



Beavers Creative Activity Badge



Activity: Create a short stop animation film

You will need

Smartphone / tablet / iPad etc (under adult supervision) & a stand or tripod
Small figures/toys to use in your filming eg animals/dinosaurs/Lego figures

Instructions

Stop animation films are made by taking photos each showing a scene then putting them together to make a film. A professional example of a stop motion animation film is Shaun the Sheep. You will need to decide on a simple story eg you could have some Lego figures arriving at a picnic then a dinosaur comes along and the Lego figures run off. Another idea is to retell a fairy tale or well-known story in stop animation. You need to set up your scene and take photos just moving the characters a tiny bit each time, the film will look better if you make small changes between each photo.

The easiest way to do this is to use an app, there are many available to choose from. Stop Motion Studio is easy to use but please ensure this is used with adult supervision to avoid unwanted purchases. You can create simple stop motion animation films free of charge. Alternatively, photos can be taken and stitched together using Apple iMovie or Windows Movie Maker to make the film.

See here for a good description of stop animation film making:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=70iNa0JR47k>

Risk Assessment

Who is at risk?	Beavers
What are the risks?	Safeguarding whilst using the internet
How can the risks be minimized?	Activity must be done under adult supervision