



Make a Play Day Script

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Masks Making

- Print out the number of mask templates you need (see scenery and prop instructions). If in doubt please check with the splats teacher.
- Glue the templates to thin card- although they also work as just paper.
- The pupils can colour in or paint the masks as they wish. The panther should be black but you can highlight the designs of eyebrows. King Louis should be as wild as you wish. Orange hair and beard is probably a good idea but have fun with him! Again with the monkeys they don't all have to be brown.
- Cut out your mask with scissors. Cut each eyehole out with a craft knife (adults only).
- Attach the masks with a paper band (as illustrated.) This is the easiest way for the pupils to get the masks on and off as they often play several characters. You can also use elastic or string but may be not as practical for the show
- The Snake mask has a tongue that should be concertinaed up and attached to the mask.
- On the Tiger, Wolf and Panther masks you can give a 3d effect by cutting along the blue lines as illustrated
- King Louis is a two-part mask so you need to attach the beard leaving room for the mouth so pupil can speak easily. Adjust the bottom part to fit pupil.

The pages below illustrate the instructions for each mask

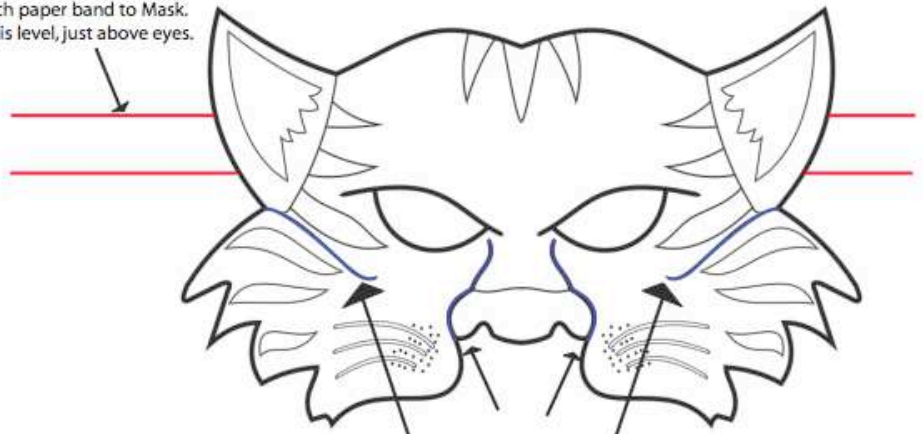
The actual mask templates are all at the end of this document



Bring the tongue of the snake to the centre of the Mask-glue or tape it from behind. Then staple it back on itself as that will help to keep tongue up when Mask is worn. Make sure staples are safely put. Tongue must be re-inforced with small card and concertinaed

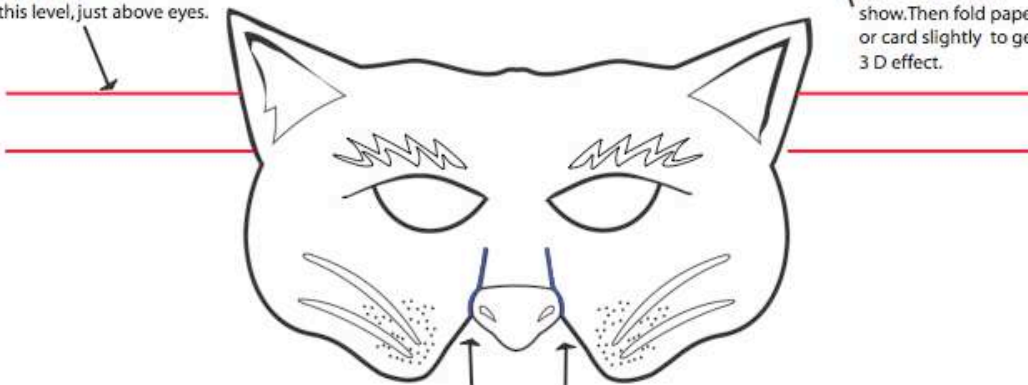


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At this level, just above eyes.



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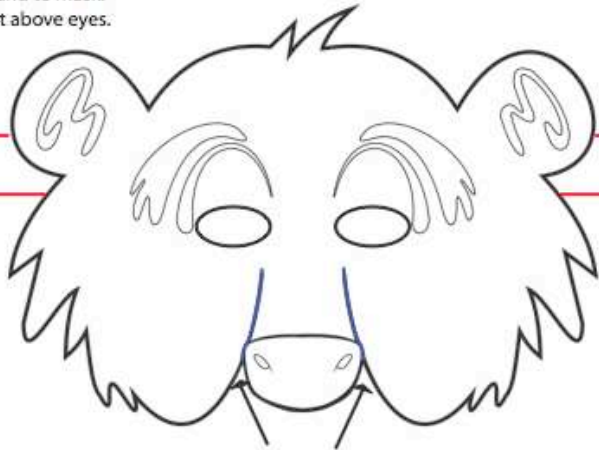
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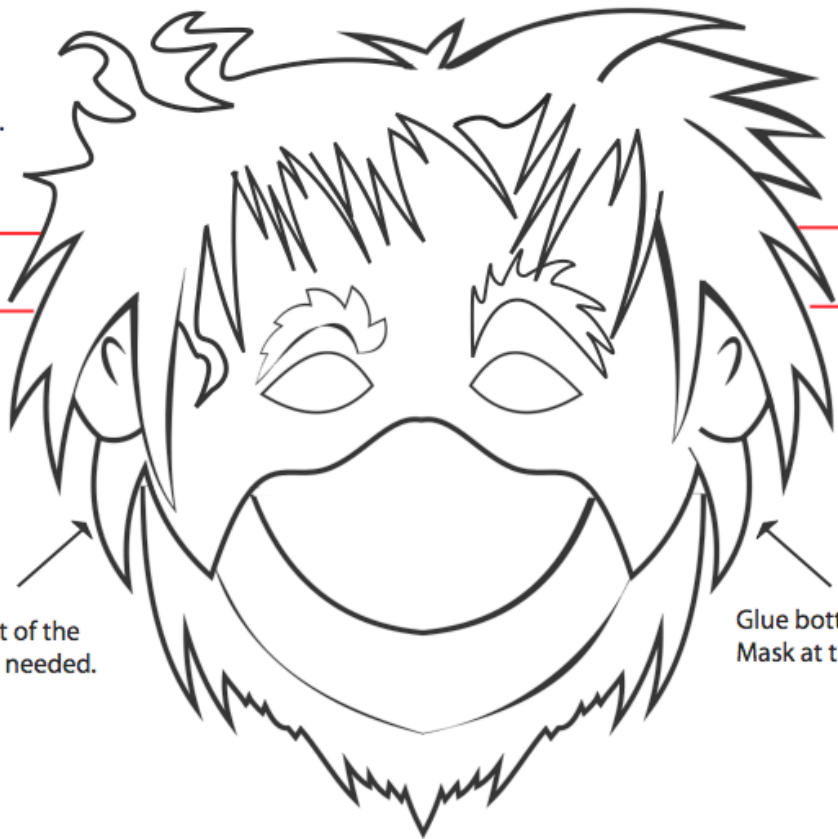
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Scenery and Prop instructions

Jungle Homes

We would like to make 4 scene areas, which we will lean up against chairs or gym equipment to make the set. Each group should make their own area. They should be based on the scene and main character but design is up to the pupils/teacher – a suggestion is given for guidance only

Group 1 - Wolf Moon

- Jungle Home - Stars and moons and silhouettes of wolves
 - Monkey masks (ALL PUPILS)
 - Wolf masks (ALL PUPILS)
 - Bagheera mask (just one)

Group 2 - Baloo's Home

- Jungle Home - Cut out the words to say Baloo's Home
- Snake masks and forked tongue to attach (ALL PUPILS)
 - Monkey masks (HALF THE PUPILS)
 - Baloo masks (HALF THE PUPILS)

Group 3 - Monkey Kingdom

- Jungle Home - Monkey Graffiti ancient ruins etc
 - King Louis (just one)
 - Monkey masks (ALL PUPILS)
 - Baloo mask (just one)
 - Bagheera mask (just one)

Group 4 - Shere Khan

- Jungle Home - Beware of the cat etc
- Monkey masks (HALF THE PUPILS)
- Tiger stripes – six sets of stripes (orange, black and white)
 - Tiger masks (HALF THE PUPILS)
- Paper leaves on string to drape round arms (all the pupils)
 - Baloo mask (just one)
 - Bagheera mask (just one)
 - King Louis (just one)

Scene One – Mowgli



Music: Jungle Ambiance

The narrator may help with this part if pupils are too young

*2 Pupils narrate from the Platforms DSL and DSR - They are crouched down to begin with - the reply comes from pupils who are stalking through the jungle from left and right as different animals ready to come forwards as monkeys.
(monkey masks on head not face)*

Pupil 1— This is the Law of the Jungle

ALL— As old and as true as the sky;

Pupil 2— And the Wolf that shall keep it may prosper

ALL— but the Wolf that shall break it must die.

Pupil 1— As the creeper that wraps round the tree-trunk

ALL— the Law runneth forward and back

Pupil 2 -For the strength of the Pack is the Wolf

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Narrator or Pupils

But some animals don't listen to the laws of the jungle

Music: Theme from the Monkees

Pupils all move forward towards audience arms swinging

Here we come, walkin'
Down the street.
We get the funniest looks from
Ev'ry one we meet.
(monkey dance)

Hey, hey, we're the Monkees
And people say we monkey around.
But we're too busy singing

To put anybody down

Monkeys go off and take monkey masks and put wolf masks on

Music: SFX baby crying rain and jungle (keep playing until next track)

Narrator/pupil

But one day the Jungle Law was really broken when a man cub was found by Bagheera the panther. He brought it to the mother wolf Raksha and she looked after Mowgli as if he was one of her own cubs.

The Wolves are all gathered around the baby;

Narrator / pupil

Ten times the rains came and went and Mowgli
As this is said all the wolves turn—they have wolf masks on and come down stage as described

Learnt to move like a wolf - all stalking

He learnt to howl like a wolf - all howling

He learnt to smell like a wolf - all sniffing

and play like a wolf - all pouncing and play fighting

But he wasn't a wolf

(Mowgli stands up onto two feet and skips off. The other wolves form 2 semi circles with Akela in the middle possible on the raised platform)

One night under the jungle stars the wolf pack elders met because Shere Khan the tiger had returned to that part of the jungle

Akela

The time has come when Mowgli must be taken back to the man village. It is too dangerous for him to stay. Shere Khan is scared of man and will kill Mogli before he gets too strong

Baghera

I found the boy and I will take him home. Mowgli and I have taken many walks in the jungle - I am sure he will come with me.

NEXT DAY

MUSIC: Seventy-Six Trombone

Mowgli

Where are we going Bagheera

Bagheera

Just for an adventure in the jungle Mowgli.

Narrator

That day Mowgli and Bagheera walked further than he had ever gone before and he met the elephants

All the other pupils are Mowglis as well

Scene Two – Baloo



Music: Jungle Sounds
2 pupils on the platform

Pupil 1 – Keep peace with the Lords of the Jungle

ALL – the Wolf, the Panther, and Bear.

Pupil 2 – And watch out for Kaa the Silent,

ALL – and Shere Khan the tiger beware

Pupil 1 – Sleep carefully out in the Jungle

ALL – and don't go too far from the track,

Pupil 2 - Lie down till the morning has spoken

ALL – Sleep man cub – away from the pack

Bagheera and Mowgli snoring in the centre of the stage

Half the pupils are sleeping like Mowgli on the floor in a big circle around him but as the music starts they start to do a sitting snake dance arms to side and then above their head. The rest of the Pupils balance feathers as they balance around the snoring Bagheera. They come on one by one in a snakey type weave

Music: Trust in me

Trust in me
Trust in me, just in me
Shut your eyes and trust in me
You can sleep safe and sound
Knowing I am around

Slip into silent slumber
Sail on a silver mist
Slowly and surely your senses
Will cease to resist
Trust in me, just in me
Shut your eyes and trust in me

Bagheera
Mowgli look out

Bagheera bops the snake on its nose and the snakes sliver off.

MUSIC: Bear Necessities

Mowgli

You taught that silly snake a lesson Bagheera. *(Mowgli yawns and stretches)* Should we start to go back home?

Mowgli walks to front

Bagheera

Mowgli – we are not going back – I have to take you home to the man village it is too dangerous for you in the jungle

Mowgli

But you are supposed to be my friend I don't want to go the man village – I belong in the Jungle

But when Mowgli tried to run away he went straight into a big furry wall - it was Baloo the bear *(all pupils form the body of Baloo and the one at the front with Bear Mask)*

Baloo (all)

As Baloo talks the pupils move around as the body.

What do you mean take him home

A big strong bear like him can look after himself

He just needs to learn to be a bear

Bear Necessities' dance

(pupils stay in circle as Baloo's body)

Look for the bare necessities

The simple bare necessities

Forget about your worries and your strife

I mean the bare necessities

Old Mother Nature's recipes

That brings the bare necessities of life

Wherever I wander, wherever I roam *(now the pupils break away from the body of the bear and do moves as described)*

I couldn't be fonder of my big home

The bees are buzzin' in the tree

To make some honey just for me

When you look under the rocks and plants

And take a glance at the fancy ants
Then maybe try a few

Mowgli
You eat ants

Baloos
You better believe it

The bare necessities of life will come to you

They'll come to you!

Look for the bare necessities

The simple bare necessities

Forget about your worries and your strife

I mean the bare necessities

That's why a bear can rest at ease

With just the bare necessities of life

Narrator
But just as Mowgli was learning to be a bear the monkeys were watching in the trees above

Monkey 1
Look at that its the man cub

Monkey 2
Look at his funny legs

Monkey 3
Come on lets get him

Narrator
And they crept up on him

Baloo tries to stop the monkeys but they are too quick for him and take Mowgli away

Slapstick chase until they get away

Bagheera
Now look what you've done you stupid bear

Scene Three – The Monkey Kingdom



Pupil 1 – We don't follow the Laws of the Jungle

ALL – They're stupid and boring and smell;

Pupil 2 – Us Monkeys we do what we wanna

ALL – Cos we are the best can't you tell

Pupil 1 – We're the Kings of all of treetops

ALL – We swing and we scratch and we're cool

Pupil 2 -If you don't like what we tell you

All - Then you can just OOOOH OOOh OOOOh oooooooh!

MUSIC: King of the Swingers

Monkeys

We've got him King Louis– we've got him

Look at his skinny legs

King Louis is sitting up on platform USC with two sets of monkeys in line either side

King Louis

So you're the man cub – Crazy

Mowgli

Not half as crazy as you are let me go

King Louis

Take it easy cousin – have a banana

Now I hear you want to stay in the jungle

Mowgli

I sure do – I'll do anything to stay in the jungle

King Louis

Well Old King Louis here - that's me – will tell you how

Monkeys on sides do dance moves Mowgli and King Louis dance down the middle

Now I'm the king of the swingers
Oh, the jungle VIP
I've reached the top and had to stop
And that's what botherin' me
I wanna be a man, mancub
And stroll right into town
And be just like the other men
I'm tired of monkeyin' around!

Oh, oobee doo
I wanna be like you
I wanna walk like you
Talk like you, too
You'll see it's true
An ape like me
Can learn to be humen too

Mowgli

Gee, cousin Louie
You're doin' real good

King Louis

Now here's your part of the deal, cuz
Lay the secret on me of man's red fire

Mowgli

But I don't know how to make fire

Monkeys

He doesn't know King – he doesn't know

(Sung)

Now don't try to kid me, mancub
I made a deal with you
What I desire is man's red fire
To make my dream come true
Give me the secret, mancub
Come on - clue me what to do
Give me the power of man's red flower
So I can be like you

Bagheera and Baloo appear on the two platform DSR and DSL

Bagheera

Fire So thats what that scoundrels after

Baloo

Why I'll tear him limb from limb I'll bash him I'll - Oh man what a beat

Bagheera

Will you stop that silly beat business and listen

Baloo

Sure

*Baloo can't stop and dances off without Bagheera noticing. Baloo enters dressed very badly as a monkey)
(Big furry hat - hippy glasses - grass skirt)*

You!
I wanna be like you
I wanna talk like you
Walk like you, too
You'll see it's true
Someone like me
Can learn to be
Like someone like me
Can learn to be
Like someone like you
Can learn to be
Like someone like me!

*(Baloo dances out with Mowgli
Just as getting to back his grass skirt falls down and freezes)*

Monkey
Its Baloo the bear

Monkey
How did that square get in here
Slapstick chase until they get away

Scene 4 – Shere Khan



All pupils are crouched on stage with just Mowgli at the front.
Pupil 1 and 2 on platforms at the front.

Pupil 1: Keep your friends close in the Jungle

ALL - And your enemies closer still

Pupil 2 - Because friends are there for you always

ALL: But Enemies just for the Kill

Pupil 1: Meet a new friend one day in the jungle

ALL - Meet again he is then family

Pupil 2: But an enemy made in the jungle

ALL – May eat you for dinner or tea!

Music: Scary Jungle

Mowgli

Baloo - Bagheera – King Louis - where am I?

Pupils all have vines around their arms and they creep up on Mowgli

Narrator (*this is to guide the action but it may not be necessary*)

The trees seemed to be talking about him

Mowgli looks round but trees are all quiet

and creeping up on him as he walked

Every sound became louder and scarier

*Pupils make sounds and as they do this 6 pupils form the body of Shere Khan
Tiger body is formed by:*

x 6 sets of stripes being held by pupils of different colors - orange, black, white

*1 Pupil has tiger mask on at the front
The others also have tiger masks on but keep hidden at the start*

The tiger to begin with is behind the pupils holding the vines and then they run off (put on monkey masks) and we are just left with tiger in profile

Then out of the corner of his eye he spotted a stripy figure creeping up but he was too late to run . . it was Shere Khan.

Shere Khan

Hello man cub – how kind of you to join me for dinner

Mowgli

But I'm not hungry thank you

Shere Khan

Why aren't you running man cub - aren't you scared of me

Mowgli

I'm not scared of you - take that you big bully

Mowgli hits him on head with branch - Shere Khan turns to face the other way

Shere Khan

Interesting you have spirit for one so little. Pity you are about to die

Narrator

Mowgli tried to run away but the tiger was so quick he seemed to be everywhere

Tiger masks popping up wherever he runs. They then all start to come towards him growling in the centre of the stage

Narrator

But just when he thought there was no escape he heard a friendly sound

Music: Monkee theme

It was the monkeys
Shere Khan hated the monkeys

They tickled the tiger

They threw nuts on the tigers head

They pulled faces at him

They called him stripy pants

And worst of all they pulled his tail

And Shere Khan – the big bullying pussycat ran of yelping into the jungle

Just as Mowgli was about to turn for home and find Baloo and Bagheera he heard a sound that fascinated him

Music: Bongo Song – End

It was the sound of drums - It was the man village where they were having a party

6 pupils come out with poi and ribbons and scarves

2 pupils as villagers – He copies there walk

Mowgli learnt to walk like a man

He learnt to talk like a man

He learnt to drum like a man

He learnt to run like a man

And of course danced like a man

And that night the jungle had the biggest party it had ever seen and all the animals joined in

Bagheera came and of course Baloo (**Bear Necessities**)

King Louis came (**I Wanna be like you**)

And of course all the rest of the monkeys (**Monkees theme to end**)

THE END

