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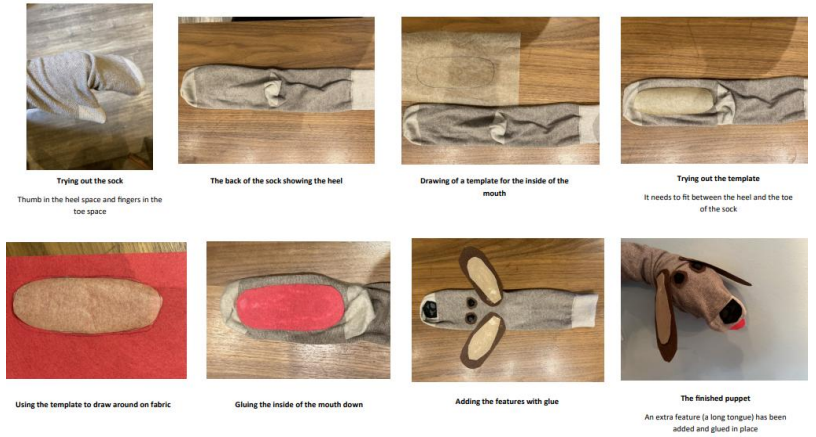
Researching and evaluating

Researching and evaluating involves looking at existing products and finding out about the materials which have been used to make them. By looking at the products, we are able to decide which material is the best to use to create new products and which design we like the most and would like to recreate.

Key Vocabulary	Definition
appearance	What something looks like
cloth	A soft piece of material which can be made into clothes
design	A plan or drawing to show what something will look like
evaluate	To assess a piece of work that has been completed
function	The way something is used
investigate	Make a check to find out something
materials	What something is made from
properties	The characteristics of something
recycle	To use something again
research	To investigate something
textiles	Woven or knotted cloth

Making a sock puppet

We can make a sock puppet by choosing materials, adding features and joining pieces together. We can use our imagination to give our puppet a name and personality.



Sock puppets

A sock puppet is a puppet which is made from socks and decorated as a character or animal. The sock is worn on the hand of the puppeteer like a glove, with the puppets mouth being formed by the fingers and the thumb at the heel of the sock.

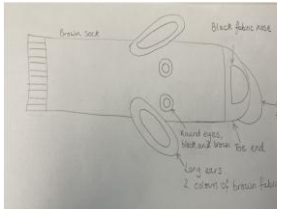
Puppets have been used by people for thousands of years to tell stories and entertain others. Early puppets were made from materials such as wood, cloth and clay.

Different types of puppets have been used in countries all around the world. Sock puppets became popular because they are simple and inexpensive to make. People could use an old sock and turn it into a new character using materials they already had at home.



Designing

Designing a project helps the designer see how much material they will need and what other materials and decorations they may add to make their product. Designing also allows the designer to make changes to their product before they begin to make it, to get the best results from their piece.



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Why is it important to design a product before you make it?

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What can a sock puppet be used for?

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