

"You're never

too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and

read to a child.'

Dr. Seuss

CHARACTER DAY

FRIDAY, MARCH 2ND

As a part of our "Read Across America" celebration join us for a special Berylville Town Meeting. Come dressed as your favorite Dr. Seuss character or any character from a book. Costume ideas are on the back. Parents are always welcome at our Town Meeting!



Materials:

Cat in the Hat

- Three 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by 11" sheets of white paper
- 8" and 10" triple layered corrugated cardboard circles
- Acrylic paints; red and white
- Scissors, ruler, paintbrush, paper plate (for palette), transparent tape

Horton Hears a Who

- 29" length of black drainage hose (available at most hardware stores)
- Gray or silver plastic paint
- Two sheets of gray craft foam
- Clear plastic headband
- Black elastic string
- Craft foam glue
- Paper, pencil, scissors, ruler, paintbrush

The Lorax

- Yellow craft foam
- Paper, pencil, scissors, transparent or masking tape

Fox in Socks

- · Craft foam; black, brown
- Black elastic string
- Brown headband
- Craft foam glue
- Paper, pencil, scissors, ruler, stapler

Green Eggs and Ham

- White air-dry modeling compound
- Acrylic paints; green, pink
- Yellow paper plate
- Paintbrush



Cat in the Hat

Separate cardboard circles and use white to paint each side of the circles. Let dry. For hat crown, tape long sides of paper together, overlapping edges as necessary to form an 11' by 23' sheet of paper. Use red to paint three 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide strips on one side of crown, spacing each approximately 2" apart. Let dry. Wrap one long end of crown around outside outside edge of 8" circle (top of hat) so edges are even; use several pieces of tape to secure crown to top of hat. Cut $\frac{1}{2}$ " long slits approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ " apart along bottom edge of crown. Insert 10" cardboard ring (hat brim) onto bottom of crown. Use tape to secure bottom of crown slits to bottom of brim.



Horton Hears a Who

For elephant trunk, use gray or silver to paint drainage hose. Let dry. Use point of scissors to make two holes on one end of trunk directly opposite each other. Thread one end of string through one hole and tie together in a knot. Cut string long enough to wrap around back of head and to reach another hole; thread string through hole and tie together in a knot. For elephant ears, fold craft foam where indicated on pattern, over sides of headband; use glue to secure ends to back of ears.



Roll a piece of tape together to secure

back of mustache to face.

Fox in Socks

For ears, fold over top of headband, use glue to secure ends to back of ears. For muzzle, roll snout together forming a tube-like shape; use staple to secure together. For front of snout, measure 1" from end of snout and bend down; use staple to secure bend in place. Glue nose to end of snout.

Green Eggs and Ham

For egg whites, use modeling compound to form to 3" wide odd-shaped flat circles. For yolks, use modeling compound to form two $1\frac{3}{4}$ " slightly raised circles. Press each yolk onto center of egg whites. Let dry. For ham, use modeling compound to form a ham-like shape; roll a $1\frac{1}{4}$ " slightly raised circle for ham bone. Press ham bone onto ham. Let dry. Use green to paint egg yolks. Let dry. Use pink to paint ham. Let dry.