

## How to make a finger puppet fox

**You will need:** cardboard roll, pencil, white paper, black felt tip pen or fine nib marker, paint (orange, which can be made by mixing red and yellow, and white), thin card (from a cereal box or similar), glue stick, sticky tape.

### Instructions:

1. Gently press down and inwards the top of the cardboard roll so that you form the fox's ears.
2. Draw a bushy tail shape on a piece of thin card and cut out.
3. Paint the cardboard roll and the tail in a bright orange. You can leave the tip of the fox's tail white (if that's the colour of your thin card) or paint it white. Leave to dry.
4. Using a scrap of white paper, draw and cut out a small heart shape; this will be the face of your fox. Add features using the felt tip pen or fine nib marker.
5. Once the cardboard tube is dry, use glue to stick the white paper face onto it. Also attach the tail to the back of the cardboard tube using glue and sticky tape.
6. Your fantastic fox is ready to use as a puppet. Put several fingers into the base of the body of the fox (cardboard roll) and make up a play or story about your fox's adventures.

**Fun facts: the Museum has a fox on display in the special exhibition Cabinets of Curiosity. Foxes are a member of the dog family and they live anywhere from the town to the countryside. The name of their home is a den or an earth. A male fox is called a dog, a female fox is a vixen, and a baby fox is a cub.**

