

# Boudica Hand Puppet

## What will I need?

- Fabric in different colours
- Card
- Scissors
- A pen
- Needle and thread
- Glue
- 2 buttons or circles of foil (optional)

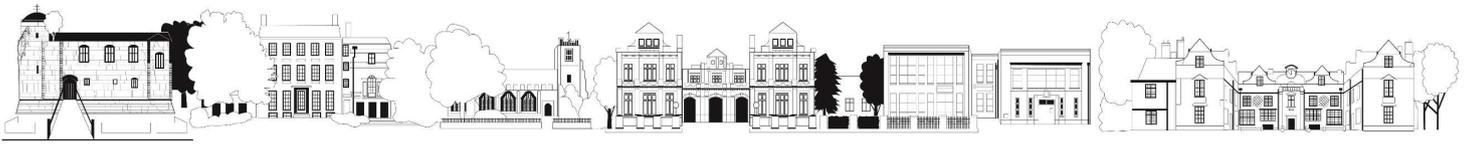
### Top Tip!

If you don't have any scraps of fabric, you could use an old t-shirt that no longer fits, or dig out some odd socks. If you only have one colour of fabric, try colouring it with pens to create different shades.

## What do I do?

1. On a piece of card, draw around your hand to create your puppet template. Don't draw too close to your hand, as you will need to have room to put your hand in the puppet when it is finished. Carefully cut the template out with scissors.
2. Place your chosen fabric on a flat surface and put your cardboard template on top, drawing around the template with a pen. Don't forget you need to cut out two pieces, so make sure to draw around your template twice. Carefully cut the puppet shapes out with scissors.
3. Sew the two puppet pieces together around the edges about half a centimetre in, but remember not to stitch the bottom edge or you won't be able to fit your hand in! Then turn your puppet inside out to hide the stitches.





4. Carefully cut out a rectangle of fabric that is big enough to cover the body of your puppet. This is going to be Boudica's tunic.

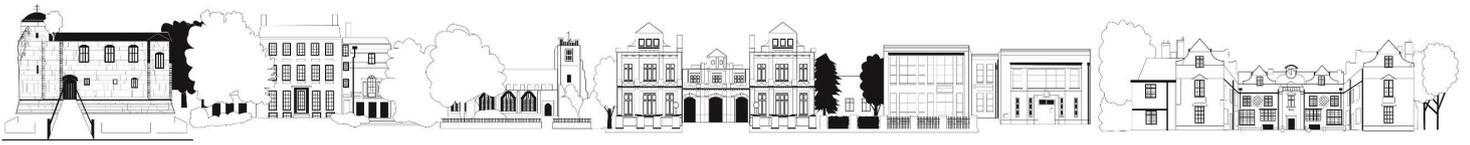


5. Then cut out two thin rectangles of fabric that are the same length as the body of your puppet. These will be Boudica's cloak.



6. Chose two buttons to be the round parts of Boudica's torc and cut a little strip of fabric to be the main part of the torc. If you don't have buttons to hand, you could use some tin foil.





7. Cut some fabric into wiggly strips in different lengths. This is going to be Boudica's hair.
8. You can either sew or glue Boudica's tunic, cloak, torc and hair on. If you choose to sew these pieces on, be careful that you do not sew through both sides of your puppet. We recommend getting an adult to help with the sewing.
9. Now for the finishing touches. We have given Boudica eyes and eyebrows, and added some blue woad paint to her face, so she is ready to battle the Romans! Your puppet should now be ready. What adventures will Boudica have in your tribe?
10. Don't forget to take a picture and share it on social media, tagging @Colmuseums on Twitter or @ColchesterCastle on facebook.

