

# Is Shadow Useful at All?

ART

## Get ready

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### Preparing the classroom for the lesson:

Make a shadow theater stage:

- A screen and a light source are required to build a shadow theater. The screen can be a thin, white sheet; and the source of light a torch or lamp that produces a powerful beam. Hang the screen on a line suspended between two stands, such as a hat-and-coat stand, or between chairs or cupboards.
- Position the light source on a table at a certain distance behind the screen. Position the screen and the light source so that a suitable amount of space remains between them for the children.
- Organize the classroom in such a way that you can darken it for the time of displaying performances. Remember, the darker around, the better shadows you can obtain.



If the beam produced by the lamp or torch is too wide and is in danger of dazzling the people watching the play, make a cover in the form of a cardboard box with a rectangular hole cut in it, which will make the illuminated area of the screen narrower.

### Before the lesson:

Leave only one source of light on, such as a lamp, before the pupils enter the class. This will illuminate the screen. Gradually immerse the pupils in the magical atmosphere of shadow theater.

## GET CURIOUS

Movement game:

We provide:

- ☒ **We provide:** shapes of animals;
- ☐ a white sheet,
- ☐ a torch or lamp that produces a powerful beam,
- ☐ a line suspended between two stands, such as a hat-and-coat stand, or between chairs or cupboards,
- ☐ a cover in the form of a cardboard box with a rectangular hole cut in it,
- ☐ a blue filter and yellow filter - color tissue paper attached to the light source (optional),

## GET GOING

Writing:

- ☒ **We provide:** cards with the titles of plays written on them,
- ☒ **We provide:** five cards with key words written on them,
- ☐ blank sheets of paper and a pen for each group.

Video/ Slide show:

- ☒ **We provide:** presentation (optional);

Creative expression:

- ☐ a length of thin wire,
- ☐ barbecue sticks,
- ☐ a stiff sheet of paper from a drawing pad,
- ☐ scissors,
- ☐ a sponge or washing up pad,
- ☐ transparent adhesive tape,
- ☐ string.