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Christy Graunke : You can make Puppet Costumes! before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised You can make Puppet Costumes!:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Every puppeteer's dream!By Happy MomWow! This is exactly the book I was needing but was afraid I'd never find. The author does a wonderful job explaining everything from fabric selection to pattern design and sewing techniques. With a friendly, you-can-do-this writing style, she walks you through each step of creating the perfect costumes for all kinds of puppets in all kinds of roles, right down to the hats, ties, capes, aprons, and, if desired, even shoes. The only thing I would add would be a section on wigs, which were not discussed (I guess most puppets come with hair).4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Creative costume ideas with easy to follow directions.By A CustomerThis is a well written instructional book with all the basic, easy to follow directions for making puppet costumes. The author takes you from fabric to notions to pattern making. There are cute drawings every step of the way for novice sewers and some great tips you may have forgotten if you already know how to sew! Most of the information could also be applied to making clothes for dolls or stuffed animals. The soft cover and spiral binding allows this book to be left open and flat for ease in following along when sewing. Very cute puppet costume ideas! Well worth the price. Let your imagination soar!2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Best of Show in an STC Pubs CompetitionBy M. AceI was pleased to present Christy with a Best of Show award in the Technical Publications Competition sponsored by the Willamette Valley Chapter of the STC, here in Portland, OR. The judges were unanimously impressed by the meticulous detail, the detailed drawings, the organization of the material, and the good humored writing style. Christy has done a marvelous job in designing and writing this book. If you have personal interest in this topic, you can't go wrong.

With this illustrated step-by-step how-to book, you can dress up any type of puppet (or doll!) with shirts, skirts, suits,

pants, capes, hats, dresses, jumpers, shoes, accessories, and much more! From basic sewing steps and easy pattern making to choosing fabric that will start the show, this book includes everything you need to know to begin suiting up your puppets. Whether you need a single outfit for a quick skit or a complete wardrobe for a professional performance, you can make puppet costumes! "Suit"able for hand puppets, rod puppets, human hand puppets, marionettes, ventriloquist characters, dolls, stuffed animals, and more. No prior sewing experience needed!

From the Publisher No puppets were harmed in the making of this book (although they did become better dressed!) About the Author An obsessed puppet fanatic since early junior high, Christy Graunke has done just about every type of puppet related activity... performing, construction, scripting, and oh yes, costuming! While pursuing a minor in professional writing, she discovered that she could combine her puppetry interests with her passion for publishing. And presto! After two and half years of hard labor, over 400 illustrations, and many yards of fabric later, her hands-on book (You can make Puppet Costumes!) is ready for your hands. Member Puppeteers of America, Society for Technical Communication Excerpt. Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. First things first: of characters costumes Costumes enliven and impress, entertain and inform. They help the audience tell the good guys from the bad guys, the Cinderella in rags from the Cinderella in magical riches. They can turn the same puppet into a dancer, a firefighter, a milkmaid, a princess, or a clown. Making a costume is a lot like making a whole new puppet. And that's exciting! You don't need to sew perfectly to create recognizable characters through costumes...