

BC SRC 2018: Motion Commotion!

Program (Ages 5-8), Theme 7: Lights, Camera, Action!

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION [5 – 10 min]

OPTION 1: Emoji Emotions

- Before the program, print off and cut out emojis such as sad, disgusted, happy etc. and put them in a bag.
- Welcome everyone, introduce the program, and tell them that a big part of being a good actor is the ability to act out emotions. Then tell the children that they are going to reach into the bag and pick an emoji. Without showing the rest of the group which one they get, have them introduce themselves and say their favourite movie while acting out the emotion on their emoji. Have the group guess which emotion/emoji they picked.
- Continue around the circle until everyone has introduced themselves. For this, and all the other parts of the program, the children can do the task together or in pairs.

OPTION 2: Wink Murder (if you have an older group)

- This is a fun game where the children close their eyes, and you tap one on the shoulder. This person becomes the murderer. You then tell the children to walk around the room as if they're at a party. They can chat about their favourite books, movies, etc. If someone winks at them, they have to wait 10 seconds, and then die a dramatic death. The murderer wins if everyone dies, but if someone guesses who the murderer is then the murderer loses. If a child guesses wrong, they then have to die a dramatic death.

Play Wink Murder

<https://www.wikihow.com/Play-Wink-Murder>

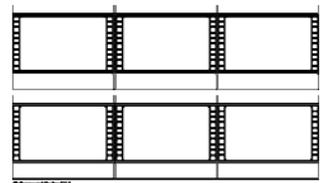
BOOKTALK OR STORY [5 – 10 min]

- Book Talk: Use the keywords “motion pictures” and “juvenile” to point you to fiction and non-fiction books to choose from, e.g., the *Star Wars* non-fiction books.
- Read: ***William Heads to Hollywood*** by Helen Hancocks

ACTIVITY

Create a Storyboard [10 – 15 min]

Storyboards are used by screenwriters to map out in detail how a movie will look and how it will tell its story. In our case, each square will represent a scene and the children can fill in the basics of a story.



You can either fold a piece of paper into squares, or get a template off the internet.

CRAFT [15 – 20 min]

Option 1: Set Diorama

Introduce the craft by talking about the settings of some of the kid's favourite movies. Then have the kids create a paper triangle diorama and decorate their setting using all available craft supplies. If you have old Lego available you can use these characters to interact with the settings once they're completed.



Option 2: Create a “Flip-o-Rama”

This animates two images with slight differences. For example, one image might be of a person with a basketball ready to shoot. The second might be the person jumping and the ball swishing through the net. By flipping back and forth between the two, the illusion is created that the character is shooting a basketball.

Supplies:

- Coloured pencils, felts, crayons, etc.
- Card stock at least 4" X 6"
- Plain paper cut into same size as card stock.
- Stapler and Glue sticks.

Instructions:

- Draw your scene close to the bottom of one of the pieces of paper.
- Trace the scene on a second piece of paper, except where you want to make changes – draw those parts differently. If it's too hard to see the original image through the paper, hold it up against a window to trace the outlines.
- Glue the first image onto the card stock.
- Put the second image on top, and staple it to the card stock along the top edge.
- With a pencil, tightly roll the second image up to the top.
- Holding the card at the top and using the pencil, quickly pull the paper down toward the bottom then back up. Enjoy your animation!
- ***Barking Dog Two-Page Animation***
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Fe0CPiVjKA>

Option 3: Create a Classic Flip-Book

Make a classic flip book that teaches basic animation principles. You could even show clips of early Disney movies to give the children a glimpse into classic animation.

Supplies:

- Paper
- Stapler
- Markers

Instructions:

- Fold and cut the paper until you have 20-30 pages the same size
- Staple these pages together to create a book
- Draw a simple image such as a ball in the lower corner, and continue drawing on each page varying the ball's position slightly from the page before
- You can make the ball bounce off walls and move around the page as you flip the pages.

Flip books work because of an optical illusion - persistence of vision. As the images you see move fast, your eye can't see them individually and so it looks like one moving image.

How to make a Flip Book

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29SCiHN9zCI>

CLOSING ACTIVITY: Famous Movie Photo Booth [10 min]

Design a photo booth where the kids can dress up as a character from an iconic movie and have their parents/caregivers take their photo "in the scene".

Harry Potter Photo Booth <http://www.harrypotterparty.nl/wp-content/uploads/harry-potter-party-have-you-seen-this-wizard-printable.pdf>

BOOKS

Star Wars: The Visual Encyclopedia by Tricia Barr and Adam Bray

The Haunted Library: Ghosts at the Movie Theatre by Dori Hillestad Butler

Nancy Drew Clue Book: Movie Madness by Carolyn Keene

Star Wars: Science Fair Book by Samantha Margles

101 Movies to See Before You Grow Up by Suzette Valle