Make Your Own Princess, Unicorn and Smelly Foot Troll Marionettes

Materials:
Heavy Paper or Cardstock
Markers, crayons, or colored pencils
Scissors
Single Hole Punch
Brackets
Heavy thread
Tape
Craft sticks (long, thin sticks work best – like coffee stirrers)

Instructions:
Begin by making as many copies of the puppets below as you need on heavy paper or cardstock. If you are working with young children, you may want to cut around each puppet and cut the arms out separately before you hand them out. If students are old enough to cut the puppets out themselves, hand out the full page to color.

Once puppets are colored as desired, have students cut out each puppet and each puppet’s arm separately, if not already done.

Punch a hole on every “X” and attach the arm to the puppet body using a bracket. Then cut about a 6 inch piece of heavy thread for each puppet and tape it onto the back of the hand that you just attached. Lastly, tape a craft stick to the top of the puppet, behind the head. For the unicorn, just cut the puppet out and attach a stick on top in the middle of the body. This way, you control the puppets from above using a rod and string, just like the rod marionettes used in the show! Now you can talk, walk, dance, sing and wave with your puppets to make your own puppet show!