

Puppet Ministry Workshop

Basics of puppetry

- 1) The puppet is dead. You bring it to life.
- 2) What not to do with a puppet - bite, play
- 3) Move only your thumb
- 4) How to hold your hand/arm
- 5) Eye contact
- 6) Intro & exits
- 7) Lip Synch - drop the jaw, syllables
- 8) Placement and height

Types of puppets

- 1) Finger
- 2) Sock
- 3) Hand
- 4) Ventriloquist puppets
- 5) Rod Arm
- 6) Black light
- 7) Shadow
- 8) Marionettes
- 9) Full body puppets

Types of stages

- 1) Permanent stages
- 2) Portable - PVC, Telescoping metal
- 3) Doorway puppet stage - <https://thepuppetstore.com/collections/stages-skits-accessories/products/doorway-puppet-theater>
- 4) Walking puppet stage

Where to buy puppets

- 1) One Way UK
- 2) Amazon
- 3) Etsy
- 4) The Puppet Store
- 5) Make your own - <https://puppetnerd.com/>, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9NfVw9AgqE&t=1s>

Where to get stages

- 1) Presto Stage - www.prestostage.com
- 2) Amazon
- 3) Etsy
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How to use puppets

- 1) Songs
- 2) Scripted lessons
- 3) Introducing lesson, teaching Bible story, verse
- 4) Videoed - Only the puppet or back and forth
- 5) Teach children to use puppets