



SUBJECT-ALIGNED ACTIVITY



CREATURES & CHARACTERS #1

This subject-aligned, adaptive Makedo activity enables interdisciplinary learning, and easily links to global curriculum standards.

Use this resource to support your learners to develop their imagination, design thinking abilities, social-emotional skills, and the 4Cs.

Your learners will love the cardboard construction activities, and will benefit from the time that hands-on, minds-on learning affords them to consider options and consequences, and consolidate thinking and ideas.



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MAKING CATEGORY

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MAKEDO ACTIVITY

Choose a character or creature from a fairytale or novel your class has been studying. Using an excerpt from the text that describes that character or creature, use Makedo tools and up-cycled cardboard to build a model of what students imagine that character or creature to look like.

TAKE IT FURTHER

- Focus on explicit and implicit descriptions. For explicit, students must show evidence of the descriptive words used in the text in their final creation. For implicit, students describe the emotional and / or physical characteristics they have imagined their character to embody.
- Following the above process, have students write their own character descriptions.
- If you have chosen a text that has been made into a film, watch that film. Discuss how the filmmakers have interpreted the creatures or characters, and settings.
- If the description involves how a character moves, consider creating a shadow or actual puppet that explores the movement of that character.
- Have students re-enact a scene from the text using their characters / creatures / puppets.
- If the students' creatures or characters are non-human, have them write a scientific entry for a reference book that describes the biological characteristics and life cycle of the creature or character. Compile the class' pages into a book.

SUBJECTS COVERED

English, SEL, Performing Arts, Science, Design and Technology