

## Make your very own Little Monkey from the story!

Why not get creative and make paper plate monkeys! You can use these for an interactive storytelling session.

It's also a great opportunity to develop a range of fine motor skills through cutting, tearing and sticking.

## **Equipment:**

Paper plates



Glue or sticky tape



Brown and pink paper



Scissors (child friendly)



Googly eyes (these are optional)



Two circular objects to trace around (a mug and cereal bowl are the perfect sizes)



Black felt tip pen (black colouring) pencils could also be used)

## Once you've finished why not:

Create your very own jungle display in your classroom using hand print leaves and your monkeys!

Talk about where monkeys live and what they eat.

Discuss what other animals you might find in the jungle.

Share your paper plate monkeys with us using #TimeToRead



## How to make your monkey:

- 1. Tear up the pieces of brown paper into small squares. They don't need to be neat as this will create a wonderful textured monkey.
- 2. Next, cover the paper plate with lots of glue and stick the bits of brown paper all over. If you don't have any brown paper, you can use paint or felt tips instead.
- 3. To make the ears, take the biggest circular object and trace around it onto another sheet of brown paper. Carefully cut this out and then cut it in half so you have two semi-circles.
- 4. Then take the smaller circular object and trace around it, but this time on the pink paper. Again, carefully cut this out and then cut it in half so you have two semi-circles.
- 5. Next, stick the pink semi-circles on top of the brown semi-circles to create two ears and attach them to each side of the paper plate using glue or tape.
- 6. Have some fun adding the googly eyes, two dots for a nose and a nice big smile.

Tip! Get the children to add a touch of their own personalities to their monkey.

7. Finally, have lots fun testing out your monkeys and using them to re-tell the story together!





