MAKE MR. MEN AND LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS  (2-5 YEARS)

Early Years Foundation Stage links:

Creative Development

Children should:

● Express and communicate their ideas, thoughts and feelings by using a wide range of materials, suitable tools, imaginative and role-play movement, designing and making.

● Explore colour, texture, shape, form and space in two or three dimensions.

● Use their imagination in art and design.

Introduction:

With this activity your children can make their very own Mr. Men or Little Miss character. They can either choose their favourite Mr. Men or Little Miss character or invent their very own character and give them a name!

What you need:

● Cut out sheets of body shape templates and body parts and accessories, included below.

● The sheet of 10 Mr. Men and Little Miss characters, to use as a guide to colours and so on, included below.

● Cardboard, (for each character you will need a piece of cardboard at least A4 in size, plus some extra cardboard for reinforcing parts that stick out from the body, such as hats and feet). You could use cereal boxes as all the cardboard will be completely covered.

● Sticky tape

● Glue

● Scissors

● Things to colour in the characters, such as paints, crayons and felt-tip pens.

● Things to decorate the characters, such as different coloured wool, bits of ribbon and tissue paper.
Step by step guide:

**STEP 1**  Make sure that each child has a body shape template sheet and some cardboard to use. They can choose their shape from the sheets provided below. Also make sure that each child or small group of children has a selection of body parts and accessories sheets.

**BRIGHT IDEA**
You could cut out the parts and put them in trays labeled with a picture or word to show what they are, (e.g. hats, eyes), so the children can ‘pick and mix’ to select the parts they are going to use.

**STEP 2**  With the help of an adult, the children need to stick the body template sheet onto a piece of cardboard, and cut it out using the cut out lines as a guide.

**STEP 3**  Ask the children to colour in their character’s body. They can use any colour they like but if they are making their favourite character and want a guide to refer to you can show them the sheet of Mr. Men and Little Miss characters provided below.

**STEP 4**  The children now need to select body parts and accessories for their character and colour them in. If they are colouring in quite a small part they could put some scrap paper underneath in case they go over the edges.

**STEP 5**  If you haven’t already done this before starting the activity, the children now need to cut the different parts out, with the help of an adult helper. Note that the parts that will stick out from the body, (such as hats or shoes), have a tab included. This will help the children stick the part to their body shape.

**STEP 6**  Once all the parts are coloured in and dry, (if they have been using paint), it’s time to stick them to the body shape. Parts which go inside the body shape can be stuck straight on, (e.g., noses).

Parts which stick out of the body shape need to be reinforced by sticking them to some cardboard and cutting them out, taking care to include the tab. They can then be attached to the character, by sticking the tab onto the back of the body where it is hidden.

**STEP 7**  The children can now add more interest to their characters, for example, by giving a three-dimensional effect to shoes, hands and hats by building them up with wool or tissue paper, or sticking real ribbon to hair bows.

**STEP 8**  Lastly, the children can copy the names of their character onto the back of it, or pick their own name if they have invented a new one!
BRIGHT IDEAS

Can your little ones guess who the different character parts belong to?
As you are explaining the activity have some fun by showing them a hat, some shoes or a different part and seeing if they can guess who they belong to!

Role play: Once the Mr. Men and Little Miss characters are ready the children can role play how they think their character behaves. Some of the characters are featured in the ‘Mr. Men and Little Miss Action Game’ in the ‘Fun and Games’ section of our learning activities, so you could use these actions to get them started.

The children can also take their characters home so their parents can see what they have been learning and creating for RND ’09.
10 MR. MEN AND LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS

Refer to this sheet to check the colours and features of the different Mr. Men and Little Miss characters as the children are making their own.
Little Miss Sunshine’s, Mr. Funny’s and Mr. Noisy’s body shapes

BODY SHAPES FOR MR. MEN & LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS

Get your little ones to colour in these body shapes, then cut them out.
For colour reference look at the sheet showing the ten characters included in this pdf.
Step-by-step instructions are on the activity sheets.

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Mr. Strong’s body shape

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Little Miss Chatterbox’s body shape

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Mr. Tickle’s body shape

BODY SHAPES FOR MR. MEN CHARACTERS

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Little Miss Fun’s and Little Miss Giggles’ body shape

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Mr. Grumpy’s body shape

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SHOES FOR YOUR LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS

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HANDS FOR YOUR LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS

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LITTLE MISS GIGGLES’ FACE
LITTLE MISS CHATTERBOX’S FACE
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE’S FACE
LITTLE MISS FUN’S FACE

FACES FOR YOUR LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS

Colour in the faces and cut them out, or you can simply draw the faces on with a marker pen using this sheet as a guide. For colour reference look at the sheet showing the ten characters included in this pdf. Step-by-step instructions are on the activity sheets.

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HAIR STYLES FOR YOUR LITTLE MISS CHARACTERS

Get your little ones to colour in these hair styles, then cut them out. For colour reference look at the sheet showing the ten characters included in this pdf. Step-by-step instructions are on the activity sheets.

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Mr. Strong's hands

Mr. Grumpy's hands

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Mr. Noisy’s hands

Mr. Funny’s hands

Mr. Happy’s hands

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FACES FOR YOUR MR. MEN CHARACTERS

Cut these faces out, or you can simply draw them on with a marker pen using this sheet as a guide. Step-by-step instructions are on the activity sheets.
FACES FOR YOUR MR. MEN CHARACTERS

Colour in the noses and cut the faces out, or you can simply draw the faces on with a marker pen using this sheet as a guide.
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HATS FOR YOUR MR. MEN CHARACTERS

Get your little ones to colour in these hats, then cut them out.
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Mr. Strong’s hat
Mr. Grumpy’s hat
Mr. Funny’s hat
Mr. Tickle’s hat

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