Pirate finger puppet
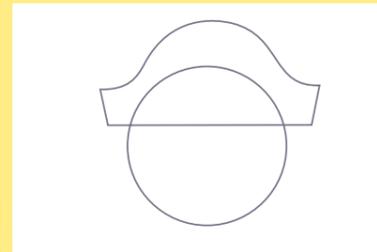
1. Draw a circle above the body for the pirate's head. Draw a line across the top of the head, then draw a shape for a hat.

2. Add a scarf below the hat. Draw the eyes, nose, mouth and ears. Then, add hands at the end of the arms, and draw the clothes.

You could add a beard, too.

Decorate the pirate with the skull and crossbones from your bag.

3. Draw circles on the pirate's legs, where your fingers will go. Use felt-tips to colour everything in. Then, cut around the pirate.
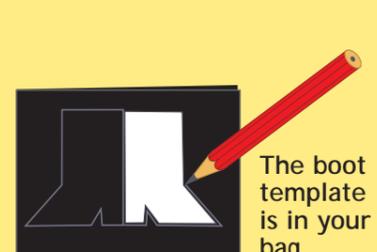
Draw a skirt if you want to make a girl.

4. Lay your pirate's legs on a piece of black, brown or blue paper. Draw around them and cut them out to make a pair of trousers.

Press the trousers onto the top of the legs.

5. Cut up into the circles on the pirate's legs, then cut them out. Spread glue along the top of the paper trousers and press them on.
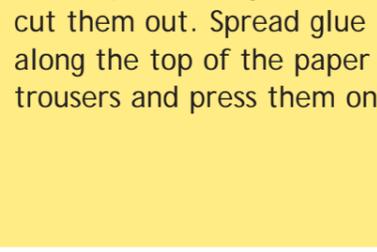
The boot template is in your bag.

6. For the boots, fold some black paper in half. Draw around the boot template, then turn it over and draw around it again, like this.
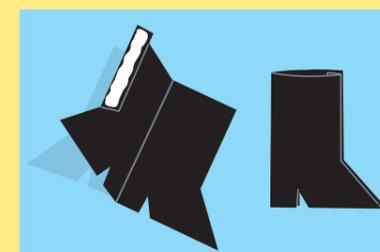
Push your fingers through the holes, then push on the boots and wiggle your fingers.
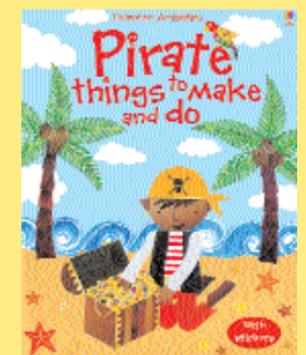
The tab is used when you glue the boots together.

7. Draw a tab on the side of one of the boot outlines. Then, holding the layers together, cut around the shape, including the tab.

8. Fold one of the boots in half, then fold the tab inside the boot, glue it and press hard. Make the other boot in the same way.

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