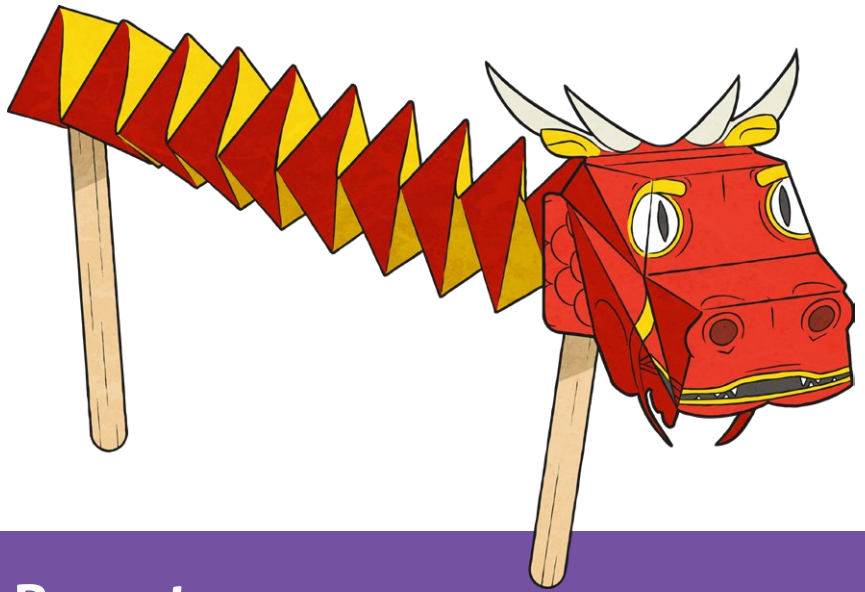
Why not encourage your child to make their own dragon dance and put on a dragon dance show for their friends and family?



# How to Make a Dancing Dragon Puppet

## Equipment:

- Dragon Head Template
- coloured card
- wooden lolly sticks
- white glue
- sticky tape

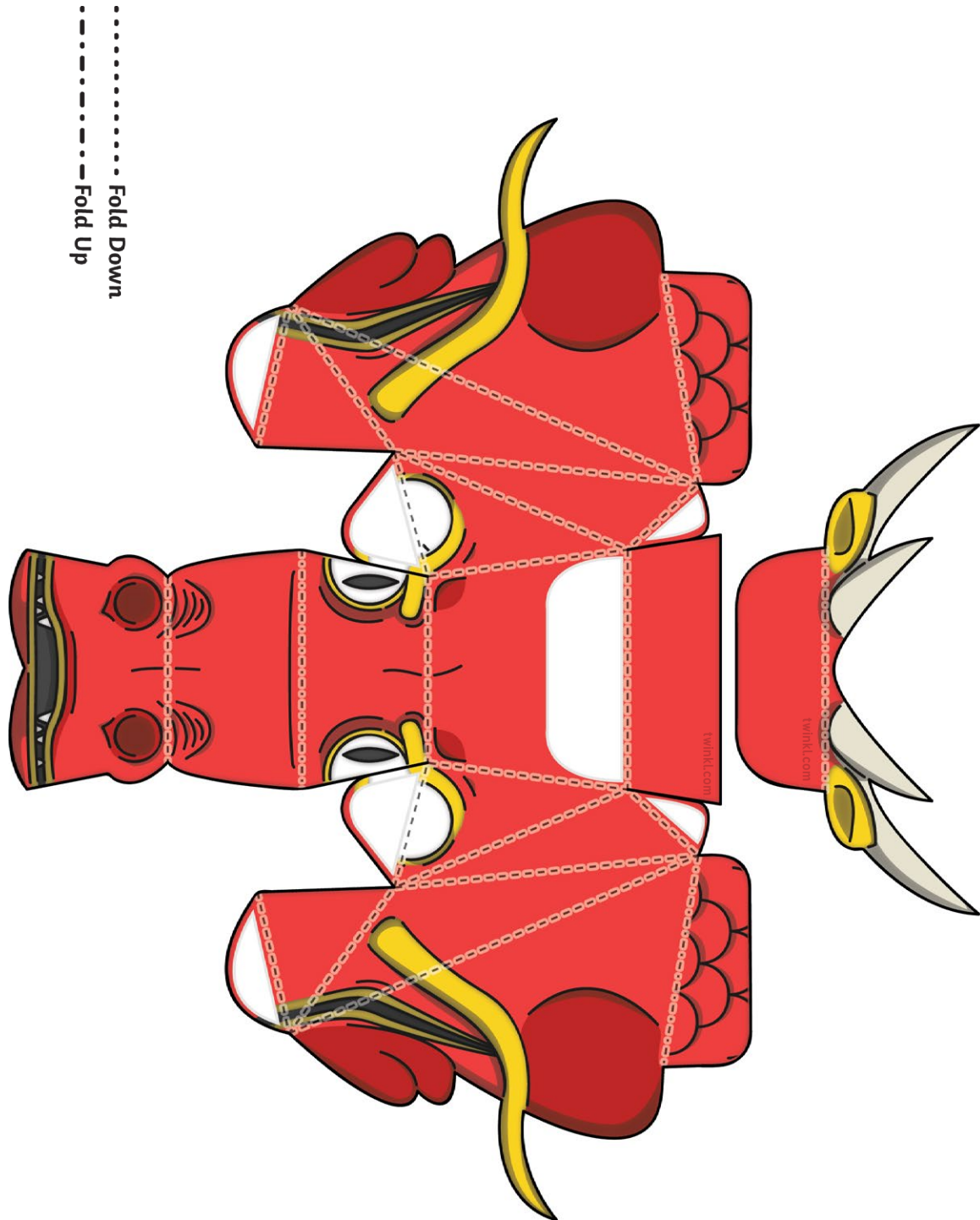


## 3D Dancing Dragon Puppet

### Method:

1. Carefully, cut out the Dragon Head Template, or make your own.
2. Cut coloured card into strips the same width as the dragon head.
3. Place two strips together to make a right angle.
4. Fold one piece over the other.
5. Continue to fold over the alternate pieces of card until all the card has been folded.
6. You should now have a card spring.
7. Make more springs until you have enough for the length of dragon you want.
8. Glue the loose ends of the card together and to the other springs.
9. Use sticky tape to attach a wooden lolly stick to one end of the spring.
10. Tape the other end of the spring to the dragon's head.
11. Tape another wooden lolly stick to the spring close to the dragon's head.
12. Move the lolly sticks to make the dragon dance.

# 3D Dancing Dragon Puppet



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## 2D Dancing Dragon Puppet

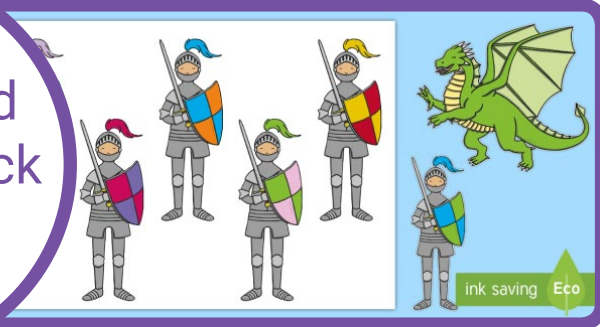
### Method:

1. Carefully, cut out the 2D dragon head and tail.
2. Fold a strip of card into a concertina. (Smaller folds will give more creases, larger folds will make the creases bigger.)
3. Use sticky tape to attach a wooden lolly stick to each end of the concertina strip.
4. Glue the head and tail in position.



If you enjoyed this resource, why not try...

Knights and Dragons Stick Puppets



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This resource features five stick puppets: four knights in full plate armor with various shields and one green dragon with wings. The puppets are designed to be made from a single sheet of paper, with a 'stick' for the body and a 'head' for the face. An 'ink saving Eco' logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

Superheroes Zig Zag Book



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The image shows a 'Zig Zag Book' template with instructions on how to use it. The instructions include: 'Take the zigzag book template and place it on a flat surface on the table. This means the largest side should be the top and bottom of the paper.', 'Next, fold the paper in half, bringing the top side to meet the bottom side.', 'Fold this in half to bring the two shorter sides together.', 'Fold the zigzag point on one side of the folded paper and fold this backwards.', 'Turn the paper over and do the same again with the other side.' A small illustration of a superhero is also shown next to the template. An 'ink saving' logo is present at the bottom.

Interactive Concertina Visual Aid Template



This image displays a series of white paper templates for creating a concertina. The templates are arranged in a row, showing different stages of the process: a simple circle, a circle with a vertical line, a circle with a vertical line and a small notch, a circle with a vertical line and a larger notch, and a circle with a vertical line and a large notch. The templates are designed to be cut out and used as visual aids for a concertina.

Design a Dragon Worksheet



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The worksheet is titled 'Design a Dragon' and includes a section for 'Name of Dragon:'. It also features a 'Portrait' section with a drawing of a dragon and a 'Habitat' section with a list of options. The 'Portrait' section includes a drawing of a dragon and a list of options for its appearance. The 'Habitat' section includes a list of options for where the dragon lives. An 'ink saving' logo is visible at the bottom.

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