



## EARTH HOUR

*Earth Hour is a worldwide movement to support energy conservation and sustainability. In cities around the world, individuals, businesses and famous landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, the CN Tower, and the Statue of Liberty go dark for one hour. While we turn out the lights to save electricity, let's get out some flashlights and have fun in the dark.*

### This week's activities: Shadow Play – Shadow Theatre

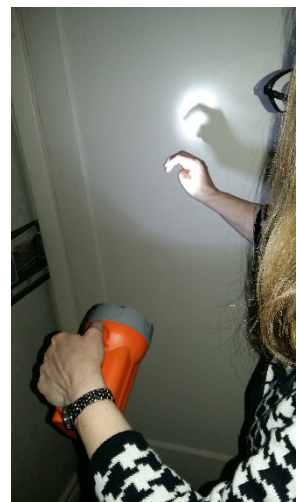
## Shadow Play

### Suggested Materials:

- Blank wall or door
- Flashlight
- Your hands

### Directions:

You can hold the flashlight in one hand and make shapes with the other hand or you can place your flashlight against a surface turned on facing toward a wall or door. Or ask someone in your home to help. What shapes can you make using your fingers (circle, triangle, heart)? Can you create any animal shapes or shapes that you see in nature?



## Shadow Theatre with Stick Puppets

### Suggested Materials:

- Black paper
- Tape
- Scissors
- Popsicle sticks (or straws)
- Flashlight
- Ruler
- Blank wall



### Tell a Story with Stick Puppets

1. Think about a story you'd like to tell – use one you know or make it up.
2. Draw your characters on paper and cut them (if you don't have black paper, you can use any colour and colour them black).

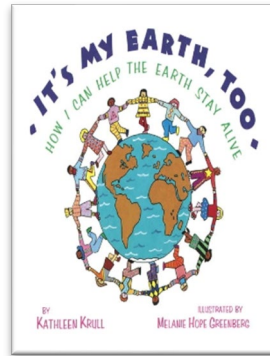
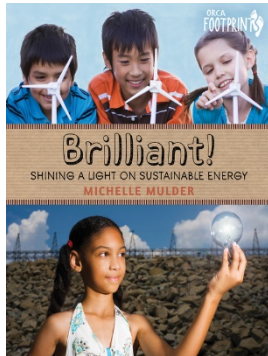
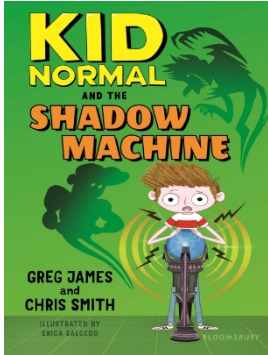


3. Cut out your figures and tape them to the popsicle sticks.
4. Have someone point the flashlight toward the wall (or prop it up).
5. Take your stick puppets and tell your story.
6. Optional: Take a white sheet and drape it over two chairs. Flash your light toward the sheet and go behind the sheet with your stick puppets. Can you see your puppets?

## Links to eResources:

Check out our [eBooks](#) on these topics:

[Sustainability](#) | [Environmentalism](#)



Read *Faces of the Moon* on [Tumblebooks](#).

On [KanopyKids](#), watch *Artzooka* Episode 4 to find out how to make a shadow theatre out of a packing box. Watch Little Bear's Shadow in Season 1, Episode 5 of *Little Bear*.

You can get a library card at [hpl.ca/online-registration](http://hpl.ca/online-registration).

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