

HORNIMAN MUSEUM

Activity 3: Hand Shadow Puppets Horse and Snake

Find a white or light coloured wall in a darkened room.
Place a lamp behind you so that you can cast shadows on the wall or you could ask someone to hold a torch.

Try making these 2 hand shadow puppets come to life!
You will need 2 thin strips of paper for the snake puppet's tongue!

Horse



Try making the horse look as if it is galloping!
Raise and lower your hands, moving the shadow along the wall.

Snake



Put the 2 thin strips of paper between your 1st and 2nd fingers and make the snake hiss!

A **cobra** string puppet from India can be seen in our *Puppets from around the world* handling session for schools.

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Activity 4 - Hand Shadow Puppets Crocodile and Elephant

Find a white or light coloured wall in a darkened room.

Place a lamp behind you so that you can cast shadows on the wall or you could ask someone to hold a torch.

Try making these 2 hand shadow puppets come to life!

Crocodile



Keeping your wrists together and your fingers still, move your 2 hands apart and together quickly to make the crocodile snap!

A **crocodile** hand puppet (from Punch & Judy) can be seen in our *Puppets from around the world* handling session for schools.

Elephant



Pretend to pick up some food with the 2 middle fingers of your left hand (the trunk) and curl them around up into the elephant's mouth!