

# Simple Dragon Puppet

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A finger controlled dragon puppet.

You will need:

- Printer
- 2 x sheets of white card (around 160-200 gsm is best)
- Coloured pencils/pens (optional)
- Craft knife or scissors
- Stick glue or similar
- Approximately 1m of embroidery or thick thread

Instructions:

1. Print out the two template pages.
2. Colour in prior to cutting out (optional).
3. Cut around the dragon bodies using the grey line as a guide.
4. Score the line between the feet lightly, this will create a fold in the card, and fold the card so the two bodies face each other as accurately as possible.
5. Use a small amount of glue at the head, tip of tail and the middle of the body to attach the bodies together for support.
6. Take the printed wings, and cut out using the grey line as a guide. Score lightly along the dotted line and fold down. This will be the bend for the wing.
7. Glue the wings using the small crescent shaped bend onto the matching shape on the body of the dragon. Take care to ensure they are as symmetrical as possible.
8. Pierce holes for the thread using the grey holes as a guide.
9. Take a 50cm length of thread, fold in half and create a loop at the end that will fit your fingers, try and make these as even as you can. This will leave two threads coming from it, even in length.
10. Using the ends, guide the thread through the holes in the wings (a needle may help if you struggle). Repeat on both wing. Tie a knot big enough to keep the thread from slipping through the hole. Use one looped thread for the wings, and one for the body.
11. Repeat step 11 with the body of the dragon.
12. Place one loop around your index finger, and one around your middle finger. Alternating your fingers up and down will make the dragon fly.

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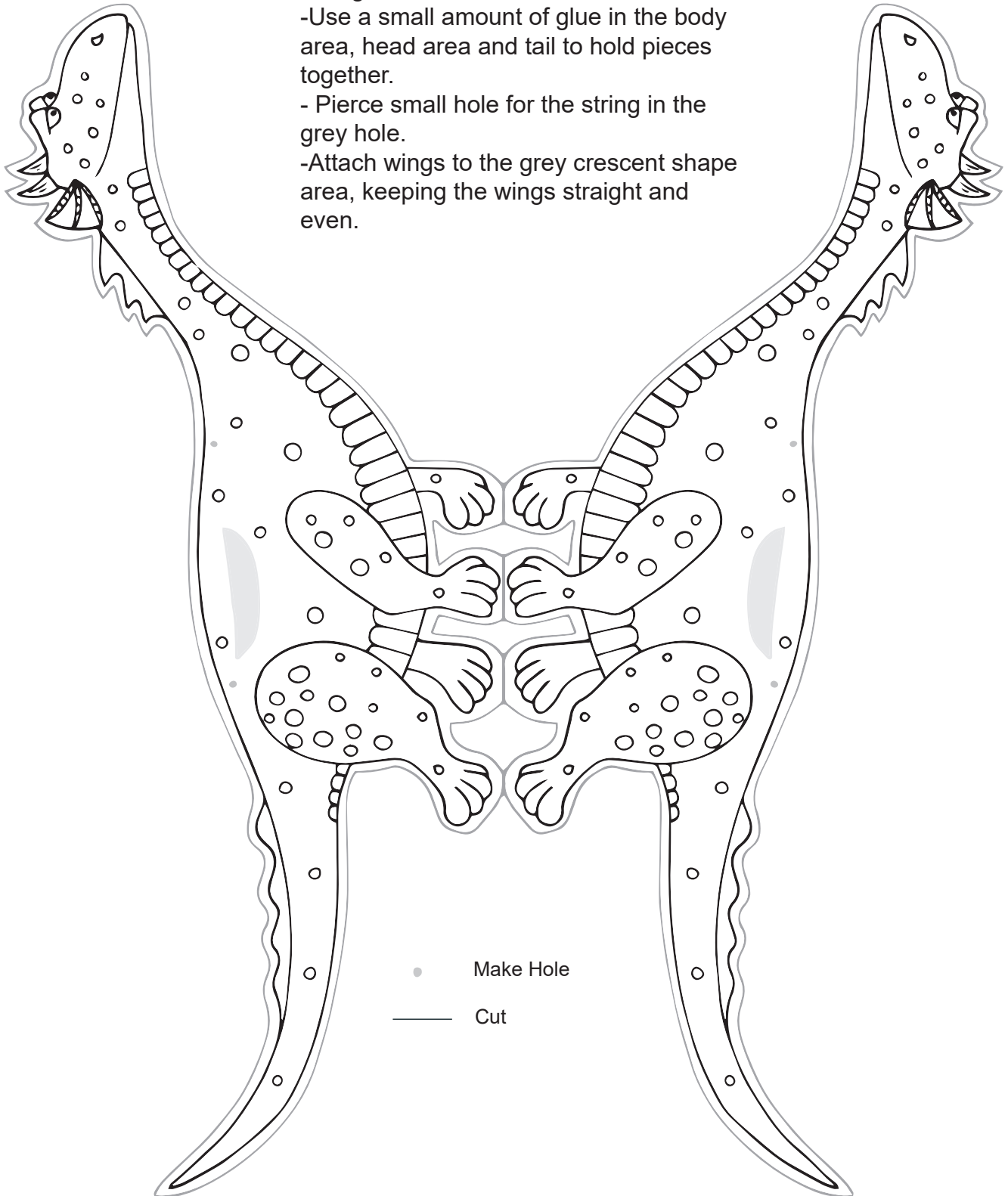
-Cut out shape using the grey line as a guide.

-Score gently on the grey line between the feet and fold, so that the two bodies sit together.

-Use a small amount of glue in the body area, head area and tail to hold pieces together.

- Pierce small hole for the string in the grey hole.

-Attach wings to the grey crescent shape area, keeping the wings straight and even.



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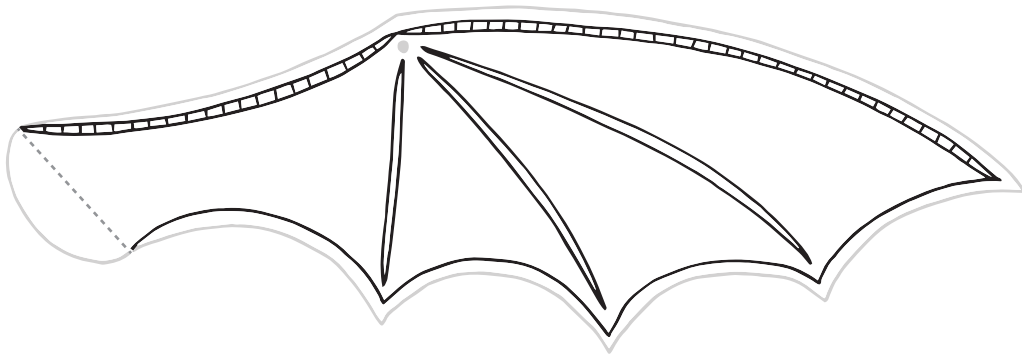
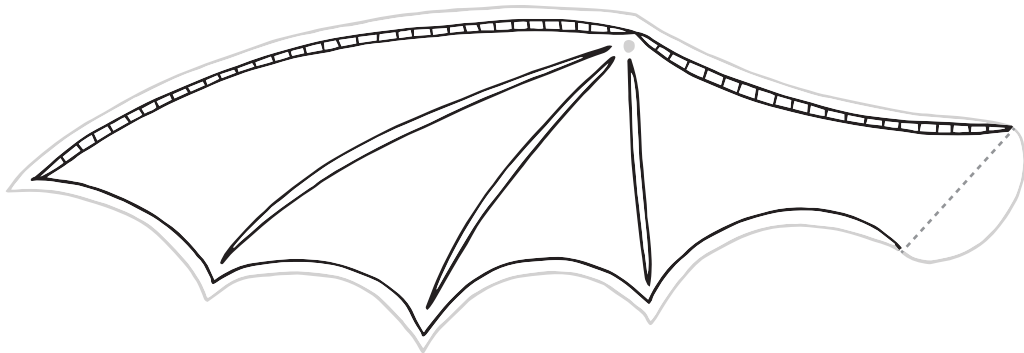
-Cut out shape using the grey line as a guide.

- Pierce small hole for the string in the grey hole.

Score gently on the dashed line for the bend of the wing.

-Attach wings to the grey crescent shape area on the body, keeping the wings straight and even.

Tip - it is best to colour in prior to cutting.



● Make Hole

----- Score Line

— Cut line