



# Learning FUN!

## Activity



### Dino Showstoppers



#### Teacher-Made Activity

*Build a stage that encourages children to create unique puppets for sparking lively discussions about diversity.*

#### You'll Need:

- T10865** Dino-Mite Pals™ Mini Accents Variety Pack
- T92838** Dino Spots Terrific Trimmers®
- T92386** Grass Terrific Trimmers®
- T85308** Purple Bolder Borders®

Jumbo colored craft sticks, glue, scissors, and foam core

#### Stage Directions (13" x 10"):

- For a 13" x 10" stage frame, cut a 13" strip of the Dino and Grass trimmers.
- Cut a 10" piece of purple border. Cut down the center, so you have two 1 3/8" x 10" pieces.
- Glue pieces together as shown to create the frame.
- **See diagram for next steps.** For stability, back the frame with a stand. Cut a 17" x 10" piece of foam core. Then cut an 11" x 7" opening in the center.
- Cut away the 5 1/2" x 4" x 2" area on each side. Lightly score on dotted line on front side and fold back.
- Glue frame to stand.

#### Puppet Directions:

- Each child creates a puppet by gluing a mini accent to a craft stick. For a two-sided puppet, glue the matching left- or right-facing accent to the back of the stick.
- It's show time! Sit back and watch kids put on plays, bring stories to life, and comfortably express themselves with this fun puppet theater.

#### Make It Your Own:

Use leftover trimmers, borders, and art supplies to give the puppet theater a new look. Invite kids to create their own imaginative puppets using construction paper and crayons.

