

Snake with hair

SOCK
PUPPETS

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YOU WILL NEED

- ✓ Two ping pong balls for eyes
- ✓ Two googly eyes
- ✓ Two small buttons for nostrils
- ✓ Felt fabric for tongue
- ✓ Wool for hair
- ✓ Sewing needle and thread
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Glue
- ✓ An adult to help

DIFFICULTY

EASY

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METHOD

Read through the instructions carefully and gather all of the materials needed before you start.

1



Start by creating your snake's mouth. Put your hand into the sock and tuck the toe of the sock inwards.

2



Using a hand-sewing needle and thread stitch the corners of snake's mouth so the shape is secure.



3



Cut out a forked tongue for your snake, make sure it's long enough so it sticks out even when its mouth is closed.



Now stitch it into place, in the back of its mouth.

4



To create your snake's hair you will need a ball of knitting wool. Unwind the wool and create a long loop about 35 cm top to bottom. Continue looping the wool like this until you have enough for hair. Using a small length of wool make a knot over the middle of the loop. This is your centre parting. Stitch this onto your snake's head. Then give it a haircut, snipping through the loops at the bottom of the strands.



5



Using a thick hand-sewing needle or skewer make 3 holes in your ping pong balls in a triangle shape. Make these holes over the logo or writing on the ball and they will be hidden at the back.

6



Place the eyes onto your snake. At this point it's a good idea to rough out where you'll place the eyes and nostrils. Using a hand-sewing needle, stitch through the sock and through the holes in the ping pong ball to securely attach each eye in turn. When they are both stitched on you may need a blob of glue between the ping pong ball eyes to keep them steady.



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Stick your snakes googly eyes on to the ping pong balls.
Most have a sticky back, but if not use some glue.

8



Using a hand-sewing needle and thread, securely stitch on
your snake's nostrils.

Your snake is now ready to play with! Give it a suitably
snakey name.