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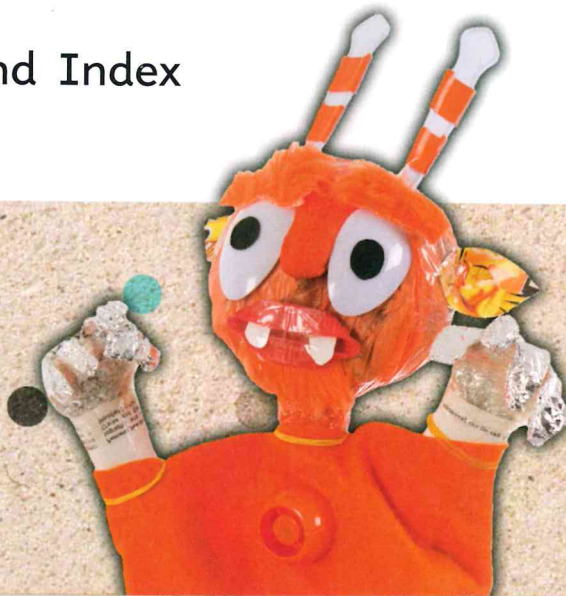
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**For Martyn
and Mo**



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Puppet POWER!

Hello, I'm Emma Boor. I run a puppet company called 'Wild Boor Ideas'. I love making puppets and performing shows.

Here are some puppets I made for my show, *Cinderella Green the Recycling Queen!*

I'm the one in the middle!



I love making puppets from interesting objects and things that people throw away.

Rubbish is made up of different **materials** – and it's free!



Most of this rubbish can be **recycled** and turned into something else.

I'm going to make it into a new friend for Dustin!

Paper, Paper, Read All About It!

Paper and card are made from trees. Paper and card can be recycled and made into toilet rolls!

Let's use newspaper and cardboard tubes to make the head and arms of a Bin Goblin puppet!

cardboard
tubes

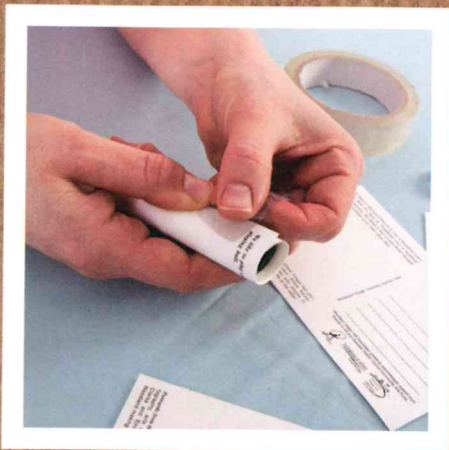
newspaper





Check with an adult that all the rubbish is clean and safe to use.

- 1** First, find three cardboard tubes that will fit on your thumb and your next two fingers.



Or you can make your own tubes!

- 2** Next, scrunch newspaper around a tube to make your Bin Goblin's head. The other tubes will become the arms.





Fantastic Plastic

Plastic bags can be melted down and recycled into new plastic bags, or other things, such as clothes.

Let's use one to make our Bin Goblin's skin.



1

First, push your puppet's head and neck up inside the middle of the plastic bag.



2

Next, smooth down the plastic bag over the head. Tape it in place.

3

Finally, trim off the edges of the plastic bag.



Ask an adult to help!



FABULOUS Fabric

There are many different types of fabric. Some are made in **factories**. Some are made from plants.

We use fabric to make clothes. Old clothes often end up in the bin!

Fabric can be mended, or taken to a charity shop, or recycled.

Let's use some fabric to make cool clothes for our Bin Goblin!



**smelly
sock**

1

To make the clothes, cut some fabric to fit around your arm. Check it is the right size.



2

Open up the fabric, then place your cardboard tubes at the top of the fabric. Colour between the tubes with chalk.

3

Put glue down the side and over the chalk marks you have drawn.



4

Finally, fold the fabric back over to stick the fabric together.

Elastic Band

Bing

Bong

Elastic bands are made of rubber from rubber trees. They last longer if you keep them in the fridge!

Let's use elastic bands to hold our Bin Goblin together.

Stretchy!

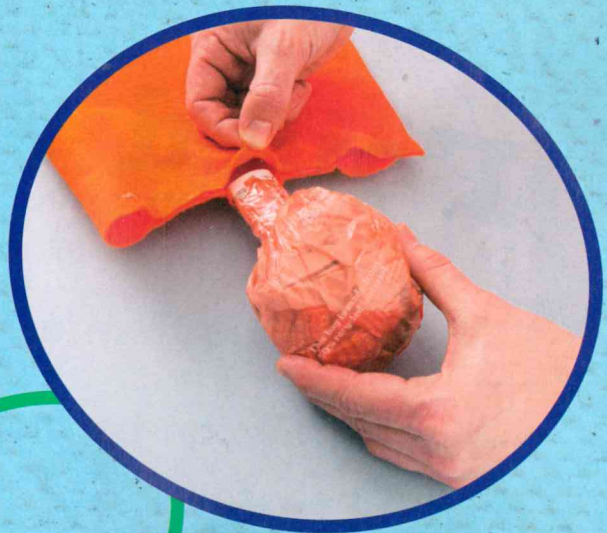


WHEEEEE!
Boing!



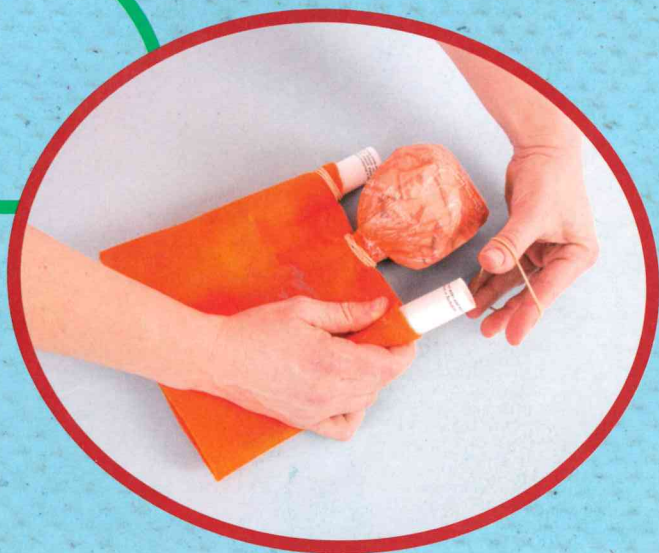
1

When the glue on the fabric has dried, push your puppet's neck tube down the middle hole.



2

Hold it in place with an elastic band.



3

Do the same with the two arm tubes.

Foiled Again!

Foil is made from a metal called aluminium.

Clean foil can be melted down and made into new foil.

Let's use it to make our Bin Goblin's hands!



1

First, make five foil fingers for each hand.



2

Next, make two hand and wrist shapes.



3

Tape the fingers onto the hands.



4

Finally, use tape to stick the wrists into the arm tubes.



Puppet Magic

Bring your puppet to life!

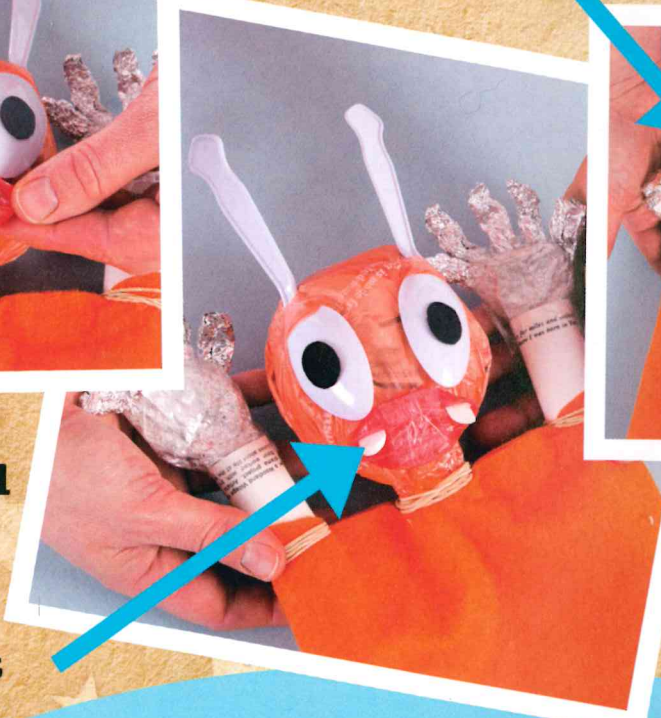
I'm using plastic spoons for eyes ...
and horns!



Now make the face. You can use all sorts of things!



plastic lid



yogurt pot



cereal box

rubber glove

fur fabric

Don't stick on anything too heavy. It might rip the plastic.

I can smell rubber.
Oh, it's my nose!



Goblin Guidelines

Remember to make your Bin Goblin strong, light and comfortable to hold.

Keep checking that your puppet moves easily.



It's a **Stick-up!**



Fix everything firmly
onto your Bin Goblin.



Sticking fact!

White glue won't stick
shiny materials to
other shiny materials.



Dustin and Friends

bottle tops

newspaper

duster



Look at these
naughty Bin Goblins!

plastic toys

rubber gloves

brown paper





Get to Know Your **Bin Goblin**

What is your Bin Goblin's name?

What is its voice like?

How did it come to life?

SHOW TIME!

Why not write a script for a Bin Goblin puppet show?

Practise, then add music.



Have a bin-load of fun – and help reduce waste!

Glossary

fabric: cloth

factories: buildings where things are made

materials: things that are used for making other things

recycled: re-used to make something else

script: the words of a play or film

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Think back!

Now you've read the book, talk about it together and see what your child can remember. Go back through the book to find out the answers if you need to.

- Ask: *Can you find two smelly things in the book?* (Answer: smelly sock, p10; rubber glove nose, p17)
- Ask: *Why would you keep elastic bands in the fridge?* (Answer: because they last longer, p12)
- Ask: *Which part of the puppet did Emma make out of foil?* (Answer: hands, fingers and wrists, p15) Ask: *What else could you use to make hands?*
- Ask: *Can you think of four things that you have at home that you could use to make a Bin Goblin?*
- Look at p23. Ask: *What is a script?* (Answer: the words of a play or film, p24) Ask: *What would you write a puppet script about?*




Write about it!

Help your child to make a poster for a puppet show. If possible, find some examples of advertising for shows in magazines or newspapers and talk about them. Together, decide the important information to include on a poster, e.g. the name of the show, the date. Help your child to write a line that makes the show sound exciting so people want to come. Think about the order to put the information in and which information needs to be biggest.

Did you know?

Puppets have been used in shows for thousands of years!

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