

Directions for Making a Model of a Sandhill Crane

Materials:

- A sock (the color of the bird)
- Pipe cleaners for legs and feet
- Paper plates
- Felt or stiff construction paper for wings and beak
- Low-temperature glue gun
- Photographs of cranes from books (see List of Literature Resources) or the following websites:

--<http://savingcranes.org/>

--<http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/FISH.GAME/notebook/bird/crane.htm>

Procedure:

1. Discuss and show photographs of the crane.
2. Using felt, a paper plate, or construction paper make the wings and beak using the photographs as a reference. Cut into the correct shape and color the wings and beak.
3. Use pipe cleaners to make the legs and feet.
4. Color the wings, beak, legs, and feet.
5. Add color of shading to sock.
6. Attach wings, beak, legs, and feet with glue gun and let dry.
7. Put sock on arm and discuss the different parts.
8. Use the model crane as a puppet when retelling the story and describing an actual crane.