

How to make a Victorian Toy: Thaumatrope



You will Need:
1 circle of card
2 pieces of string
Pencils



A Thaumatrope is a very early version of animation- making two different images look like they are appearing at the same time!

Step 1:

Make 2 holes, one either side of your card circle and tie a piece of string to each



Step 2:

Draw a simple picture on one side of the card circle- you could try an owl like Athena or a fanoos (Flo's lamp)



Step 3:

Draw another picture on the other side
-a cage for Athena or the glow of the lamp!

Tip: Make sure you draw one of them upside down!



Step 4:

Hold the strings between your fingers on each hand and spin them as fast as you can- your images should now look like they've combined to cage Athena or light the lamp!