

King Solomon's Paper Bag Wisdom Owl



1 Kings 3:12 behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you.

Before disobeying God's commandments, King Solomon was the wisest man who ever lived. God gifted him with unsurpassed **wisdom**. **Wisdom** is more than knowledge, more than common sense, more than education, more than street smarts. **Wisdom** is understanding God's ways. How do we find **wisdom**? We start with studying God's word. According to one Christian tradition, owls represent the **wisdom of Christ**.

MATERIALS:

- Paper lunch bag
- Wisdom Owl Templates (to follow) **2 Options:**
 - a) Print 1 copy of each template for each child to color
 - b) Print 1 copy of templates to use as a pattern and cut out pieces using (brown, yellow, orange) colored construction paper.
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Glue
- Brown, yellow, orange construction paper

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **PRINT** the templates and give one copy to each child. Color and cut out.

Get Familiar with Your Paper Bag: *It's important that the kids get the back and front straight at the beginning!*

- Look at your paper bag. It should be closed and flat like a piece of paper. Just like when they are brand new.
- On one side, is completely smooth. This will be the **BACK** of your puppet
- On the other side there's a flippy tab (which is typically the bottom of the bag when you're carrying it around...) This flippy tab will be the **HEAD**
- Lift the flippy tab up a bit. Underneath of the tab will be the mouth, When the child puts her hand in the bag, she'll be able to make the puppet talk.
- Look at the rest of the front of the bag. (The 3/4 or so of the bag below the part with the flippy tab) This will be the **BODY**.
- Look at the sides of the bag. There should be a **FLAP** of paper. We'll be slipping the wings into this flap.

2. **ASSEMBLE** your puppet:

- Glue the large (brown) triangle to the top of the **HEAD**
- Glue the (yellow) eyes onto the **HEAD** slightly overlapping the triangle. If you like, you can use wiggly eyes instead of the paper template pieces.
- Glue the (orange) beak under the eyes. It will likely hang down over a little bit of the **BODY**. Make sure you just put glue on top of the beak (where it touches the **HEAD**) so you don't end up gluing the mouth shut.
- Glue the second (orange) beak into the mouth. When the mouth is closed you shouldn't see this second triangle. When the puppet's mouth is open you will.
- Glue the (brown) wings into the **FLAP**.
- Glue the (brown or white) tummy onto the **BODY**.
- Glue the (orange) feet onto the bottom of the **BODY**.