



## The Witch's Parade.....a Halloween Spectrecull

Have fun making Puppets for Halloween play and decoration

**You will need:**

A4 paper x 3

Scissors

Black Paint

White glue

Green Paint

'tacky glue' for fabric is best because it sticks  
faster and dries quicker than regular PVA

Red Paint

A Needle - *a large darning  
needle is good for wool*

Sticky tape

Black Wool and Grey wool for  
Witch hair and Bat body  
*or any colour of wool you fancy*

Cardboard

Plastic bag  
*a floaty one for ghostie*

Skewers or sticks

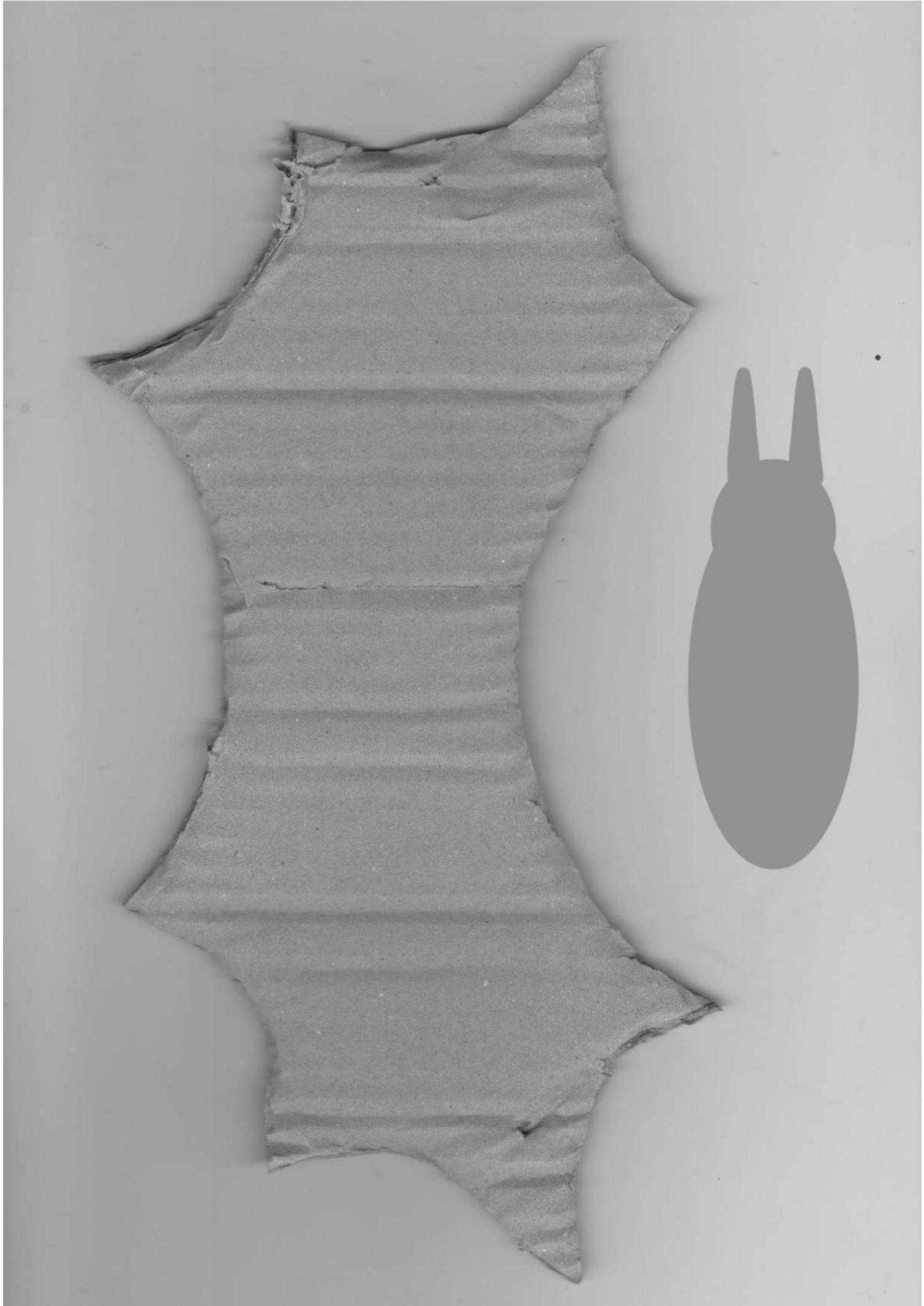
Stickers for ghost eyes

A Marker

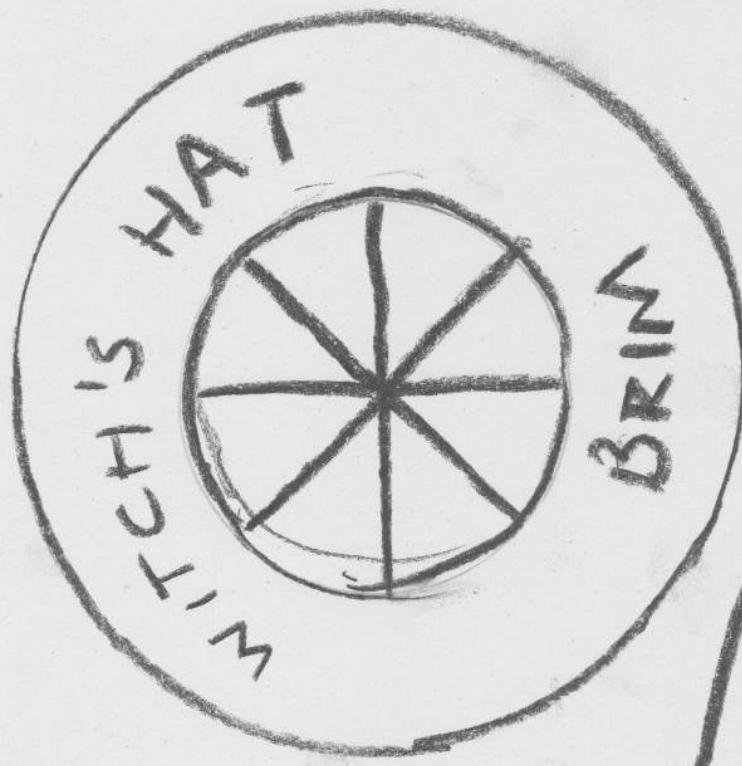
a small plastic recycled bottle

**To set the scene:**

Seasonal pumpkins and squashes Autumn  
leaves and tree fruits



WITCH'S  
ROBES  
cone



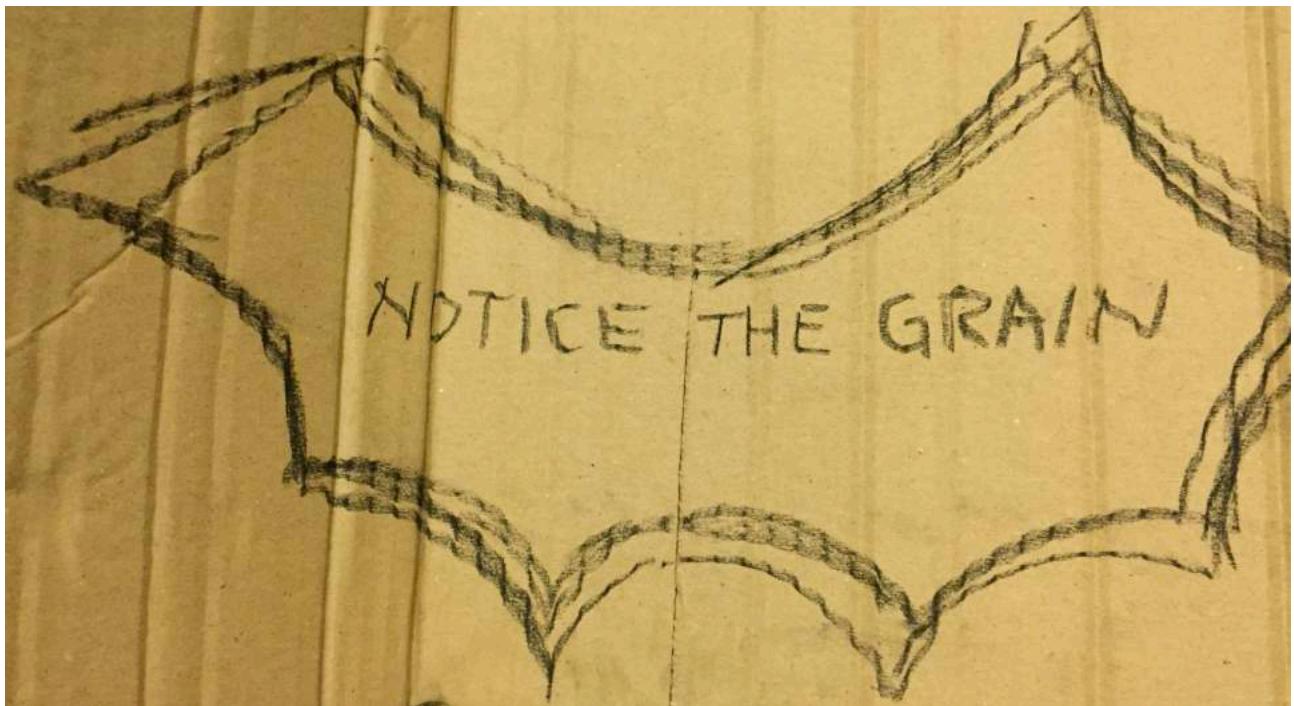
WITCH'S  
HAT  
cone

## TEMPLATES

You can print copies of the templates in this document or you can draw your own bat shape and witch's costume using a compass or circular objects as templates to create the cape and hat forms

## PREPARATION

Cut out Bat wings and body shapes from the Cardboard



Look at the 'Grain' of the Cardboard - remember to place wings so the grooves of the cardboard go up and down (not sideways) This will help the cardboard wings to bend in the way that a bat's wings bend.

Paint black on both sides

Paint 2 sheets of paper black

Paint the back of with costume TEMPLATE black

(remember to cut out the patterns before you paint the other side)

Paint 1 sheet of paper green

When dry paint the reverse sides

Cut out Witch costume from Template and paint pieces black - remember to cut star shape slices into the centre of the brim piece (these will be the tabs for joining onto the hat cone)

**THE GHOST**

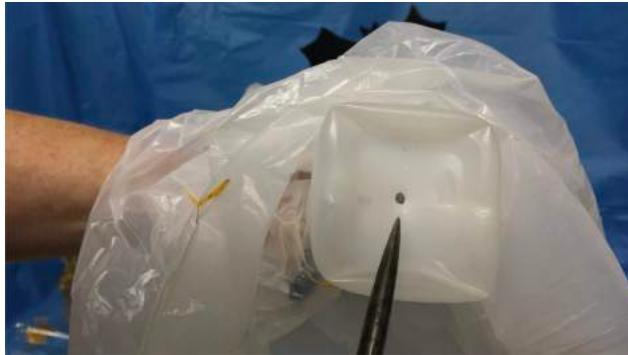
Cut a raggedy edge around the open end of the plastic bag for the ghosty trails

Stuff the closed end of the plastic bag into the top of the plastic bottle

Draw eyes onto 2 stickers and attach these to ghost face

Poke a skewer into the bottom of a plastic bottle (you will need adult help and a point tool to create a small hole first I used a bradawl but you can improvise here)

Well Done - Ghost is complete! Stick him/her into a pumpkin or an old spud or other.



## THE BAT

Glue the Bat body onto the bat wings



Poke holes all around the bat body for sewing and weaving your wool through.  
Thread wool onto your darning needle and sew across the bat body. Weave in and out of your stitches to create a fuzzy bat body.  
Tear off a piece of painted paper and ball up to make a fathead.  
Blob two pinpoints red paint for Bat Eyes - Blind as a bat!  
Stick a skewer into one of the folds of the cardboard.  
Stick bat into his/her designated Autumn fruit.



**THE WITCH****WITCH HEAD**

Scrunch up the green paper into a head shaped ball - the creases will be the wrinkles of the witch's face. You can mould the paper around a bit until you are happy with the shape - keep it loose - if you make it too tight it will be tricky to put it on the stick.

Paint on some black witch eyes

Push head into skewer

**WITCH HAIR**

Loop a few strands of grey wool around your fingers.

Tie the loop in the middle with a small piece of wool

Cut the loops at the end to create individual strands of hair

Stick the hair onto the top of the head using tacky glue or tape (if you are using PVA leave the head to dry for a while)

**WITCH OUTFIT**

Using the pieces for Witch's outfit

Curl the large piece to make a cone shape tape it along the inside and glue the edge on the outside.

Slide the cone onto a skewer, glue and wrap wool around and around to attach the costume to the top of the skewer, leaving space for the head. Push the head onto

the skewer dabbing a bit of glue to hold it in place, you can wind some wool around the neck like a very tight scarf or 'choker' and dab some more glue to hold it all in place

Curl the small piece to make the cone for the hat - check it is the right size for your witch head and tape and glue as before.



Make the brim - Cut the criss cross shape at centre of the circle and open them out to make the tabs. Tape the tabs to the inside of the hat cone.

Run a rim of glue around the inside of the hat and stick it to the witches head

Hey Presto Witch is done, poke her into a pumpkin and get ready for the parade!

## THE PARADE

Use your puppets at night by torch light to create shadows..

Have them on your table at meal times for festive fayre....

Make other characters ... a skeleton (I'm thinking of sections of paper straws threaded onto wool to make dangly legs and arms .....now what for the ribs...?. Pipe cleaners...?.. And the skull...? You know how to make a head out of scrunched paper already... A Cat... A broomstick..... a zombie.....

HAVE FUN and HAPPY HALLOWEEN