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Smart Activities



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## Scarecrow, Scarecrow

**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/fAc23S-7PyY>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Watch the video with your child.
2. Have him/her sing and move along with the nursery rhyme song.



## Scarecrow

by Cynthia Rylant

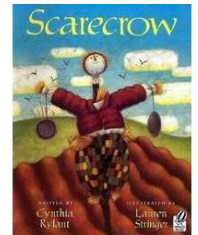
**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/mwet8QT0TIE>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "What is a scarecrow made out of?" "What do the crows see in the scarecrow?" "What is being planted around him?"



## Scarecrow Band

**Materials:** pots, pans, spoons (wooden and metal), cups, metal bowls, colander

**Preparation:** Gather materials.

**Instructions:**

1. Show your child the pots and pans.
2. Say, "We are going to make music like the pans that were hanging on the scarecrow in the story."
3. Encourage your child to experiment with the different items and listen to the sounds.



## Sign Language "Apple"

**Instructions:**

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2. Demonstrate the sign and then have your child make the sign.
3. Pivot the knuckle of the dominant closed index finger or "A" thumb back and forth on the cheek.



## The Feelings Song

**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/-J7HcVLsCrY>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Watch the video with your child.
2. Discuss the different feelings he/she may have and point out the facial expressions.



## The Lonely Scarecrow

by Tim Preston

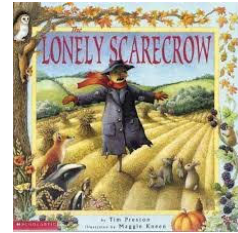
**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/JL4D7S-XRWg>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "Why were the animals scared of the scarecrow?" "What happened to the scarecrow when it snowed?"



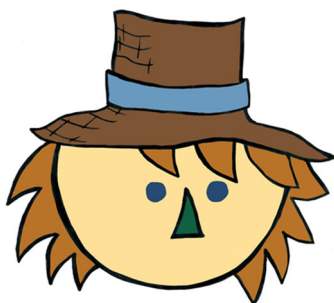
## Scarecrow Expressions

**Materials:** Scarecrow Expressions template, scissors

**Preparation:** Print and cut out template.

**Instructions:**

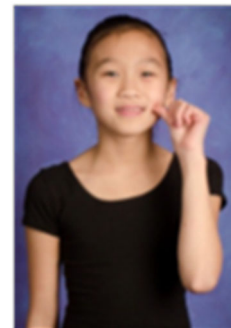
1. Show your child the scarecrow body and faces.
2. Encourage him/her to put a face on the scarecrow, say how the scarecrow is feeling, and then change up the faces.



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## Dingle Dangle Scarecrow

**Materials:** hat, internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/TXxa2SVIQyE>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Give your child a hat to wear.
2. Watch the video with your child.
3. Have him/her sing and follow what the scarecrow does with his hat, hands, and feet.



## Scarecrows Secret!

by Heather Amery

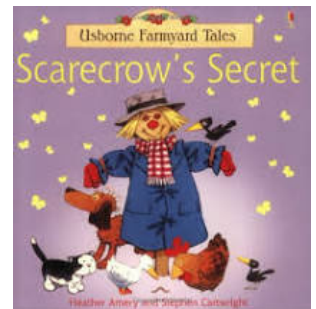
**Materials:** internet access, website:

[https://youtu.be/vD0r\\_9qAICw](https://youtu.be/vD0r_9qAICw)

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "How did they build the scarecrow?" "What was the scarecrow's secret?"



## Scarecrow Yoga

**Preparation:** Locate a safe, open area.

**Instructions:**

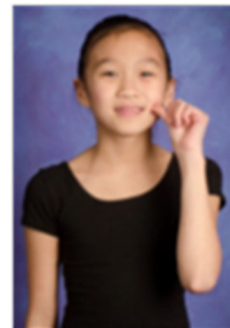
1. Tell your child that he/she is going to exercise like a "scarecrow."
2. Stand with your feet shoulder width apart while keeping your tummy muscles tight.
3. Move your arms slightly out like a scarecrow.
4. Now, breathe in and out and sway side to side in the wind.



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## Scarecrow by Dr. Jean

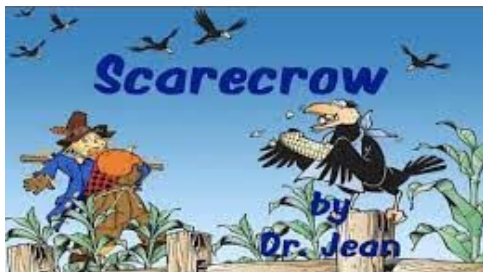
**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/3gDRC-1HsXY>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Say, "We are going to exercise and follow directions from Dr. Jean."
2. Encourage your child to follow the instructions in the video.



## The Scarecrow

by Beth Ferry

**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/S5orjZdC-80>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "What fell by Scarecrow?" "What happened when he let the little crow go?" "Was he happy or sad?"



## Scarecrow, Scarecrow

**Materials:** Scarecrow, Scarecrow Poem

**Preparation:** Preview words.

**Instructions:**

1. Begin to read the words and encourage your child to do the motions.
2. This works on listening, movement, and gross motor skills.



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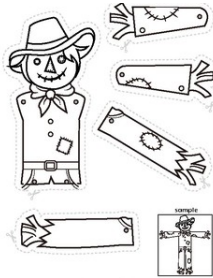
## Find & Build a Scarecrow

**Materials:** Scarecrow Parts template, scissors

**Preparation:** Print template. Cut out and hide the parts of the scarecrow.

**Instructions:**

1. Tell your child that he/she is going to look for the parts of the scarecrow using your hints.
2. As your child finds the parts, he/she can name them and bring them to you.
3. Once all parts are found, have your child put the scarecrow together.



## The Gardener and the Scarecrow

by Dot Meharry

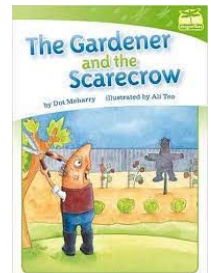
**Materials:** internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/A7jenPHP7xM>

**Preparation:** Preview video.

**Instructions:**

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask, "What were the birds doing to the garden?" "What did he make to keep the birds away?" "Who did it look like?"



## Scarecrow Dress Up

**Materials:** large shirt, baggy pants or overalls, hat

**Preparation:** Gather materials.

**Instructions:**

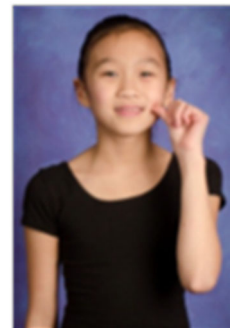
1. Show your child the clothes and encourage him/her to dress up like a scarecrow.
2. Talk about the job of the scarecrow.
3. Have your child move around his/her arms and legs to scare away the birds.



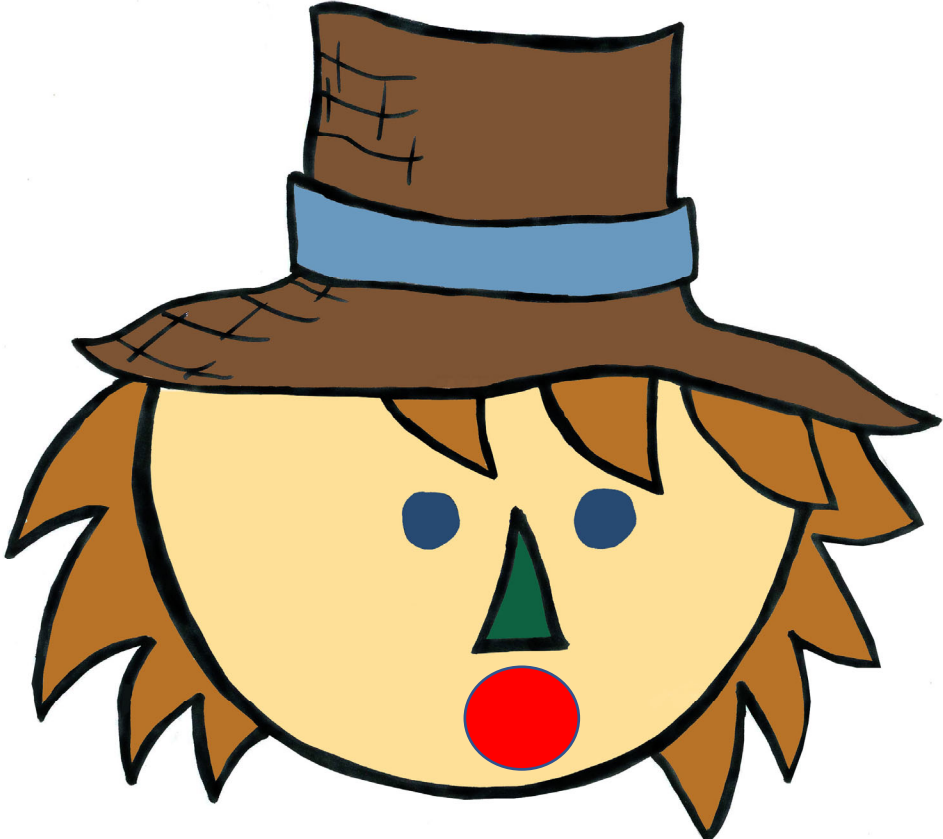
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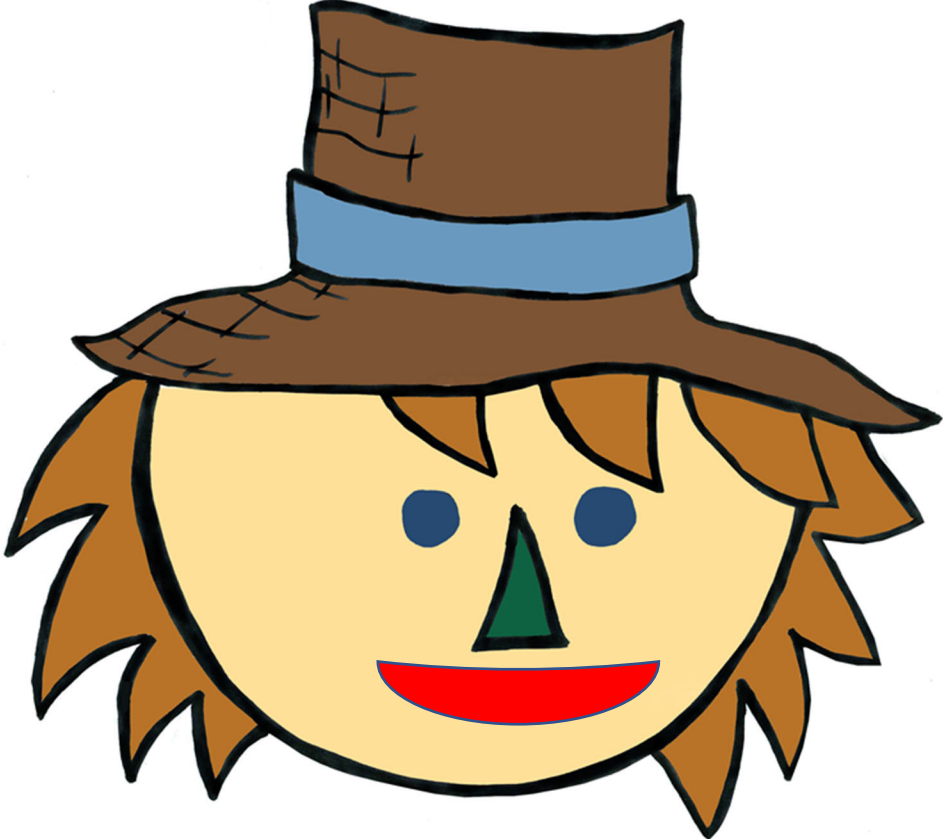
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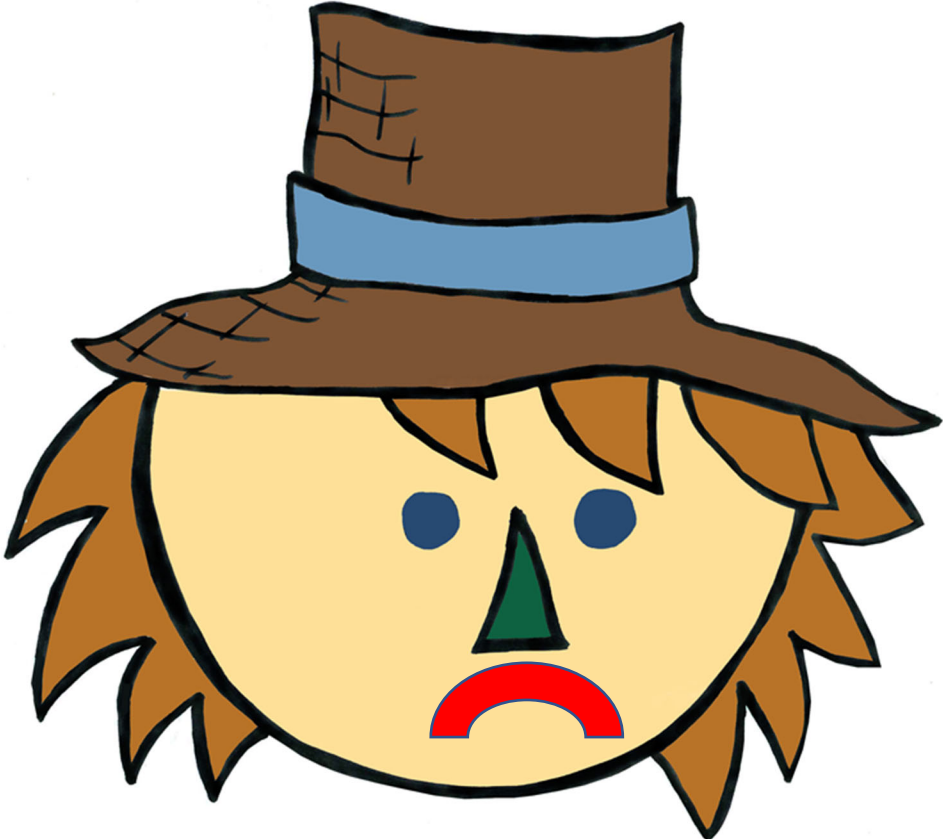


**Scared or Surprised**

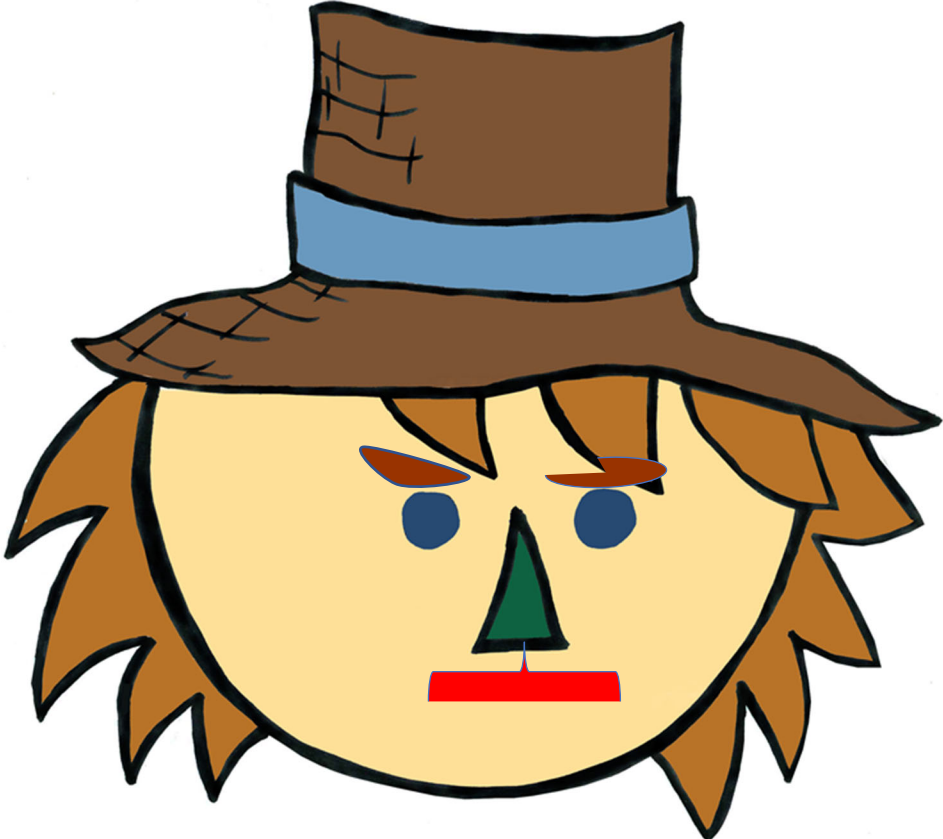


**Happy**

**Scarecrow Expressions Template**



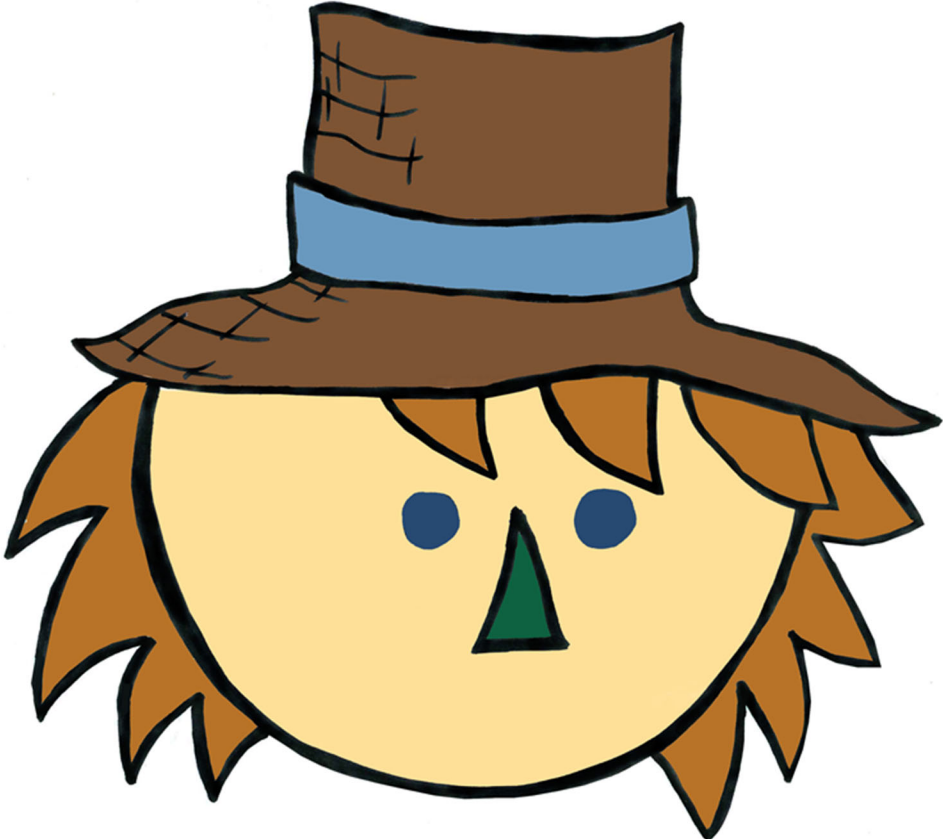
**Sad**



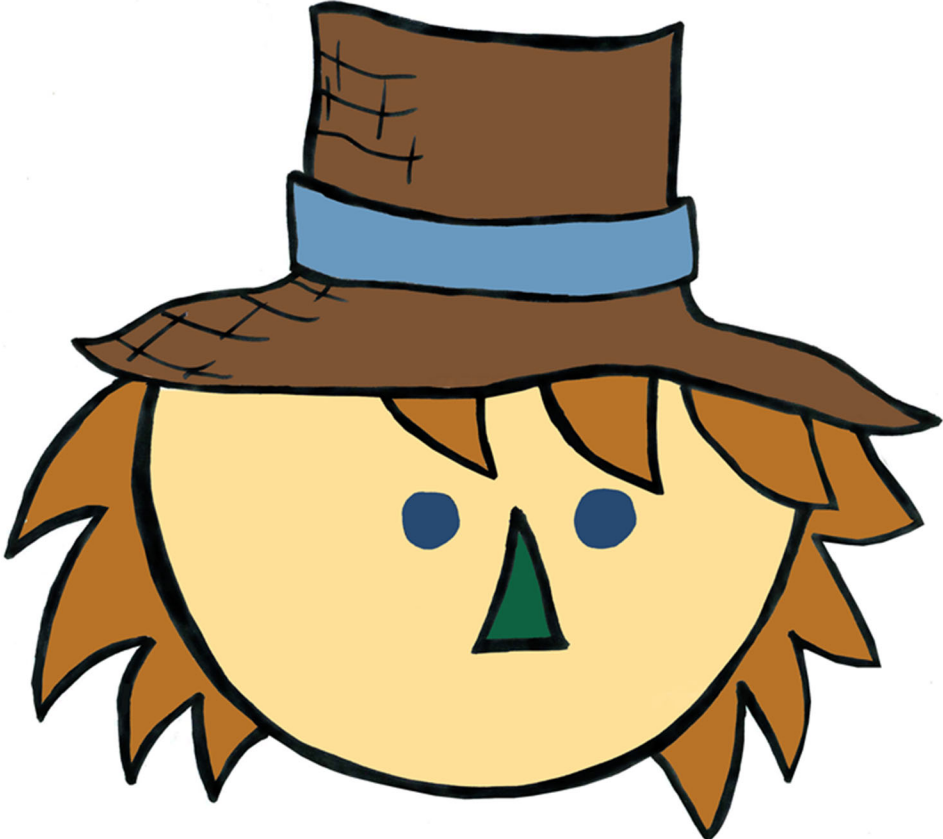
**Mad**



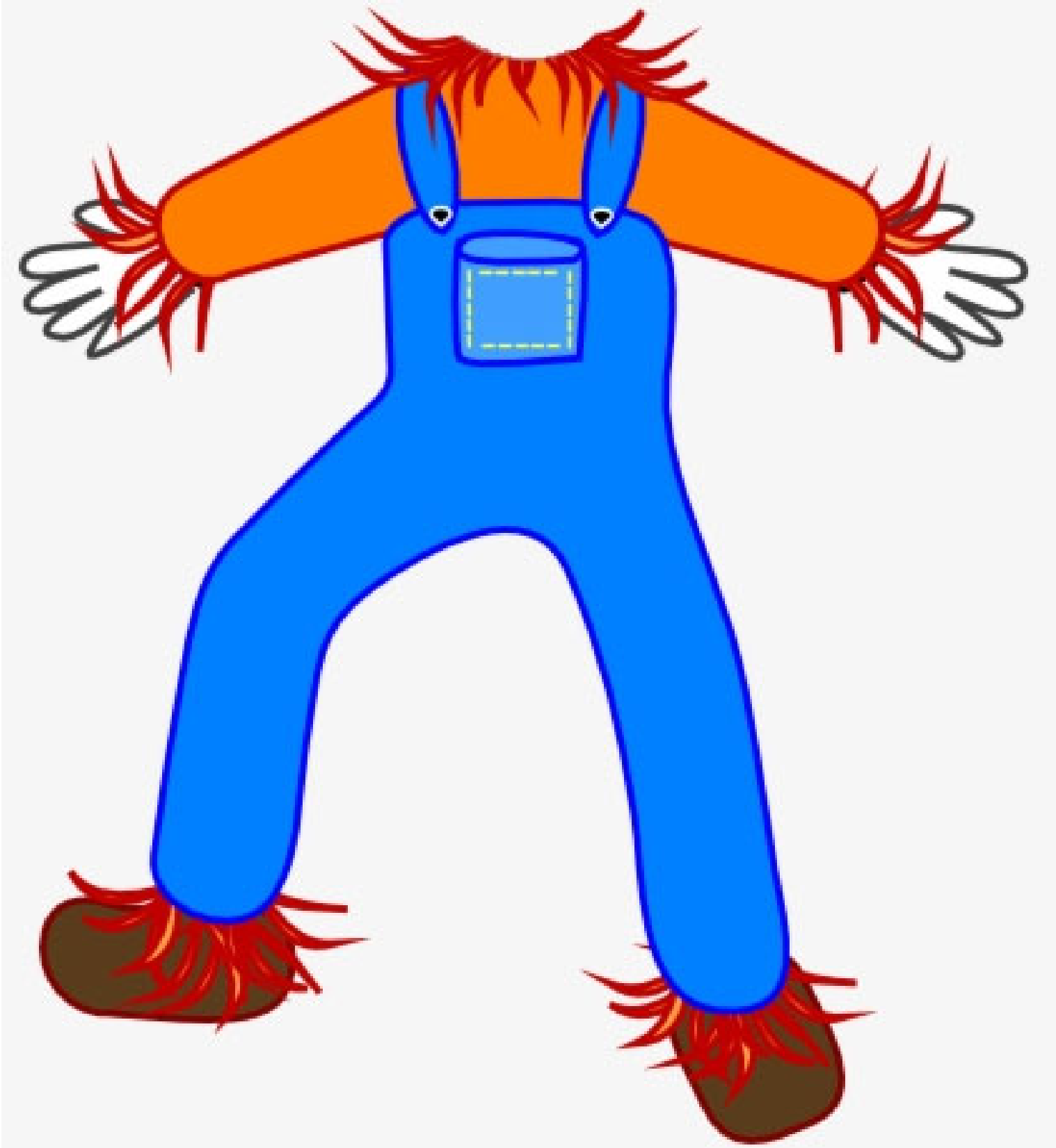
**Scarecrow Expressions Template**



**Extra Faces-  
Make Your  
Own  
Expressions**



Scarecrow Expressions Template



## **Scarecrow, Scarecrow**

*by Jolanda Garcia, KidsSoup Inc.*

Scarecrow, Scarecrow, turn around  
Scarecrow, Scarecrow, look at the  
ground

Scarecrow, Scarecrow, raise your  
arms high

Scarecrow, Scarecrow, wink with one  
eye

Scarecrow, Scarecrow, bend your  
knees

Scarecrow, Scarecrow, flap in the  
breeze

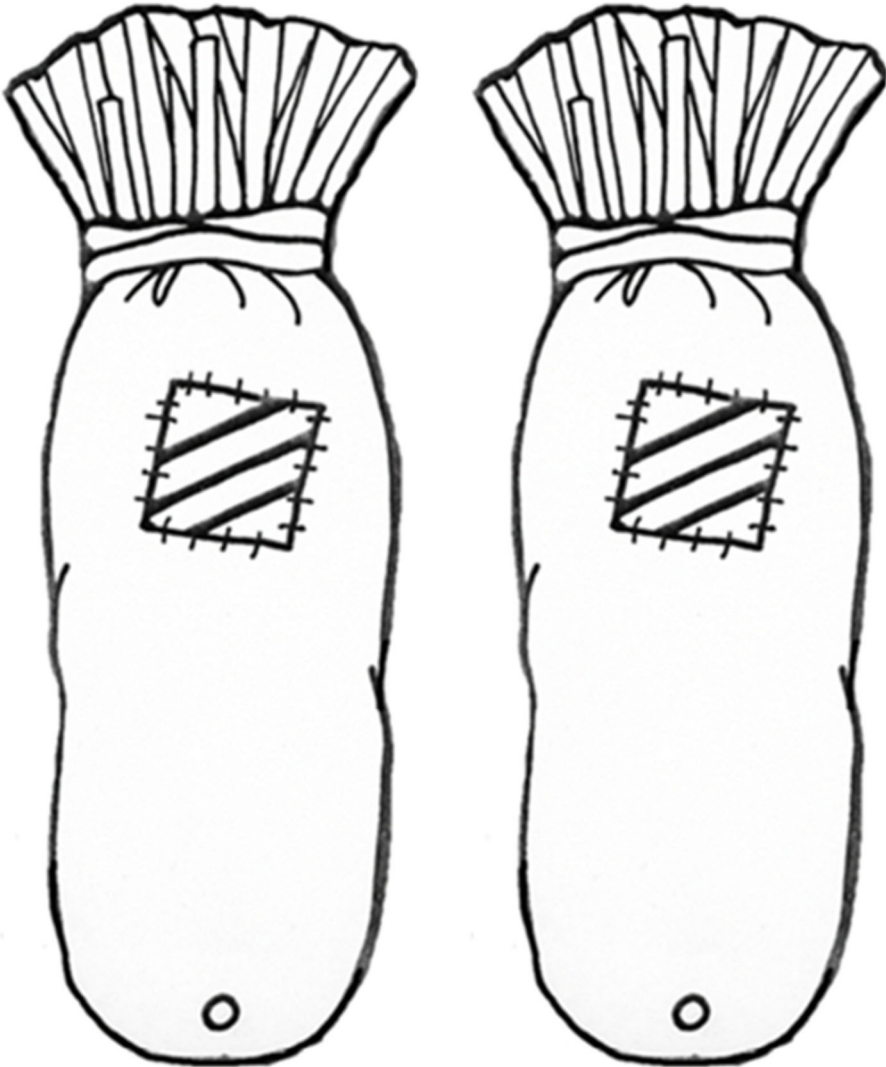
Scarecrow, Scarecrow, wave and  
sway

Scarecrow, Scarecrow, keep those  
crows away

Scarecrow Parts Template



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