

TIPS AND TECHNIQUES!

- Before beginning, review the instructions and parts.
- Spend extra time scoring; it will pay off during assembly.
- Use glue sparingly and spread in a thin layer for faster and stronger bonds.

LET'S BEGIN!

- 1) Score all dashed lines with your scoring tool.
- 2) Cut with your hobby knife on the small crosses for string and rubber bands.
- 3) Cut out each piece as needed on the thick solid lines with scissors, noting letters and instructions left behind on the sheet.

THE CLAWS

- 4) Assembly is the same for both large and small claws. Follow steps 5-17 for one claw and then repeat for the other claw.
- 5) Cut out a claw piece. Using the scoring tool, score joint areas in a tight radial pattern, following the white dashed lines. These will become the moving joints of the claw arms.
- 6) Fold on the dashed lines. Note the direction of the folds according to the legend on sheet 1 of the parts.
- 7) Now "break-in" the paper joints in by lightly pinching the shaft of the claw arm and moving the joint back and forth (see Fig. 3).
- 8) Cut out and fold piece D. Glue it to the claw, matching D1, D2, and D3. The tabs of piece D are glued to the inside of claw.
- 9) Cut out and fold the jaw and glue together at E locations (see Fig. 5).
- 10) When the glue is dry, thread a piece of string through the jaw (see Fig. 5) so there is an equal amount of string on either side. Use the provided piece of wire as a needle, twisting the end to form the eye. If you have a yarn needle you can use that instead.
- 11) Cut out and glue one F piece to the end of the wooden dowel (see Fig. 6). Let the glue dry, then put the dowel through the claw and jaw holes marked C. Make sure that jaw sits on outside of claw (see Fig. 7).

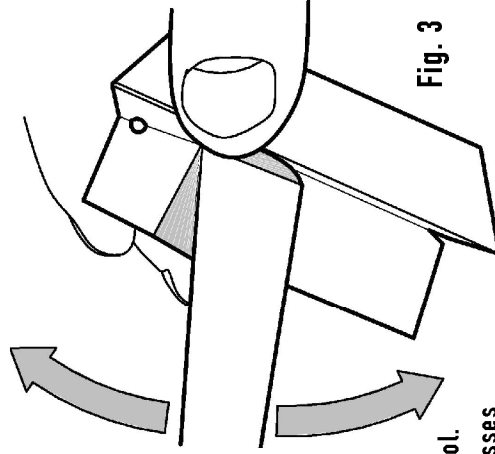


Fig. 3

- 12) Glue another F piece to the other end of the wooden shaft and then hold until dry.
- 13) Tie a knot in end of a rubber band.
- 14) Use the wire (or yarn needle) to thread the rubber band through the hole in the jaw and into the hole in the claw (see Fig. 8). Stretch the rubber band and tie it off at the other end with enough tension to cause the claw to snap shut when opened and released. After testing the tension, cut the rubber band, leaving only a short tail.
- 15) Tie a knot in the end of the remaining piece of rubber band. Thread through the claw and arm (see Fig. 8).
- 16) Tie a knot about 1" from the other end of the rubber band. Lodge this knot in slot Q.
- 17) Thread the strings separately through the B openings and then together through the A openings (see Fig. 9).

THE BODY

- 18) Cut out Body - Top & Bottom and fold per the lines. Glue the tabs at G locations to shape the body.
- 19) When the glue is dry, glue the top of the body to the bottom using the H tabs.
- 20) Glue the claws to the body at J and L.
- 21) Run the string through the body and out the R holes at back (see fig. 9).
- 22) Glue the claws to the body at K and M.
- 23) Allow the glue to dry. Spread glue on the underside of section N. Gently squeeze the body and wrap N around to glue at P. Hold until dry.
- 24) Fold the eye stalks up.
- 25) Tie the strings together in back, leaving just enough room for your hand.

DONE!

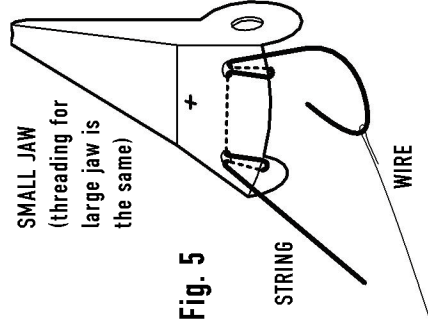


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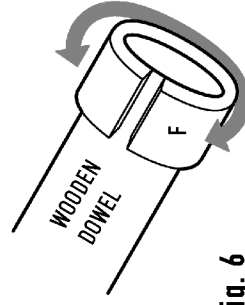


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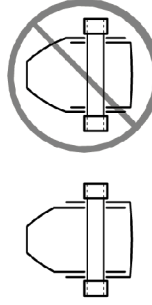


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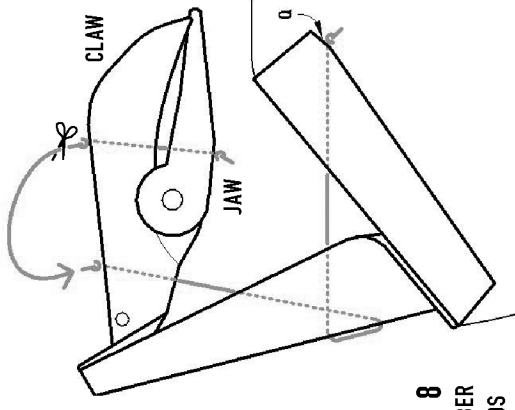


Fig. 8
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