



Ghost Decoration

STORE CUPBOARD

- White paper plate
- Black card
- White card
- White crepe paper
- Hole punch
- Thin black ribbon
- Glue
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Sticky tape

Paper Plate Spider

STORE CUPBOARD

- Paper Plate
- Coloured card - black, red and white
- Black paint
- Paintbrush
- 2 googly eyes
- Newspaper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Sticky tape



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To make the Spider

- 1 Begin by covering your work surface with newspaper to protect from paint spills. Roll up your sleeves and wear a painting smock or apron.
- 2 Paint the back of the paper plate black. Leave the paint to dry.
- 3 When the paint is dry, stick on two googly eyes.
- 4 Cut out a smile in red card. Stick in place. Next, cut out two fangs in white card and glue onto the smile.
- 5 Finally, cut out eight legs for your spider in black card. Use sticky tape to attach the legs.

To make the Ghost

- 1 The white paper plate will become the ghost's face. Cut out two eyes and a mouth in black card. Glue them onto the paper plate.
- 2 Use a pencil to draw two arms for your ghost in white card. Neatly cut out with scissors. Attach the arms to the ghost with sticky tape.
- 3 Cut out five 3cm wide strips of white crepe paper. Glue the strips along the bottom edge of the paper plate.
- 4 Finally, punch a hole through the top of the paper plate. Thread through a length of thin black ribbon. Knot the ribbon ends together to make a hanging loop. Your ghost decoration is now ready to hang up on display!

Leafy Ghosts

When you're out and about on a nature walk, take a bag and collect some leaves. When you get back indoors, turn them into an array of friendly ghosts – perfect for a Halloween display!

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STORE CUPBOARD

- Selection of dry leaves
- White acrylic paint
- Paintbrush
- Thick black marker pen or black paint

1 Before you begin, make sure your leaves are nice and clean and dry.

2 Let the children choose a leaf and encourage them to paint it all over with white paint. Leave them to completely dry. You can paint both sides of the leaf if you like.

3 When the paint is thoroughly dry, draw on a ghostly face using either a thick, black marker pen or a little black paint and a thin paintbrush.

4 To display your leaf ghosts, you could string them up in a banner or scatter them around a pumpkin!



ALTERNATIVES

We used Maple leaves for our ghosts as the shape of the leaf gives the ghosts some arms, but this idea works well on any shaped leaf!

Bats & Cats Finger Puppets



BIG BAT

STORE CUPBOARD

- Kitchen roll tube
- Black card
- Grey, white & black paint
- Thick & thin paintbrushes
- Medium sized wiggly eyes
- Silver glittery paper (or glitter glue)
- Small black button
- Strong glue
- Pencil
- Scissors

1 Cut the kitchen roll to 14cm. Push in the top on one side to make a curve. Turn over and push in the other side.

2 Paint with grey paint and leave to dry.

3 Draw the wings on black card and cut out.

4 Glue on the wiggly eyes and button nose.

5 With a thin paintbrush paint on a mouth and triangles for fangs. Let dry.

6 Paint the fangs with white paint and leave to dry.

7 Glue on the wings to the back of the bat.

8 Cut a silver glittery tummy from paper and glue to the front. Or paint on with silver glitter glue.

CAT

STORE CUPBOARD

- Loo roll tube
- Grey & white paint
- Thick paintbrush
- Thin & thin paintbrushes
- Medium sized wiggly eyes
- Silver glittery paper (or glitter glue)
- Small purple & 2 small pink pom-poms
- Black cord or thick string
- Strong glue
- Pencil & scissors

1 Take the loo roll and push in the top on one side to make a curve. Turn over and push in the other side.

2 Paint with grey paint and leave to dry.

3 Glue on the wiggly eyes and pom-poms. Glue on the purple pom-pom as the nose and 2 pink pom-poms as the cheeks.

4 With a thin paintbrush paint on a mouth and 2 whiskers on each side. Let dry.

5 Cut a silver glittery collar and bell from paper and glue to the front. Or paint on with silver glitter glue.

6 Cut a tail from cord. Make it 20cm long and glue inside the loo roll.

SMALL BAT

STORE CUPBOARD

- Loo roll tube
- Black, purple card
- White & black paint
- Thick & thin paintbrushes
- Small wiggly eyes
- Strong glue
- Pencil
- Scissors

1 Cut the loo roll to 9cm. Push in the top on one side to make a curve. Turn over and push in the other side.

2 Paint with black paint and leave to dry.

3 Draw the wings on black card and cut out.

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5 Stick the black and purple wings together.

6 Glue on the wiggly eyes to the bat's body.

7 With a thin paintbrush and white paint, paint on a mouth and triangles for fangs. Let dry.

8 Glue on the wings to the back of the bat.





Halloween Treat Boxes

Make these pumpkin and cat treat boxes from empty wooden cheese boxes to fill with Halloween sweet treats!

STORE CUPBOARD

- One round wooden cheese box
- A5 black corrugated card
- Strip of black corrugated card
- Scraps of yellow, red and white paper
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Pencil

1 Using the templates, cut out the ears, eyes, nose and mouth shapes. Draw around the cheese box with a pencil onto the black corrugated card and cut out.

2 Glue the round piece of corrugated card onto the lid of the cheese box. Cut out a strip of black corrugated card to cover the side of the box and glue into place.

3 Attach both ears folding the glue tab and securing on the side of the box. Stick on the cat's eyes, nose and mouth. Draw on the eye detail with a black felt tip pen.

PUMPKIN

- The pumpkin treat box is made in the same way but using different templates. The pumpkin face and green stem are made from black foam and green card. You could also make spiders or bats!



FUN FACTS!

- Black cats are usually associated with Halloween, but in many cultures such as the UK, Japan and Egypt, black cats are regarded as a symbol of luck.



- Pumpkins first came from North America and carving them with scary faces is a tradition that dates to the Celts.

Pumpkin Prints

0-5 YEARS

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LEARNING ZONES: Exploring & Using Mixed Media



STORE CUPBOARD:

- Orange and black paper
- Glue
- Paints and paintbrush
- Apple
- Black fine liner pen

1 Mix some orange paint onto a plate. Cut an apple in half and use it to print some shapes onto black card.

2 When the shapes are dry, use a fine liner pen to add segments to the pumpkins.

3 Use black and green paint to add spooky features and green stalks.

4 Glue the picture onto some orange card to frame it.

HINTS & TIPS

■ Pat the apple surface with kitchen towel first to dry it off, otherwise it could make the paint runny

■ Use a piece of sponge to dab the paint over the surface of the apple to keep the paint even.

DID YOU KNOW?

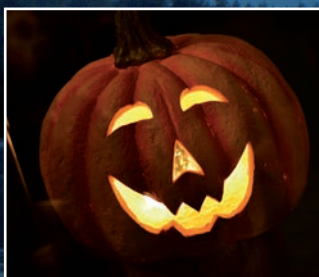
The term Jack-o'-lantern or Will-o'-the-wisp dates to the 1660s and was used to describe a mysterious light seen at night in a marsh.

Later the term Jack-o'-lantern became used for lanterns carved from pumpkins.

In the 1800s, turnips were hollowed out and used as lanterns. Carved with grotesque faces they were used at Halloween in parts of Ireland and Scotland.

The carving of vegetables has been a common practice in many parts of the world.

Gourds were used to carve lanterns by the Maori over 700 years ago. The Maori word for a gourd also describes a lampshade.



■ You could use a plastic corn on the cob holder or cut a 'handle' into your apple half.



DAY OF THE DEAD MASKS

LEARNING ZONES: Art & Design

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A paper plate with a crinkly edge makes a perfect base for creating these colourful Mexican-style masks.

STORE CUPBOARD

- Paper plates
- Scissors
- A black marker pen
- Felt Pens
- Tissue Paper
- Glue
- Wooden skewers
- Sticky tape

HINTS & TIPS

On the tissue paper flowers, a small piece of sticky tape helps to hold them in shape before you stick them to the mask.

1 Draw the skull outline onto a paper plate, then cut it out. Cut out the eye holes (adult may need to help do this).

2 Use a thick marker to outline the edges of the skull. Draw simple patterns around the eyes. Draw a nose and lines for the teeth.

3 Cut a section from a paper plate. Cut the edge into a frill or curvy pattern and glue to the top of the skull.

4 Colour the skull with doodle patterns in felt pen. Try adding dots, flowers, spirals or hearts.

5 Twist some pieces of tissue paper into flowers, then glue onto the skulls.

6 Tape a painted wooden skewer to the back of the mask so you can hold it.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Day of the Dead is a three day Mexican holiday (31st October - 2nd November) to remember those who have died. Traditions include: marigolds (the flowers of the dead); highly decorated and edible sugar skulls; decorations; incense, and traditional foods.



DANCING SKELETONS

Hang these wiggly skeletons in a doorway or near a window where they can move around. Perfect for a Halloween party or to decorate your room!

DESIGNED BY CHARLOTTE STOWELL



STORE CUPBOARD

- Coloured card
- A pencil
- Scissors
- Wire ties – from freezer bags or bin bags
- A hole punch
- Thick felt pens
- Paints
- Brushes
- Thread or string

1 Copy the skeleton template shapes onto coloured card.

You will need: 1 x head, 1 x body, 4 x arm bones, 2 x hands, 2 x long leg bones and 2 x leg bones with feet.

2 Cut out all the shapes then outline each piece with a thick marker pen.

Fill in the shapes with patterns using coloured markers or paint. Leave to dry.

3 To see where the pieces link together, arrange them on the floor or on a table to make the skeleton shape. Punch holes at the top and bottom of the head and each arm piece. On the body, make 2 extra holes on the shoulders for the arms and 2 at the base. The hands and feet/leg bones just need holes at the top.

4 To join the pieces, hold 2 card shapes next to one another then push a wire tie through both holes and twist the ends of the wire into a loop. Continue until all 12 pieces for the skeleton are linked together.

5 Tie a piece of coloured thread or wool through the top to hang the skeleton.

HINTS & TIPS

- When the card pieces are linked together, check the wire ties aren't too tight so the skeleton can dangle and move.



MONSTER POTS

LEARNING ZONES: Art & Design ★ Exploring & Using Media

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Save your plastic pots to make these re-cycled monsters!



STORE CUPBOARD:

- Plastic yoghurt pots
- Plastic bottle tops
- Sticky tape
- Glue
- Tissue Paper
- Bubble wrap
- Paint brushes
- Coloured paper
- String
- Beads & buttons



1 Tape 2 matching yoghurt pots or small plastic containers together.

2 Brush glue over the pots then cover with coloured tissue paper strips. Leave to dry.

3 Brush paint over some bubble wrap and press it over the monster shape to print a pattern onto the surface. Leave to dry.

4 Use bottle tops, beads, buttons, card shapes and string for the eyes and mouths. Glue down all the pieces and leave to dry.

5 To hang up the pots, make a hole in the tops (adult). Push a loop of string into the hole with a blob of glue to hold it in place.

Alternatively, paste the ends of the string loop onto the pot with tissue paper over the top when you are covering it in Step 2.

ALTERNATIVES

- Make several monster pots and thread them on a long piece of string for a hand-made Halloween window display or as a party decoration.



FRIGHT NIGHT!

MUMMY JAM JAR LANTERN

STORE CUPBOARD:

- Glass jam jar
- White self-adhesive bandage (2.5cm width)
- 2 large googly eyes
- LED tea light
- Scissors
- Glue

1 Make sure the jam jar is clean and dry. Take the white self-adhesive bandage and wrap it around the jar to make the mummy design. Trim the bandage when finished.

2 Glue on the pair of large googly eyes.

3 Place an LED tea light inside the mummy lantern to give a warm glow. Place it on your windowsill at Halloween



HALLOWEEN SILHOUETTE PICTURE

STORE CUPBOARD:

- A3 sheet of orange card
- Black card
- Paint – in red and yellow
- Sponge
- Paper plate
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Craft knife and cutting mat (optional)
- Glue

1 Position the large sheet of orange card so that it is landscape orientation. Place it on a flat surface ready for painting. You may wish to put some sheets of newspaper underneath the card to protect your work surface from paint spills.

2 Squeeze blobs of red and yellow paint onto a paper plate. Take a lightly dampened sponge and dip it into the paint.

3 Apply paint to the large orange sheet using the sponge. You will be creating the background of your silhouette picture so make it bright and colourful, to contrast with the black design. Let the paint fully dry before moving onto the next step.



4 Take the black card and a pencil. Sketch out some spooky silhouettes for your picture. Ideas could include: a haunted house, ghosts, a black cat, bats, a witch etc. Keep the designs reasonably simple as you will need to carefully cut out the details. Neatly cut out the silhouettes.

5 If necessary, use a craft knife and cutting mat to cut out any fine detail.

6 Glue the black silhouettes in place to complete your spooky Halloween picture!

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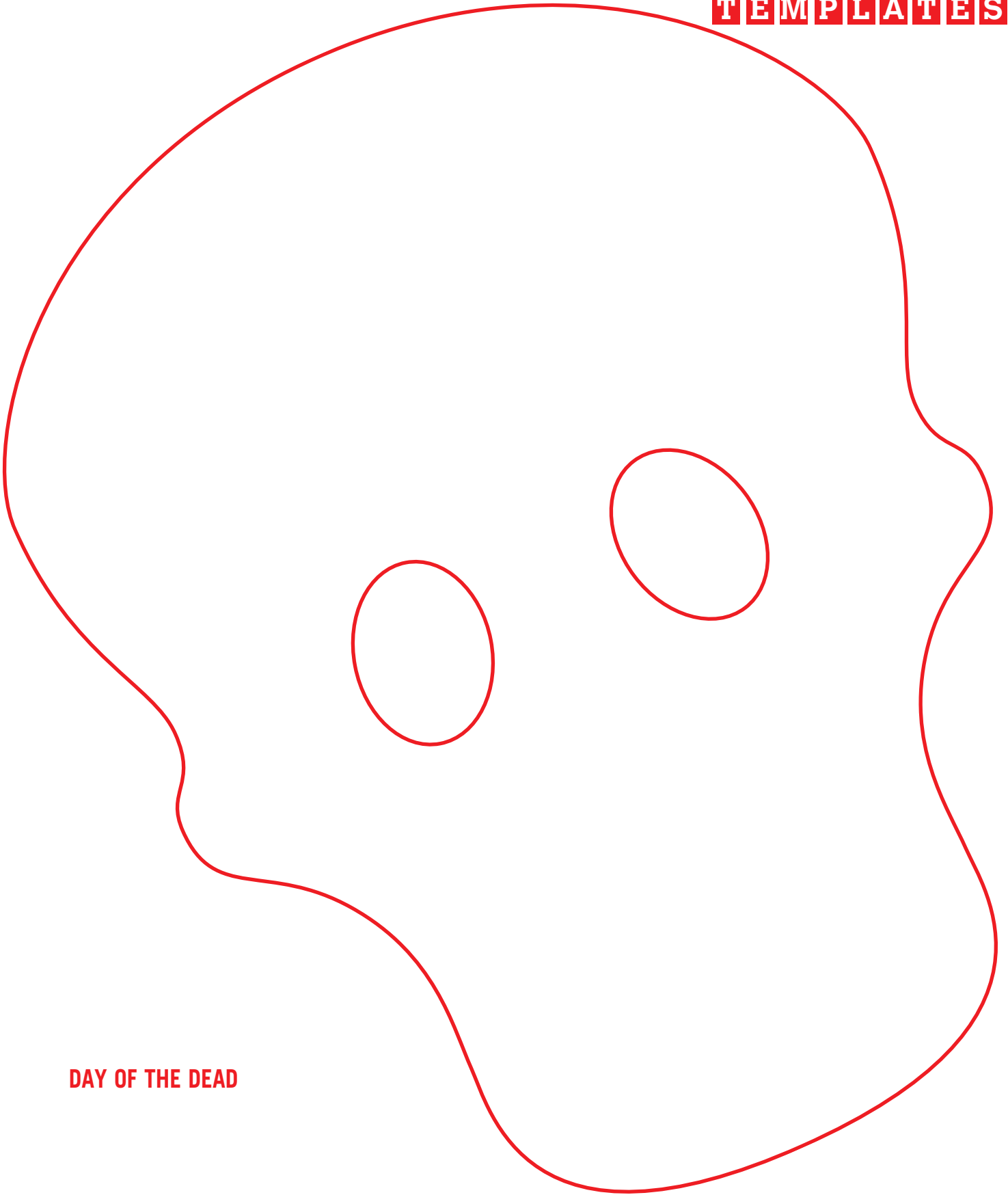
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BAT PUPPET



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