

A CREATIVE PROJECT



Materials in this pack

Pattern and instructions

Needle

Thread

Fabric

Stuffing

Square of felt

Pompoms

Wool

Materials you will need to find at home

Scissors

Pencil (or chopstick)

Dressmaking pins (optional)

Buttons (optional)

Hot glue (optional)

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Gallery-inspired fabric creature

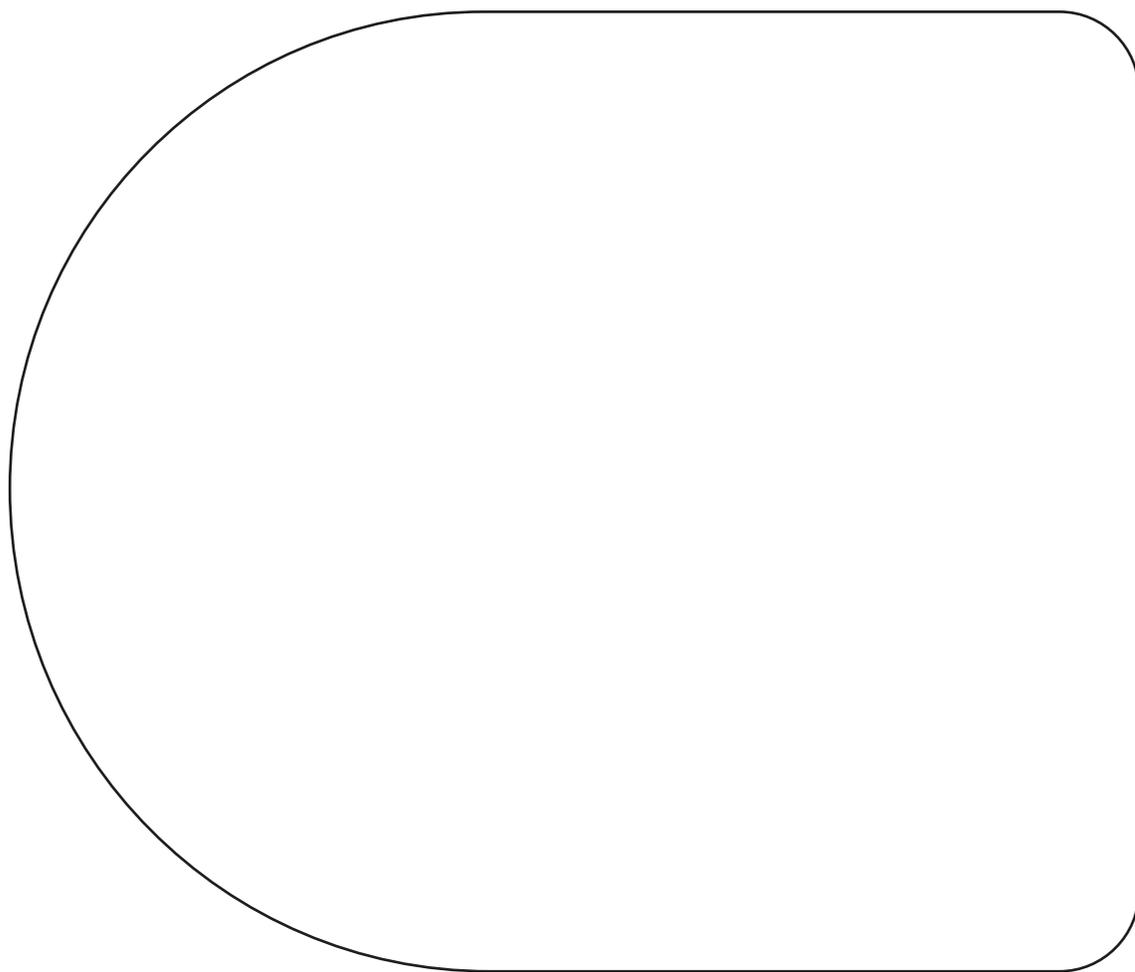
We currently have lots of artworks on display that feature people. Some have happy faces, some sad, and some are a bit strange and unexpected. Today, you will use fabric and thread to create your own soft sculpture creature with an expressive face. You can choose to make it a self-portrait, a portrait of someone you know, or a completely new portrait of someone from your imagination.

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- 1 Cut out the paper pattern.
- 2 Pin it (or hold it) to the fabric and cut around it. Do this twice so that you have two fabric pieces.
- 3 Cut the piece of felt into a shape that will sit within the fabric body. This will be your creature's face.
- 4 Thread the needle with a length of thread and tie a knot in the end. Stitch on some eyes, a mouth, and a nose too if you want. Have one side of your felt as the good side with the best stitching.
- 5 Stitch the face onto one of the pieces of fabric.
- 6 Put the two body pieces together, good sides facing each other, and stitch all the way around the edge, leaving a small gap. Tie off the thread.
- 7 Turn the stitched body inside out so that the good side is now on the outside.
- 8 Using a pencil or chopstick poke the stuffing into the fabric body until it is full.
- 9 Thread the needle and stitch the gap closed.
- 10 Add extra embellishments to your creature if you want – think about a tail, arms or ears, or a scarf or hat. Use leftover felt or fabric, pompoms, buttons, some wool for hair – whatever you fancy. Your fabric creature is now complete!



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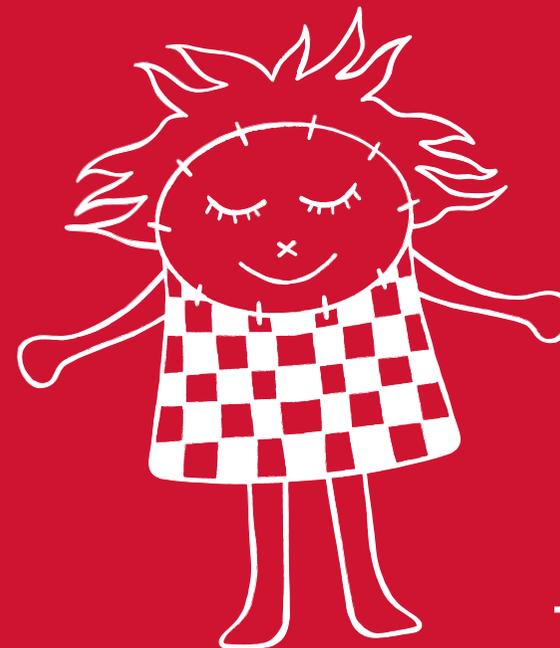


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