Nativity Farm Animals

Puppets for storytelling. Created by:

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<u>Directions</u>: This printable set was created to help animate the stories your child loves with puppets. These animals are also helpful for animating the nativity scene at Christmas.

There are six animals including:

Horse Donkey Sheep Cow Goat Chicken

Activities: Grown-ups can help the child assemble the puppets. There are two versions of each puppet. An "easy" to assemble puppet and a more "complex" version that requires more effort to cut, color, and glue to put together. I threw in a few extras at the end.

Use yarn, string, pom-poms or other "furry" embellishments for animals' fur. You can add "google" eyes for the eyes. Use puffy paint, finger-paints, colored sand, or other art supplies to add texture.

You can use the puppets to tell stories or you can use them in song, such as "Old McDonald had a Farm." They can be used as a teaching tool – tell your child about the sounds each animal makes, where it lives and what food it likes to eat.

These puppet pieces are designed to be used with standard brown bag lunch sacks that measure 10 $5/8 \times 5 1/8 \times 3 1/8$ inches.

Have fun creating storytelling puppets with your little-one(s).

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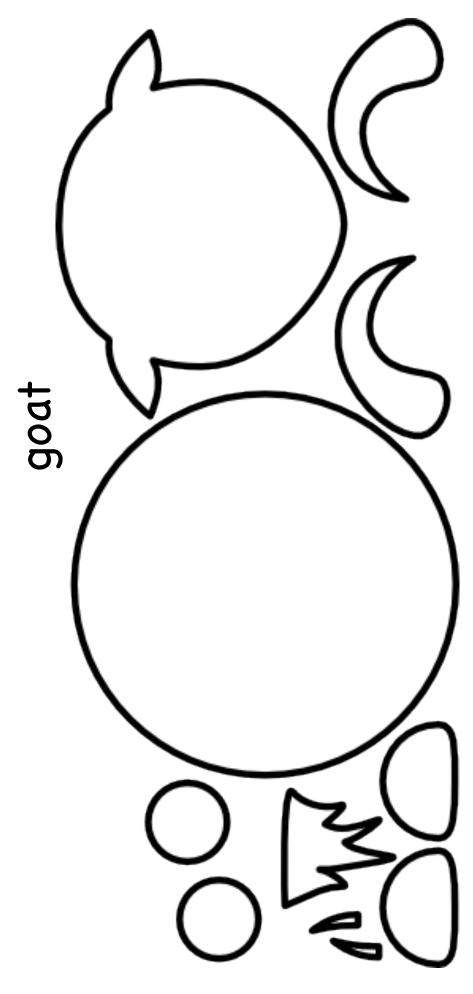
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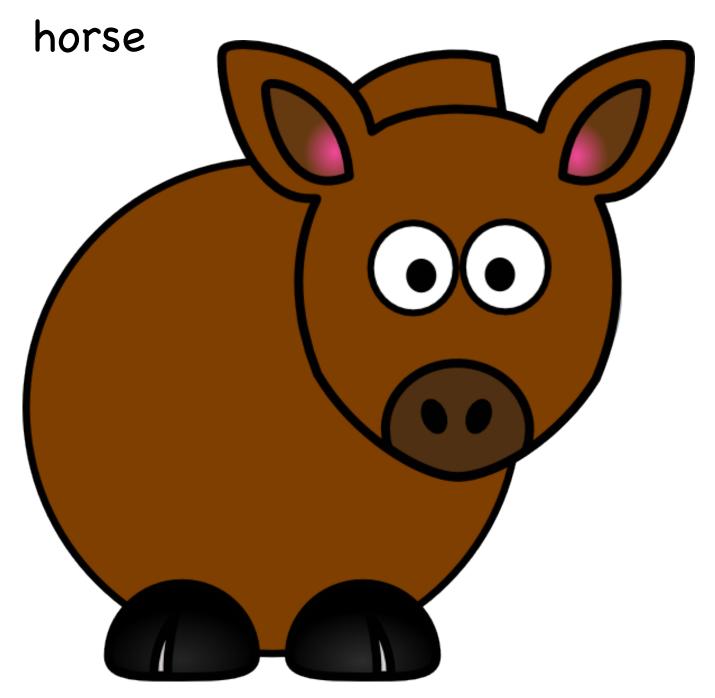


donkey

bottom of the brown paper sack so that when you move the "mouth" of the sack together the parts of a puzzle. The adult or the child can color each piece and previous version, but it's the extra-effort required by this version that makes it more of a craft. Once the face and body are assembled, glue the face onto the then cut and assemble the puppet. This version will be a bit smaller than the This version is more complex but allows you to challenge your child to piece it looks as though the puppet is talking. Feel free to embellish as desired.

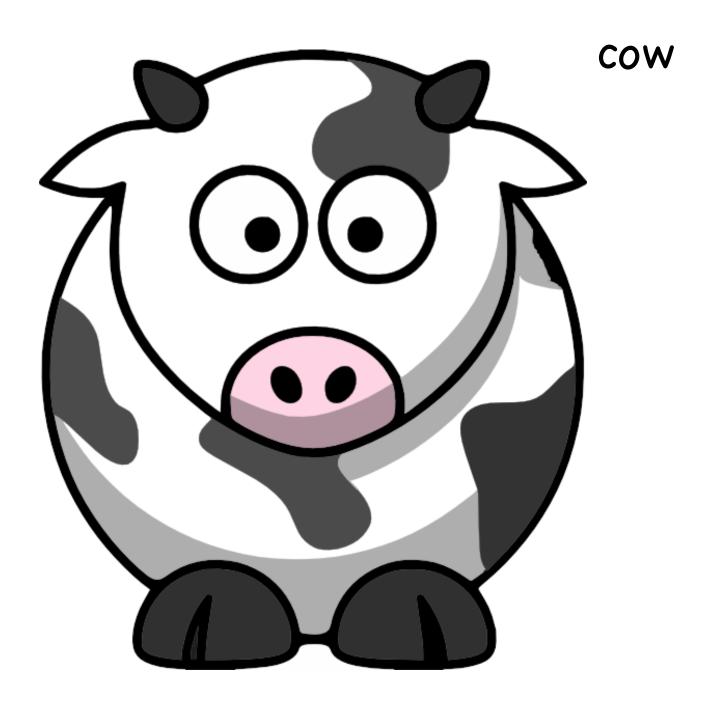


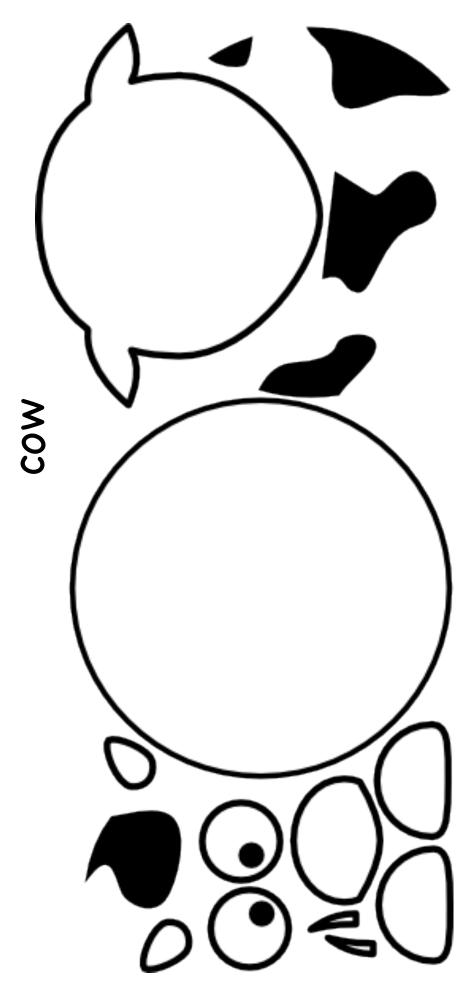




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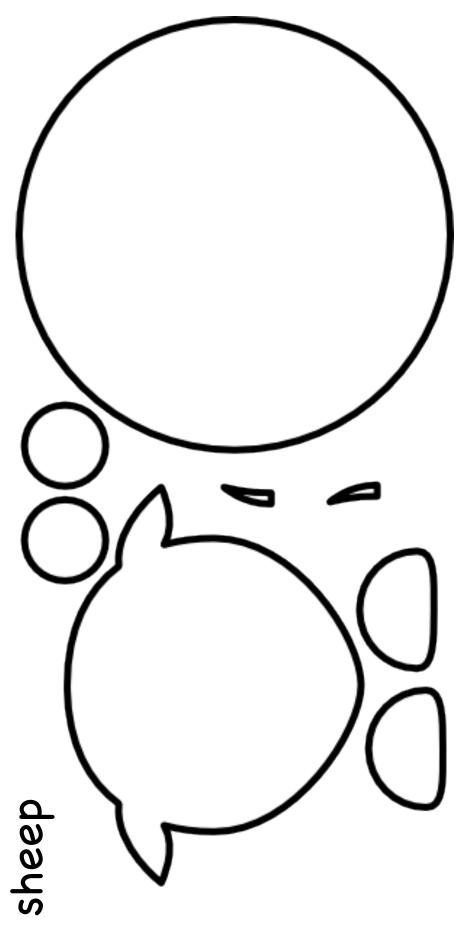


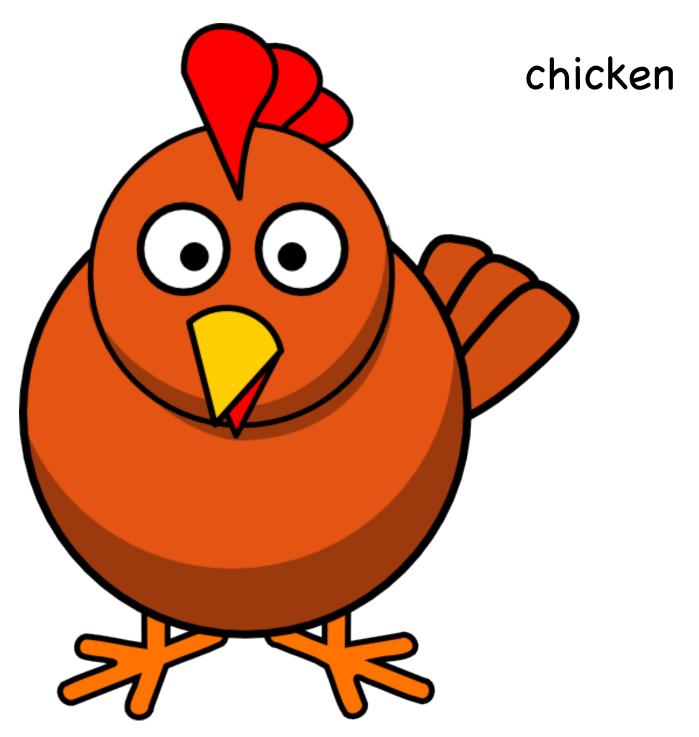


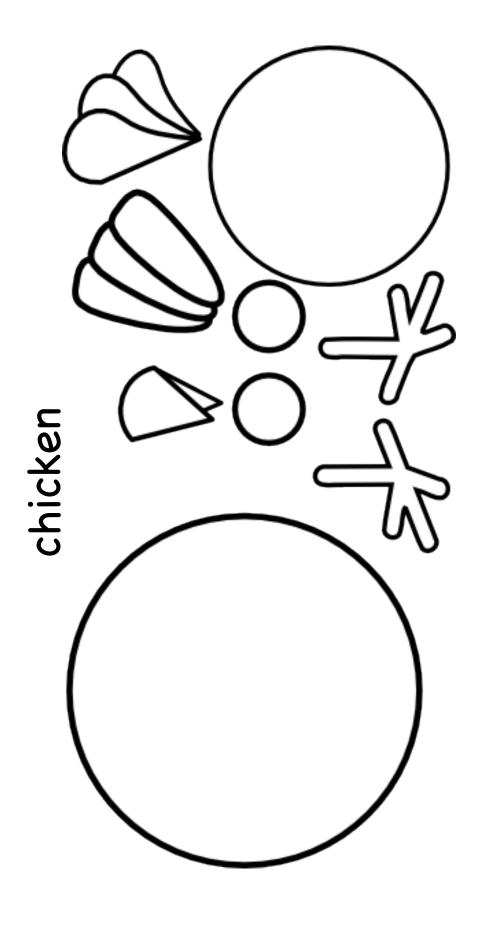
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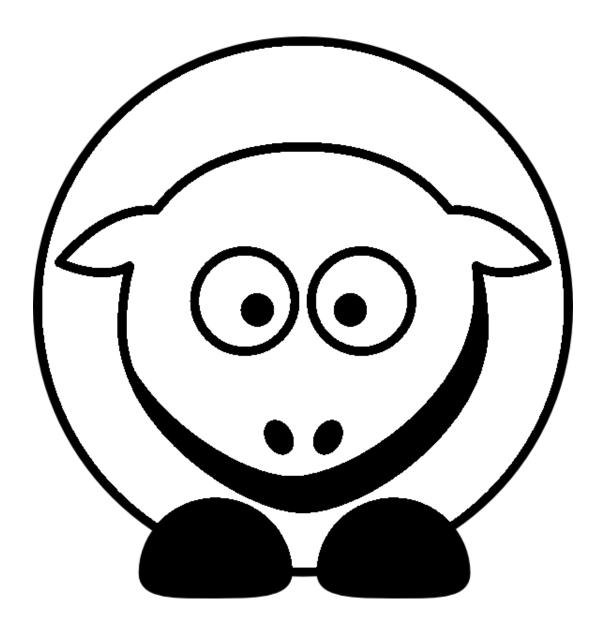
Easy to assemble version. Just cut into two parts — the head and the body. Paste the face/head onto the bottom of the brown paper sack so that when you move the "mouth" of the sack it looks as though the puppet is talking. Feel feel free to embellish as desired.



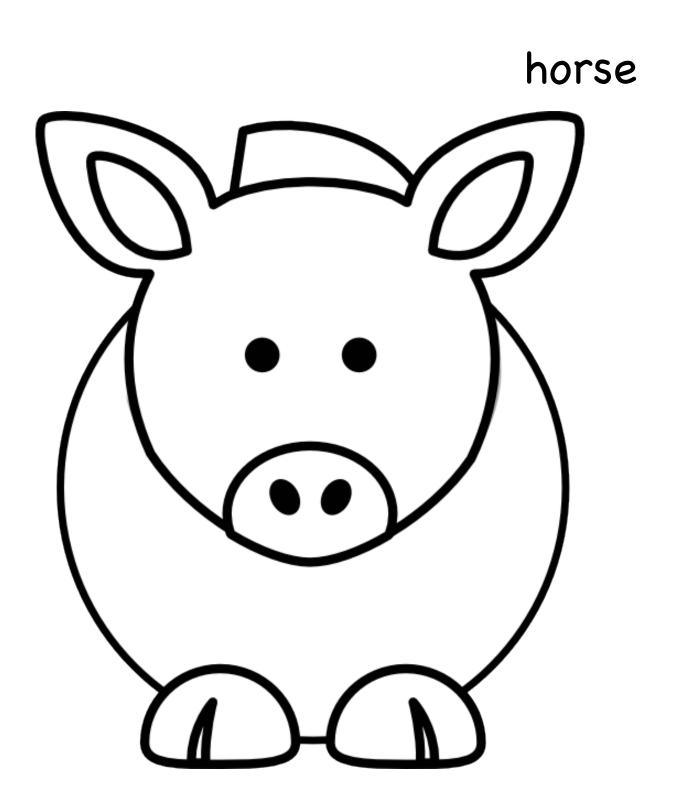




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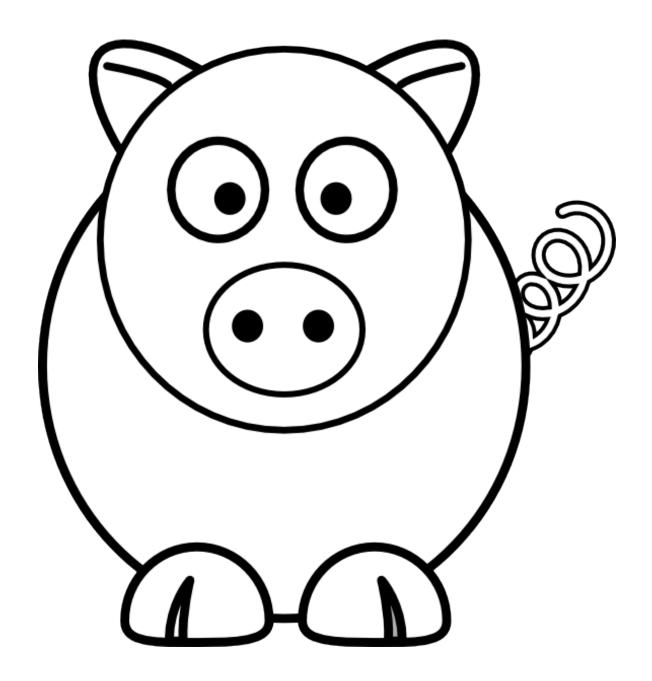


This is a simple to assemble version that just needs color or possibly cotton balls and google eyes.

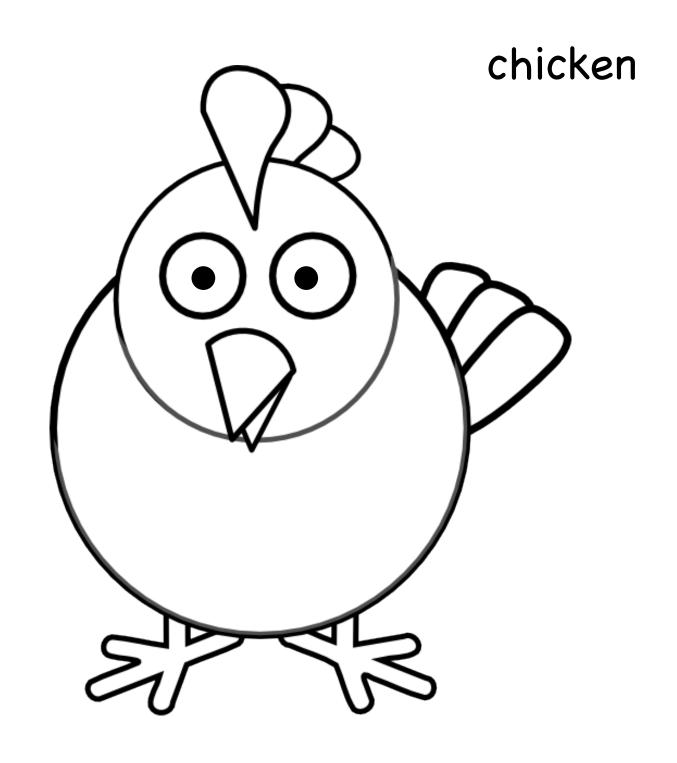


This is a simple to assemble version that just needs color or possibly yarn for fur and google eyes.

pig



This is a simple to assemble version that just needs color, google eyes, or other décor.



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