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# PUPPET TALES

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## Winter Trees & Sweet Treats!

Fan your creative fires this winter with two NEW Mister Anderson's exclusive **StoryTime To Go Guides**. There are puppet characters, props, websites, poems and songs and book lists/ bibliographies and more! Our guides make it a snap to put together library StoryTime In A Box Kits for check-out by local preschools and caregivers. Let our Guides be your inspiration to becoming a story time star.

### Sequoia Tree and Wildlife Play Set



This 17" tall sequoia, soft and furry with fringe, is a hand puppet. Your fingers become swaying branches. Perfect for woodland story

telling and learning about nature, animal habitats and Arbor Day. Set also includes six finger puppets (rabbit, fox, squirrel, brown bear, blue bird, and owl) that can pop in and out of an array of "hide holes" throughout the branches and around the tree's base. They can also be played with separately. Winner of 4 awards, including Dr. Toy's 2005 10 Best Socially Responsible Products. Ages 3 and Up.

Order #FM5006 Price: \$39.95, **StoryTime To Go Guide** includes a **One-Person Puppet Play**.

Download a free copy of *Sequoia Seeds*, a great newspaper handout for kids! Read all about trees, animals, caves, fire, people of the past, and park rangers.

See [http://www.nps.gov/seki/forteachers/upload/seq\\_seeds2.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/seki/forteachers/upload/seq_seeds2.pdf)

### Candy Jar Fill n' Spill Activity Set

Four adorable sweets in a 12" high candy jar with easy-open attached lid. These multi-textured toys rattle, jingle, squeak and crinkle in little hands, and are made with ultra-soft materials. These clever activity toys help develop fine motor skills and hand/eye coordination, plus stimulate tactile senses in delightful ways. Self-storing and machine washable! Ages 6 months+.

Order #MD3047 5006 Price: \$19.95, **StoryTime-To-Go Guide** included.

The above **StoryTime To Go Guide** also has a **One-Person Puppet Play Sticky Vicki** featuring **Redhead Girl**, 24" Full-Body Puppet, Order #FM2211 Price: \$43.99.



### From the Editor

Welcome to the new Puppet Tales newsletter from Mister Anderson's Company. Each month librarians, educators, and caregivers can just click and print a new collection of great ideas, tips & tricks to enrich their storytelling. You can even gather them together for a great reference all year long!

Puppet Tales will showcase programs, products and ideas to jump start your creativity and we'll notify you by e-mail when each new edition is ready to download.

So look for your next Puppet Tales soon... and get ready to let the storytime sparks fly!

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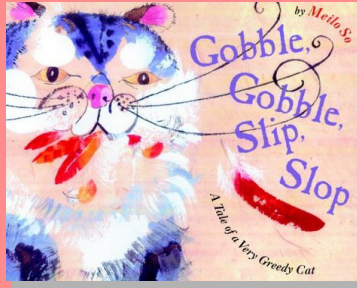
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## You Asked...

At the fall California Library Association Conference, Katherine from Glendale, CA stopped by the Mister Anderson's booth and asked us for a cat puppet to go with the book *Gobble, Gobble, Slip, Slop*.

We are happy to report after an exhaustive search for Katherine's cat we think this ball of fluff should fill the bill purrrr-fectly!

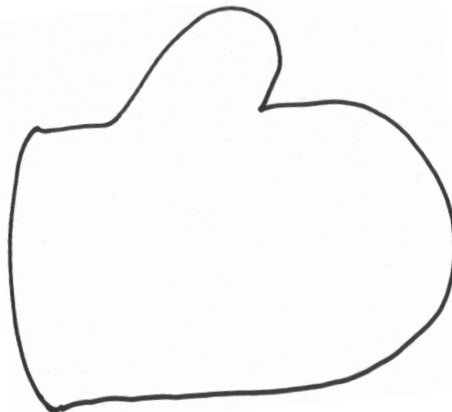


A princess among kitties, this whimsical Fluffy 12" tall Cat has a moveable mouth with a realistic tongue to demand more kibbles. Her extra fluffy body and long luxurious tail are sure to elicit lots of laughs. Workable mouth and front paws. Order #FM2566, Price: \$23.99.

### Puppet Prop:

Cut two mitten shapes out of blue felt and one mitten shape each out of the other colors listed. Place mittens in a small basket or box. As you say the rhyme have the puppet playfully paw at each color mitten as you place it on the flannel board at your side.

For extra curly whiskers get pipe cleaners from a tobacco shop and paint them black.



## KITTEN'S LOST MITTEN

My poor little kitten lost her mitten  
And started to cry, Boo-hoo.

So I helped my kitten to look for her mitten.  
Her beautiful mitten of BLUE.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
Under my mother's bed.

But, alas, the mitten was not the right mitten,  
For it was colored RED.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
Under my father's pillow.

But, alas, the mitten was not the right mitten,  
For it was colored YELLOW.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
On the hand of my brother's toy clown.

But, alas, the mitten was not the right mitten,  
For it was colored BROWN.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
Under the laundry so clean.

But, alas, the mitten was not the right mitten,  
For it was colored GREEN.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
Inside a grocery sack.

But, alas, the mitten was not the right mitten,  
For it was colored BLACK.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
Under the kitchen sink.

But, alas, the mitten was not the right mitten,  
For it was colored PINK.

I found a mitten just right for a kitten  
Inside my favorite shoe.

And this time the mitten was just the right mitten,  
For it was colored BLUE!

### My Kitty Cat

I have a kitty cat named Puff.  
He's round and soft as a ball of fluff.  
Each day he laps up all his milk.  
And his fur is soft as silk.  
When he's happy you will know,  
For his fluffy tail swings to and fro.

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