

Prehistoric Puppets

Oregon has been home to different types of animals since its formation 400 million years ago. The Sabertooth salmon (now called the Spiketoothed salmon), and the Orohippus (small horse) are two examples. Fun Facts: Spiketoothed salmon could grow up to 10 feet long and weigh as much as 400 pounds! Unlike today's modern horse, the front legs of Orohippus had four toes and the back legs had three. Today's horses only have one toe per leg.

You'll need:

- Puppet templates
- Crayons or color pencils
- Scissors
- Brads
- Glue or tape

What to do:

- 1. Color the animals.
- 2. Cut out the animals.
- 3. Place the brads through the dots to connect the animal pieces.
- 4. Attach a craft stick to the back of the main body piece. Can you make your puppet move?

Optional Extensions:

- Discover other prehistoric animals and make your own puppet with paper and craft sticks. Get creative with how they move.
- Put on a puppet show!



