

HAND PUPPETS

The patterns need to be precut out of poster board for the students to use as stencils.

Supplies

Puppet Patterns
Felt and Felt Scraps
Felt-tip Markers

Scissors
Fabric Glue
Sewing Machine and Thread (optional)

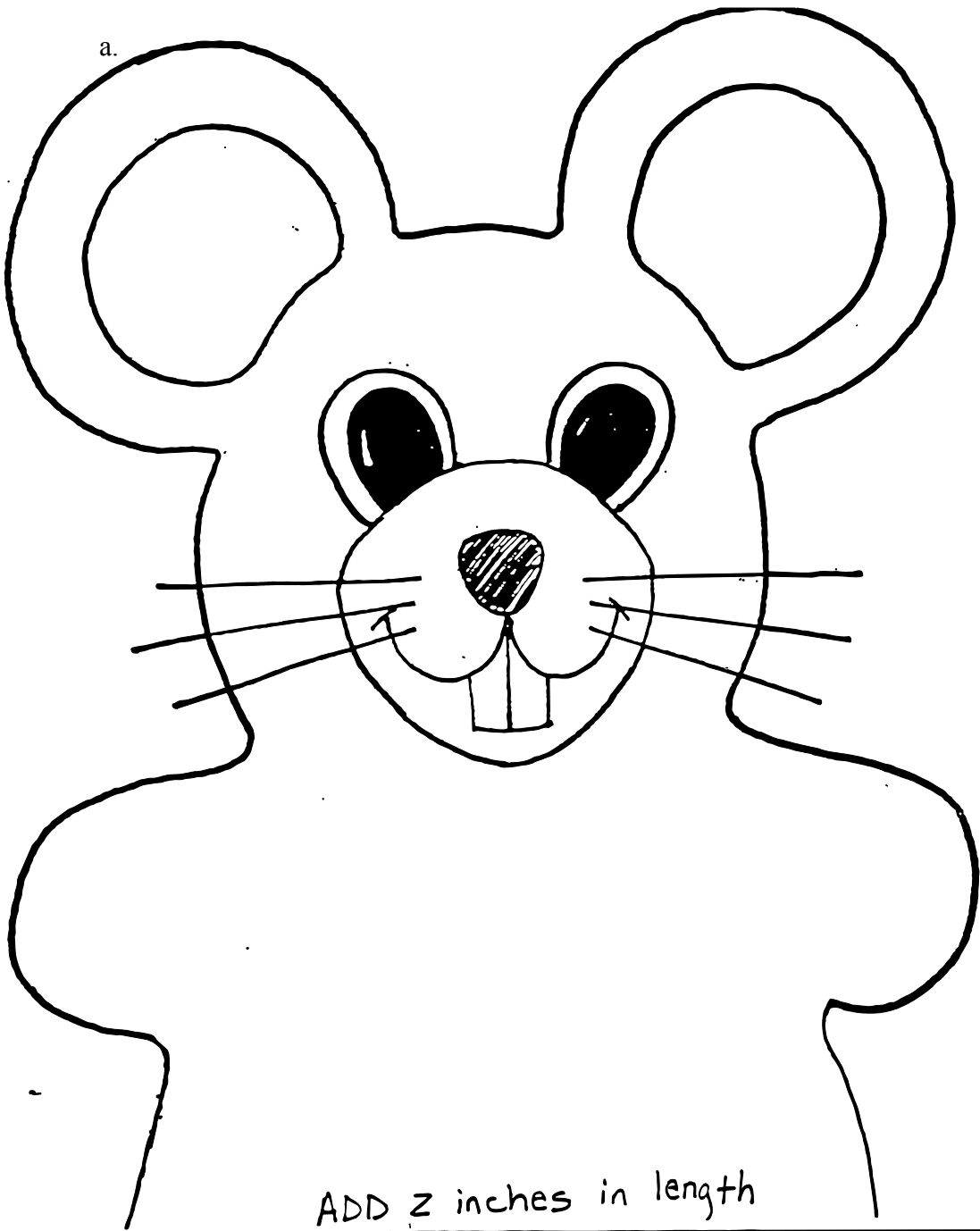
Instructions

1. Get the supplies from your teacher.
2. Make your puppet.
 - a. Select a pattern you wish to use. (Patterns need to be enlarged some.)
 - b. Trace the pattern onto one piece of felt.
 - c. Pin a second piece of felt to the back of the felt with the traced outline. (Be sure the traced outline is on the outside where you can see it.)
 - d. Using sharp scissors, cut out your puppet pieces.
 - e. Using small pieces of felt and glue and markers, make a face on one puppet piece.
 - f. Place a line of glue around the edge of the back piece. Place the front piece (with the face) on top to form a puppet. (Sewing around the edge of your puppet with a straight stitch on the sewing machine will make your puppet hold together longer.)
3. Clean up your work area and return the supply kit to your teacher.
4. Using your imagination, write a short, silly story that uses the puppets you have just made. Each group member should have an opportunity to say something during the story. Some guidelines for your simple story are:
 - Keep the story short.
 - Use sentences that repeat because children like to hear the same thing over and over.
 - Make your story fun.
 - Use all the characters that you have made.
 - Make your story violence free.

When a person tells stories to children, he/she should

- Consider the age level of the children.
 - Talk clearly and slowly.
 - Be dramatic.
5. Practice telling the story before telling it to the children.

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ADD 2 inches in length

