



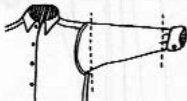
The Art of the Bullfighting

A matador uses his cape to get the bull to attack during a bullfighting event. He fights the bull in a bullring (plaza de toros) in front of hundreds of people. There are many bullrings in Spain and Mexico.

Instructions For Making A Puppet From An Old Shirt

1. Use the sleeve of an old shirt or blouse. Cut it as shown in Step 1. Turn it inside out.

AN OLD SHIRT SLEEVE CAN BECOME A PUPPET!



2. Tie a string around the smallest end very tightly.



3. Turn the sleeve inside out (the tied string is no longer seen).



4. Fill the head by stuffing it with cotton, facial tissue, paper towels. Tie another string around the neck. Leave room for your finger to go up into the head.



5. Place your index finger way up into the head. Then cut two small holes for your thumb and second finger.



6. Glue on the face and hair.



The matador is an artist who is treated like a pop star. He dresses in fancy clothes and carries a cape.



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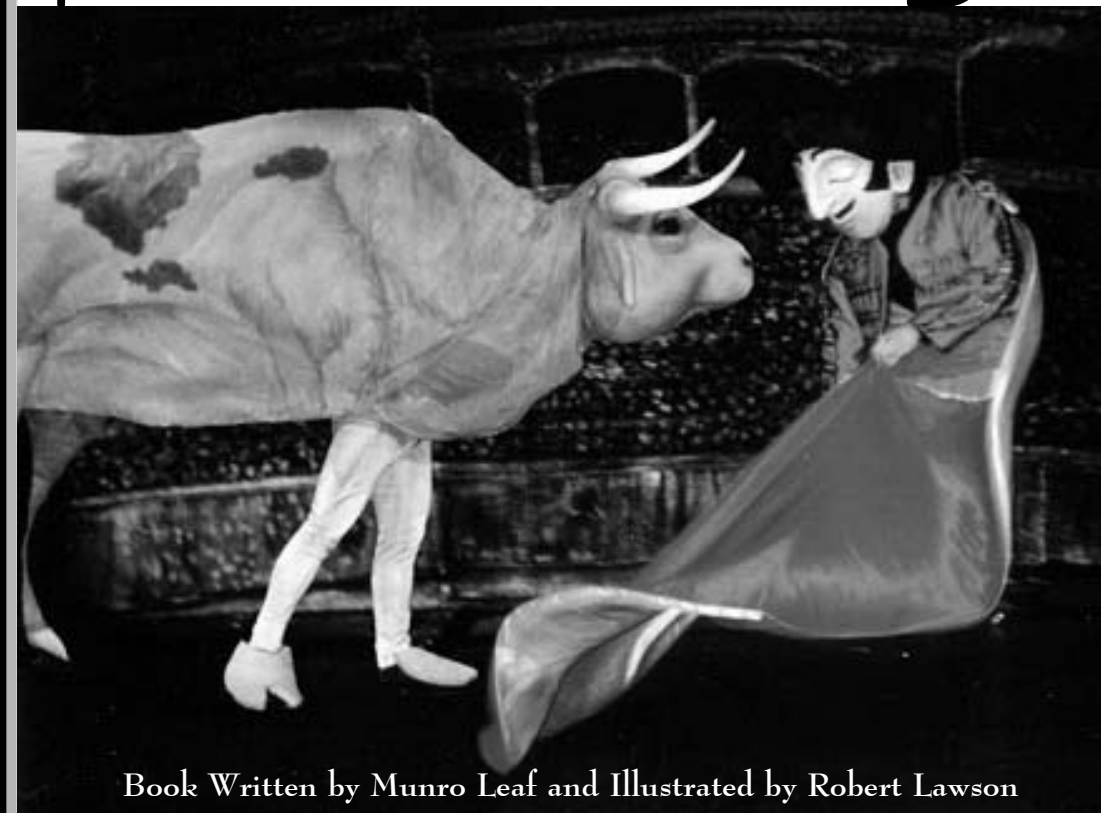
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Ferdinand the Bull



Book Written by Munro Leaf and Illustrated by Robert Lawson

Puppet Play by Hudson Vagabond Puppets

Ferdinand is a bull growing up in the Spanish countryside. When the other bulls run and fight with each other, he prefers to sit in the shade of a cork tree and smell the flowers. His mother tries to persuade him to run and play, but nothing can convince him to fight with the other bulls.

Ferdinand grows up to be a big, strong bull nonetheless, and in time five men from the city come to the countryside to pick the strongest, meanest bull for the bullfight in Madrid. Just then, Ferdinand sits on a bumblebee and the men from the city see an amazing display of furious jumping and kicking by the astonished bull. The men choose him as the meanest bull. Ferdinand is taken in a wagon to the bullfight.

In the city, the people are preparing for the bullfight with a big festival of dancing and singing. Ferdinand finds himself in the center of a huge ring of people shouting and clapping with flowers strewn about everywhere. The Matador arrives, proud and severe, but try as he might, he could not get Ferdinand to fight, so he is sent home. Ferdinand, as usual, preferred to just sit and smell the flowers.

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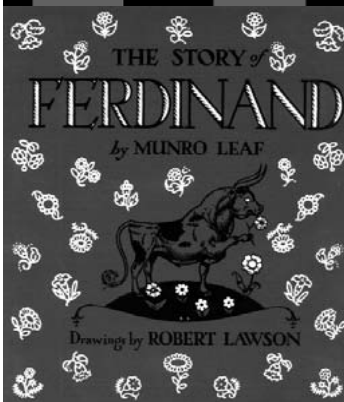
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Meet the Author

MUNRO LEAF wrote The Story of Ferdinand in less than one hour. He chose his good friend Robert Lawson to draw the pictures for the book. This book is over 70 years old and has been printed in more than 60 languages. If you like this book, you might also like to read Wee Gillis.

"What do you call a bull that can't be stopped?"
Answer: Unstopp-a-BULL

Meet the Illustrator

Robert Lawson loved to read when he was a boy. He drew all of the picture illustrations for The Story of Ferdinand. If you look at the pictures, they help you understand the story of Ferdinand. The pictures are also very funny. When Ferdinand sits under the cork tree, he drew bunches of corks hanging on the tree. Cork is found in the bark of the tree, not hanging on the limbs! He is also well known for his drawings in Mr. Popper's Penguins. He wrote and illustrated Ben and Me, a story about Benjamin Franklin and his inventions, and Rabbit Hill, a story about rabbits living on his land. He has been awarded both the Caldecott and Newbery Medals for his illustrations.



"Some of the bravest people in the world have never raised a fist or sword.
And they changed the world." - Ferdinand

Did you know?

Ferdinand the Bull loves to sit under a cork tree. Did you know that the cork on a bulletin board comes from a cork tree? Cork is made of cells that separate the outer bark from the interior bark. Cork is also used to make bottle stoppers and cork tile floors.

Just about every tree has an outer layer of cork bark, but the cork oak is the primary source of most cork products in the world. These trees primarily grow in countries such as Spain where there's plenty of sunshine, low rainfall and high humidity.



Kinds of Puppets



Hand Puppet

Worn on the hand like a glove, the puppet moves as the hand and fingers move



Shadow Puppet

Simple, flat shapes that use a light to make the puppet look like a shadow



String Puppet

Also called a marionette puppet, it has strings attached to a bar to help it move



Body Puppet

Large size puppet with one or two people inside making it move



Rod Puppet

Sticks are attached to the hands and head to make it move



"What's a bull's favorite kind of meat?"
Answer: BULL-ogna