

# Wide Mouthed Frog Puppet Instructions

*Each child will need:*

- 1 white lunch size paper bag (We used white bags, but it would probably work just fine with brown bags as well.)
- 1 white paper plate (the cheap kind without a waxy coating works best)
- Red, green, and white tempera paint (use the white to mix with the green to create two different shades of green with which to paint the frog's body.)

*Construction paper cut to the following dimensions:*

- 2 yellow eyes: 2" x 2"
- 2 black eye balls: 1" x 1"
- 1 red tongue: 6" x .5"
- arms and hands: 12" x 9" (one sheet per child makes two arms and hands; copy master on green construction paper.)

Have the children paint the paper plate red on the side where you would put the food, and let it dry. (We had everyone paint a plate without putting their names on them, so that it would not matter whose plate/paper bag they got when it was time to put the puppet together.) Do this a couple of days ahead of time, and then get a volunteer to fold the plates in half. Glue the plates into the fold of a lunch sized paper bag so that the plate forms a mouth as shown in the picture. The red part of the mouth should show when the puppet opens its mouth. Once the plate is dried and glued on, you are ready to go!

To make the puppet, have the children cut off the corners of the yellow and black squares to form circles. Curl the red strip around a pencil to make the tongue curly and then glue it inside the mouth. It turns out best if you paint the body and head of the frog first and then glue on the eyes, but it also works if you want to just let the children dab the green sponge paint around the eyes. Let it dry, and have fun!



# Frog Legs

