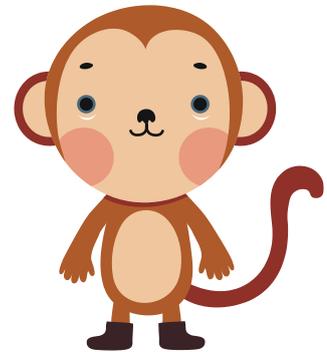


Don't just throw your old socks away! Put them to good use by creating your very own sock monkey.

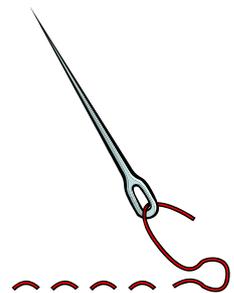
You will need:

- a pair of old socks – clean, not smelly!
- scissors
- pins
- 2 buttons for eyes
- needle and cotton
- soft toy stuffing/cotton wool



Instructions:

1. Turn socks inside out and cut out, following the template below.
2. Begin with the body sock on the left-hand side of the template. Stitch around the legs of the monkey taking care to leave a gap at the base of the heel.
3. Turn the sock the right side out and stuff the body and legs.
4. Sew up the gap used for stuffing.
5. Keeping the sock inside out, stitch the arm pieces on the other sock. Turn the arm the right side out and stuff.
6. Sew the arms firmly to the body.
7. Keeping the sock inside out, stitch the tail. Turn the tail the right side out and stuff.
8. Sew the tail firmly to the body.
9. Stitch the mouth to the body leaving a small gap for stuffing. Stuff the mouth and stitch the gap.
10. Stitch the ear inside out. Turn right inside out and attach to head. No need for stuffing.
11. Position and stitch on the buttons to create eyes.
12. Use a back stitch and a contrasting thread to create a mouth.



Hints:

- Use thread a similar colour to the sock.
- Use a simple running stitch to sew body parts
- Stuff using small amounts of stuffing at a time and shape whilst stuffing.

Template:

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