K-5 : AT HOME PUPPET BASED LESSONS		
Established Goals:	Transfer Goals	
Students will: -Learn brief histories of	Students will combine building, decorating, rhythm, movement, and creativity to create puppet characters to be used for self expression, behavioral rehearsal, communication, and play.	
various types of puppetry	Meaning	
-Learn various design and building	Students will understand that: -There are many types of puppets	Students will keep considering:
techniques -Create unique and thoughtful puppets based on specified prompts -Explore using dialogue, music, and movement to bring life to their puppets	-Puppets can be given dynamic personalities based on features, voice, personality, back story	-How can I turn an inanimate object animate?
	-Puppets can be used to communicate an idea	-How can I create a puppet that portrays a specific character?
	-Inanimate objects can be brought to life with the use of movement and speech	-How can a puppet express something a human cannot?
	Acquisition of Knowledge and Skills	
-Use puppets to find a voice for themselves	Students will know:	Students will be skilled at:
-(Optional) Create a one-act performance with classmate(s) via Zoom	-A brief history of puppetry	-Creative design
	-How to use puppets	-Expressive communication
	-How to create several types of puppets using various techniques	-Assembly techniques
	-How to express a feeling or feelings through the use of puppetry	-Independent exploration of examples in history and current media
	-Basic principles of design and character building	-Puppet identification
Resources	End of Week Assessment	
Students will be provided with digital resources and physical resources, as needed.	Students will show their learning by:	
	Completing each project and showing what techniques were used, what their design looked like vs the finished product, and how they have learned to interact with their puppet/how the puppet has begun to interact with others.	

## **Core Curriculum for Each Lesson**

Each type of puppet will be presented within a similar structure:

- Brief History
  - Presented in a fun, lighthearted way, with graphics and easy to understand information
- Explanation of Use
  - How was this type of puppet used? What type of story would it traditionally tell? Why would we use this type of puppet instead of another?
- Demonstration of Performance Technique
  - Explanation of controls, how the hands are positioned, cause and effect for different manipulations of puppets
- Design Prompts
  - Different techniques to get your point across, and how to use a 2D design to inform your 3D puppet
- Exploration of Form vs Function
  - If I want my puppet to do *this,* it must have *that*
- Building Tutorial
  - Explanation of materials, attachment techniques, decorating techniques, order of operations, finishing a project
- Demonstration
  - Tutorial project in action
- Continuation Prompts
  - What does this puppet do? How does it respond to the world around it? Why?

# **Unit Outcomes**

### ART

- Students will explore and have a deeper understanding of art through reflection, depiction, composition, and expression
- Engage in imaginative play with various arts materials
- Observe and investigate arts materials in preparation of building a puppet
- Understand theatre artists develop personal processes and skills for a performance or design
- Brainstorm to generate multiple approaches to an art or design problem

## PHYSICAL

- Strengthen gross and fine motor skills by manipulating puppets
- Apply moving skills by experimenting with puppet manipulation
- Use movement and gestures to communicate emotions
- Demonstrate understanding of expressive qualities and how to use them to convey expressive intent

### DRAMA

- Apply speaking skills to puppetry by using the puppet as an extension of self
- Apply dramatization skills by expressing feelings as a puppet
- Apply dramatization skills by creating an environment to which a puppet will react
- Relate character experiences to personal experiences
- Alter puppet voice and body to articulate nuances of the character

### SOCIAL

- Improve team building skills by working with others to create a story
- Develop competency in communication through puppet play

## CULTURE

- Gain insight into various countries and regions of the world based on their use of puppetry
- Explore regional types of puppets, puppet costumes, and performance content