LEARN to use paper to create a three-dimensional mask with a movable mouth to resemble talking. Children can make several Talking Heads and start their puppet show with creative stories.

GATHER your art supplies:
- 2 pieces of letter-size paper or construction paper
- Color papers
- Markers
- Scissors
- Glue

CREATE your own Talking Head Paper Mask! Follow along with the video tutorial at tennesseecraft.org/kids.

Step 1: Fold two pieces of letter-sized paper into fourths. Then draw a line down the middle on one half and draw a half oval line on the other half of the paper. *See template above.*

Step 2: Cut out the lines drawn and fold the bottom half into triangles as the video demonstrates.

Step 3: Draw eyes and a nose.

Step 4: Cut out ears. Then construct and glue them to the paper mask as the video demonstrates.

Step 5: Use your imagination to create other Talking Heads after mastering the basic one.

SHARE your artwork with friends and family on Facebook and Instagram using the hashtag #tncraftkids!

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“TALKING HEADS”

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“Talking Head” Paper Mask making is part of Chinese Arts Alliance of Nashville (CAAN)’s “Culture and Art Making” series. The culture part of this particular art making project is “Paper Making in Ancient China.” It was documented that Cai Lun was the man who can be credited with the invention and innovation of paper making in 105 A.D. in China. The invention of paper making had a tremendous impact on the world. We use paper in many forms and shapes, including this Talking Head.