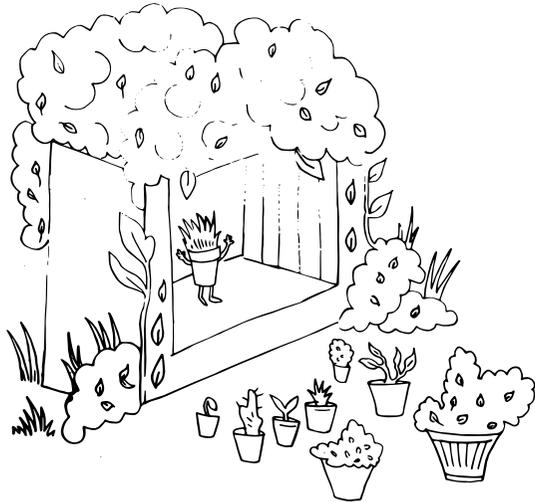


Make the characters!

Look back at your story. Who are your characters and what do they look like? What are they wearing? Do the characters need any objects (props) to help tell the story?

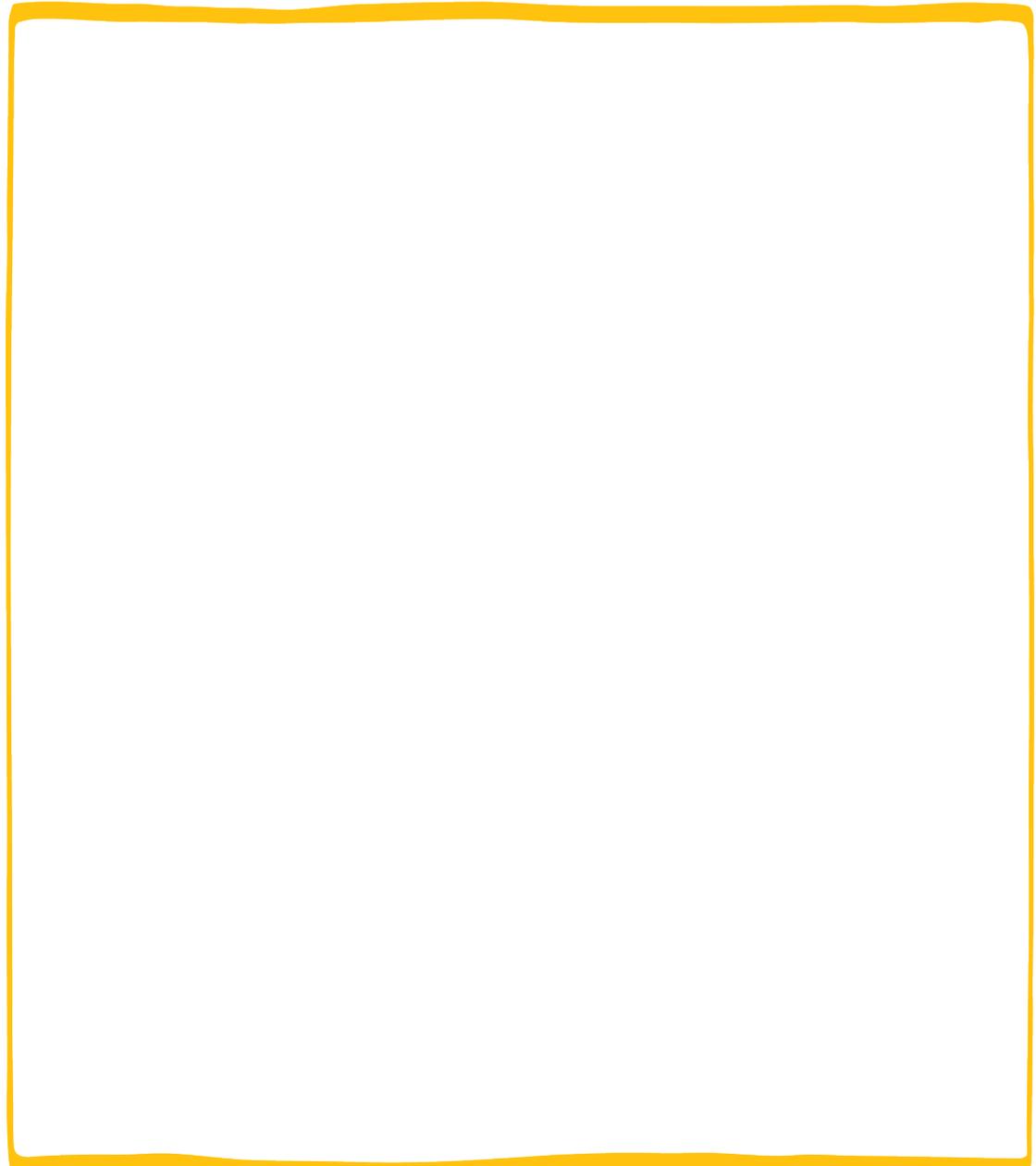
Draw the characters with their props.



Something to think about:

Do the characters need to move any of their body parts? These parts would need to be separate so that you can move them.

Label your drawings to explain which pieces need to move.



Follow this How-to guide to make your own characters for your theatre show.

Materials

Thin cardboard

Thread

Blu-tac

Kebab sticks

PVA Glue

Materials to decorate

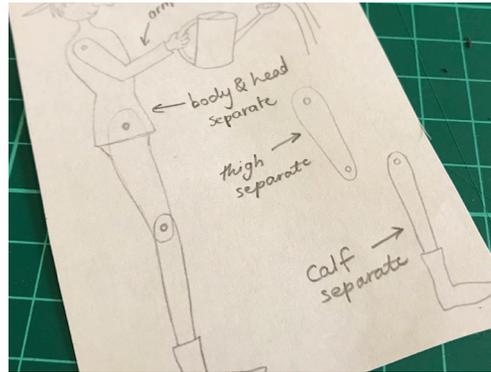
Tools

Scissors

Paperclip/Needle

Pencil

An adult to help!



1. Work out which pieces you want as separate body parts, or if you want it simple just make the body one part.



2. Transfer your designs onto thin cardboard and cut them out.



3. Decorate the pieces by colouring them in.



4. Make some holes in the pieces using a paperclip and poke thread through the holes so the body parts are loosely attached to each other. You could use a needle if you have one but ask for help.



2. Pull the threads tighter so and secure them in place using blu-tac. Add longer threads to pieces you want to manipulate - I've added one to the watering can so that I can move the arm of the puppet.



3. Glue on the kebab stick too - this is what you will use to move the puppet about on the stage.