## Styrofoam and Drinking Straw Puppet Craft

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**Materials:**

Clean Styrofoam trays - if you can find   
colored trays, they make great puppets.

Scissors

Drinking straws

Pens, gel pens, or markers

Tape

Optional -   
Googly eyes and a glue stick  
Construction paper to make details,   
 like a mouth, hat, etc.  
Yarn for whiskers or hair

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**Directions:**

1. Clean a Styrofoam tray with warm water and detergent.
2. Use a pen to draw the outline of an animal (head or entire body), person, or something else on the tray. A simple circle or oval with ears will make most animal heads.
3. Cut out the outline.
4. For the puppet's details (like the nose, eyes, mouth, whiskers, or a hat), either draw them with a pen (or marker), or cut them out of construction paper and glue them on the puppet.
5. To make hair or whiskers, glue on bits of yarn.
6. Glue on googly eyes using glue or draw eyes.
7. Tape the back of your Styrofoam animal to the end of a drinking straw.
8. You now have a great animal puppet that you can use to put on a play or use while reading your favorite story.