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Activity Idea

SHADOW PUPPETS

Recommended for Ages 6 – 12

You will need the following materials:

- Lightweight cardboard or heavy paper
- Straws
- Pencil or pen
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Tape
- Flashlight or lamp

Instructions:

1. Trace a figure on the paper with the pen or pencil
2. Color with the crayons
3. Cut out the figure with the scissors
4. Tape a straw on the back of the figure. Now, you have a puppet!
5. Turn on the light
6. Hold the puppet in front of the light to create a shadow on the wall
7. Make more figures: dragons, dinosaurs…anything and create your own adventures!