

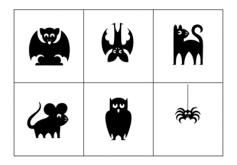
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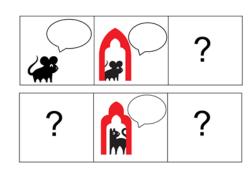
Meet Gizmo the Gargoyle, Belfry the Bat, Cloisters the Cat, Mullion the Mouse, Ogee the Owl and Spires the Spider.

You'll find these creatures taking part in our children's and families' activities, both online and inside our churches. If you can't visit in person right now <u>click</u> to explore inside one of these amazing historic buildings and <u>here</u> to find more activities to try at home

Read on to create games, puppets, cartoons and poems!









B ehind the rafters I hide by day,

E xploring the church as dusk makes its way,

L earning the stories of long ago

F luttering my wings as I look far below,

R eturning to rest before the sun's up

Y ou'll be lucky to spot me once I've curled up!





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Games and puppets

Gizmo games

- Print out two sets of the sheets, stick them onto card (the back of a cereal box will do) and cut them out.
- Decorate the back of the cards with your own design or leave them blank.
- You're now ready to play snap or pairs. You could even make up your own games.

Performing puppets

- Copy or print one of the creatures, stick it onto card, then carefully cut it out.
- Tape a stick or strip of card to the back and you've made a stick puppet!
- Alternatively tape two separate threads to the back and knot the ends on a pencil or straw.
- Can you make a theatre for your puppets from a cereal box. You could shape the front like an arch and decorate the inside with bright colours and patterns.
- How do you imagine your character sounds? What might they say? Try creating a voice for your puppet!



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Cartoons and poems

Cartoon characters

- Why not make a cartoon strip introducing your favourite character.
- What kind of creature are they? Where do they like to hide in the church? What do they like to do and eat?
- Do they get into mischief or go on any adventures?





Poetry

- How about making up a poem?
- Try putting together a two line rhyme about one of the creatures.
- What about trying an acrostic poem, where the first letter of each line spells out a name? It doesn't have to rhyme.

