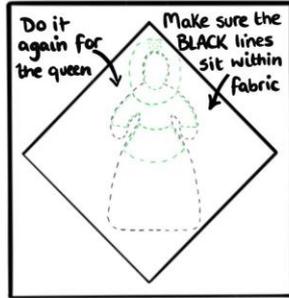
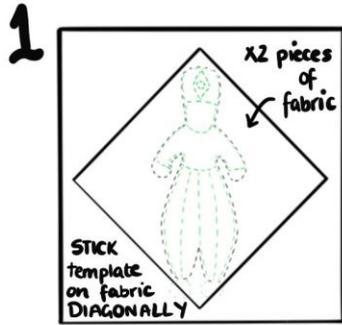


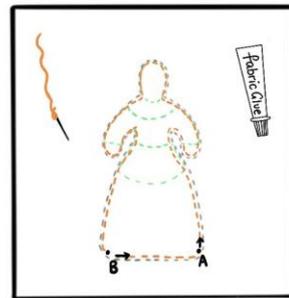
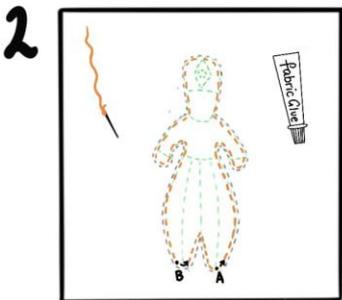
MAKING KATHPUTLI PUPPETS



Cut out the King and Queen separately from the Template Sheet. The green dotted lines are a rough guide for any decorations you may want to add later as a visual aid. It's completely up to you how you decorate your puppets.

Cut your templates with the black lines within the fabric. You can use material you already have or use felt quarters. Use two sheets of fabric.

Stick the paper template onto the fabric before trimming around the fabric using scissors.

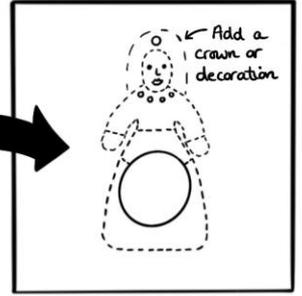
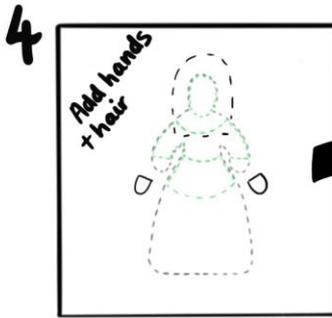
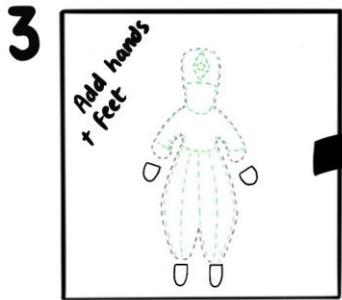


Use a basic straight stitch or glue the edges of the fabric in step A. Stop and add stuffing, any spare bits of material if you want a 3D effect. Continue with Step B. Wait for the glue to dry if you used it before the next step.

Tip: Keep a cloth or kitchen roll handy to wipe your hands if needed between steps.

For Steps 3 and 4 glue the shapes on for the hands, feet and ovals for heads. I used a brown felt but you can use any colour you like. Following on from this, cut out shapes you might want for trousers, tops, skirts etc and glue them on as you go. Thinking of it as colouring in your puppets with different coloured material.

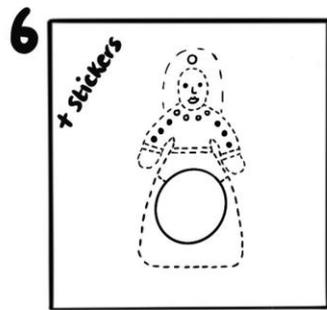
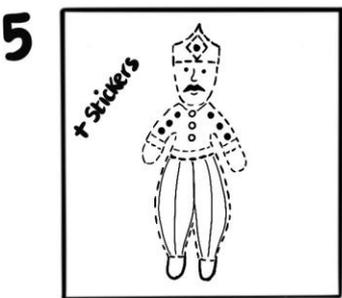
You can use saree ribbon, sequins, etc.



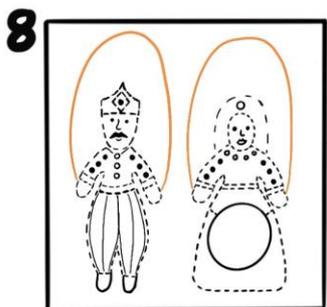
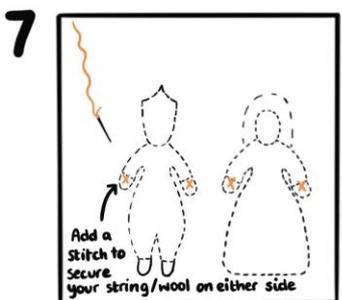
Don't forget to add decoration like a crown, I used a basic crown shape with a diamond in the middle. I also used mini pom-poms which are really fun

Add little details such as facial expressions using a permanent fine liner and stickers

Decorate the reverse of the puppets if you want- it's optional. Leave them overnight to dry. Turning over each puppet one by one, add a long string to each, securing the string with a stitch on the back of the king or queens hands like shown. Trim any excess threads or material to tidy up.



WAIT FOR IT TO DRY!



ALL DONE!

Above all: Have lots of fun and see where your creativity takes you

TIP: You can recreate your favourite characters from story books for a mini play or have a mini music concert