

#TundraTime Activities



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ABOUT THE BOOK

In the village of Fengfu, there lives a very special family — special because they have ten sons who do everything together. Their parents call them their ten little dumplings, as both sons and dumplings are auspicious. But if you look closely, you'll see that someone else is there, listening, studying, learning and discovering her own talent — a sister. As this little girl grows up in the shadow of her brothers, her determination and persistence help her to create her own path in the world . . . and become the wisdom she passes on to her own daughter, her own little dumpling.

Based on a short film made by the author, inspired by her father's family in Taiwan, *Ten Little Dumplings* looks at some unhappy truths about the place of girls in our world in an accessible, inspiring and hopeful way.

KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING

Here are some ideas, activities and questions to consider after you've read the book:

- Rewrite a folktale or fairy tale from the viewpoint of a different character.
- Retell the *Ten Little Dumplings* using finger puppets!
- What are some things that are considered lucky in your culture?



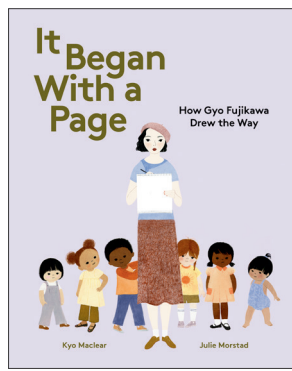
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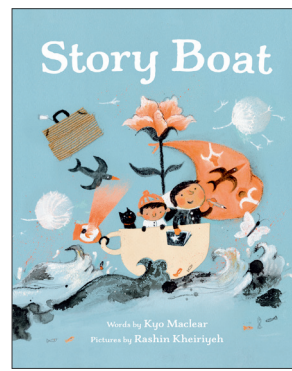
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MATERIALS



Stuffing

Pen



Small
paintbrush



Safety
scissors



4 medium-sized
binder clips



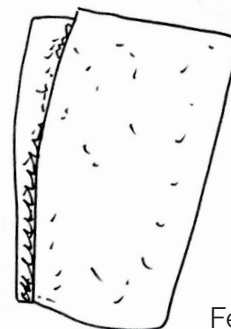
Bowl or Cup
(4-4.5" diameter)



Craft glue



Acrylic craft paint



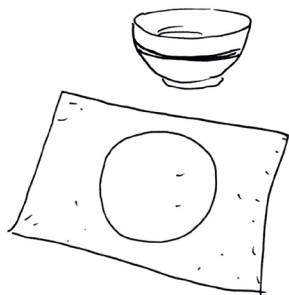
Felt

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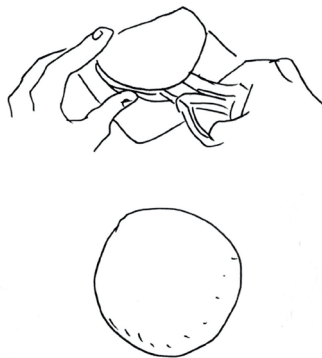
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STEPS



1. Trace a circle on felt.



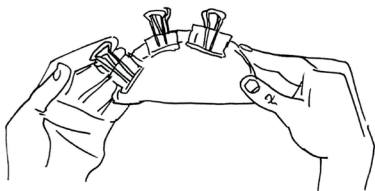
2. Cut it out.



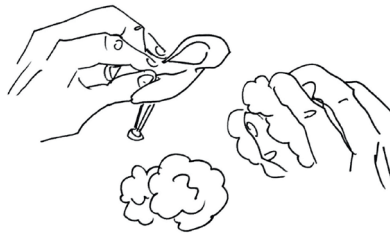
3. Glue along the edge of half the circle, leaving a gap to add stuffing.



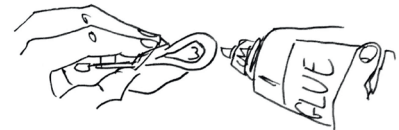
4. Fold over into dumpling shape.



5. Clip edges where the glue is, making sure you avoid the gap.



6. Fill the felt with the stuffing through the gap, leaving enough room to close the dumpling.



7. Glue and clip the final portion of the dumpling.



8. Sit and allow glue to dry for 15 minutes.



9. Remove clips, then paint on eyes and a mouth with acrylic craft paint.



10. Feel free to add other elements — rosy cheeks, shiny eyes, eyebrows, etc!

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