

MAKE ANANSI

The Activity

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What you need:

- balloons
- newspaper
- 5 lbs. of flour (for about 20 students)
- big pail and small dishes for papier mache mixture
- black and white tempera paint and brushes
- black pipe cleaners
- tape

What to do:

1. Have each student inflate a balloon.
2. Cover each desk with a sheet of newspaper.
3. Tear remaining newspaper into one-inch strips.
4. Distribute strips of paper.
5. Mix flour and water into a paste. Put in dishes (you may want to do this in advance), and distribute.
6. Dip strips of paper in the paste and wrap around balloon. After two layers, stop and let dry over night.
7. When dry, tape on pipe cleaners and bend so they look like legs.
8. Then wrap two more layers of papier mache and let dry overnight.
9. Pop and remove balloon.
10. Paint body black.
11. Paint eyes white.

NOW YOU HAVE YOUR VERY OWN ANANSI !!!!