

Animated Faces

We'd love to hear how you get on with (and develop) the activity, so please let us know!



*ideas

What you will need:

- Pre cut strips of paper (A4 cut into 4 and folded in half)
- Pencils/pens

Aim:

- There's something magic about being able to bring your characters to life and make them move. Create simple two frame animations that can stimulate ideas for creative writing and character design.

Instructions:

- Cut a sheet of landscape A4 into 4 vertical strips. Fold these strips in two.
- Ask participants to lift the folded piece of paper and draw their character on the lower 2 thirds of the paper. It helps if character has a funny expression, head and shoulders are particularly effective.
- Fold the top piece of paper back over the completed drawing. Trace the drawing underneath making some small changes, eg eyes blinking, mouth moving, eyes popping etc;
- Using a pencil, roll the top piece of paper up, relax the roll and on a flat surface use the pencil to flip the top layer up and down. Watch the characters come to life!



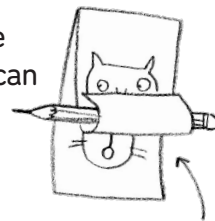
fold here



draw on bottom layer



trace original drawing on top layer, changing features slightly



roll top layer round a pencil



flip up and down



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