



MoPOP's exhibit *Heroes and Villains: The Art of the Disney Costume* showcases how costume design is an integral part of storytelling. In this activity families can practice making their very own hero and villain costumes from all kinds of different materials right at home. You will use your imagination and creativity to design your original take on hero and villain costumes. Remember that to be a designer is to be an artist and there are no right or wrong answers!

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This kit explores royal heroes and villains. From a tiara to glass slippers, a character's costume tells us a lot about them. Designers use visual cues like colors and textures to tell the audience about their characters. For example, look at these two costumes. What do you notice?



Both costumes are worn by characters who are royalty. The designer indicates this by using fancy, unique fabrics and adding complex details.

- ❖ Based on the colors, textures, and other details that you see in the costumes, can you guess which one is worn by a hero and which is worn by a villain?
- ❖ Can you think of other examples of royal heroes and villains from movies, books, or TV shows?

## Instructions

What you will need: Scissors, glue or tape, and coloring tools

You can also follow along with our instruction video at [MoPOP.org/education](http://MoPOP.org/education)

**Part 1 - Color and Texture** - One of the first things that designers do when making a costume for a character is think about what colors and textures they want to use!



### Think about

- ❖ The colors of the materials. Are they bright like yellow or red? Or dull like gray or brown? Do they make you feel happy or sad?
- ❖ The textures of the materials. How do they feel when you touch them? Are they rough or smooth?

1. Sort the sample materials into two piles, one for your hero and one for your villain. Pick three materials for each character with colors and textures that you want to use. Below are some questions to help you plan your design.



### Ask

- ❖ What colors and textures do you think royal heroes wear?
- ❖ What colors and textures do you think royal villains wear?
- ❖ Think of some heroes and villains from the exhibit or pop culture. What colors and textures were used in their costumes?



### Discuss

- ❖ There are lots of conventions that designers can choose whether to follow. It is okay to break from traditional choices and dress your villain in a pink tutu or your hero in a gray cape if you want to. Remember that there are no right or wrong ways to create your costumes!

## Part 2 – Creating Costumes

2. Choose one of the provided costume templates to be your royal hero and one to be your royal villain.
3. Have an adult help cut along the dotted lines of both templates. So that you are left with holes where the costumes are.



4. Color in the figure's features and add hair and accessories to your character from the accessories template. You can also add hair using yarn or string if you wish.
5. Create costumes for your characters by holding your figure up to different materials! Remember to think of the colors and textures for heroes and villains.
6. Use the sample materials from the kit or find new materials around the house. Try overlapping multiple materials. Here are some ideas of materials to look for:



Magazines



Netting (from fruit or vegetable bags)



Aluminum foil



Plastic food wrappers



Wrapping paper



Leaves



Feathers or fuzz



Paint samples



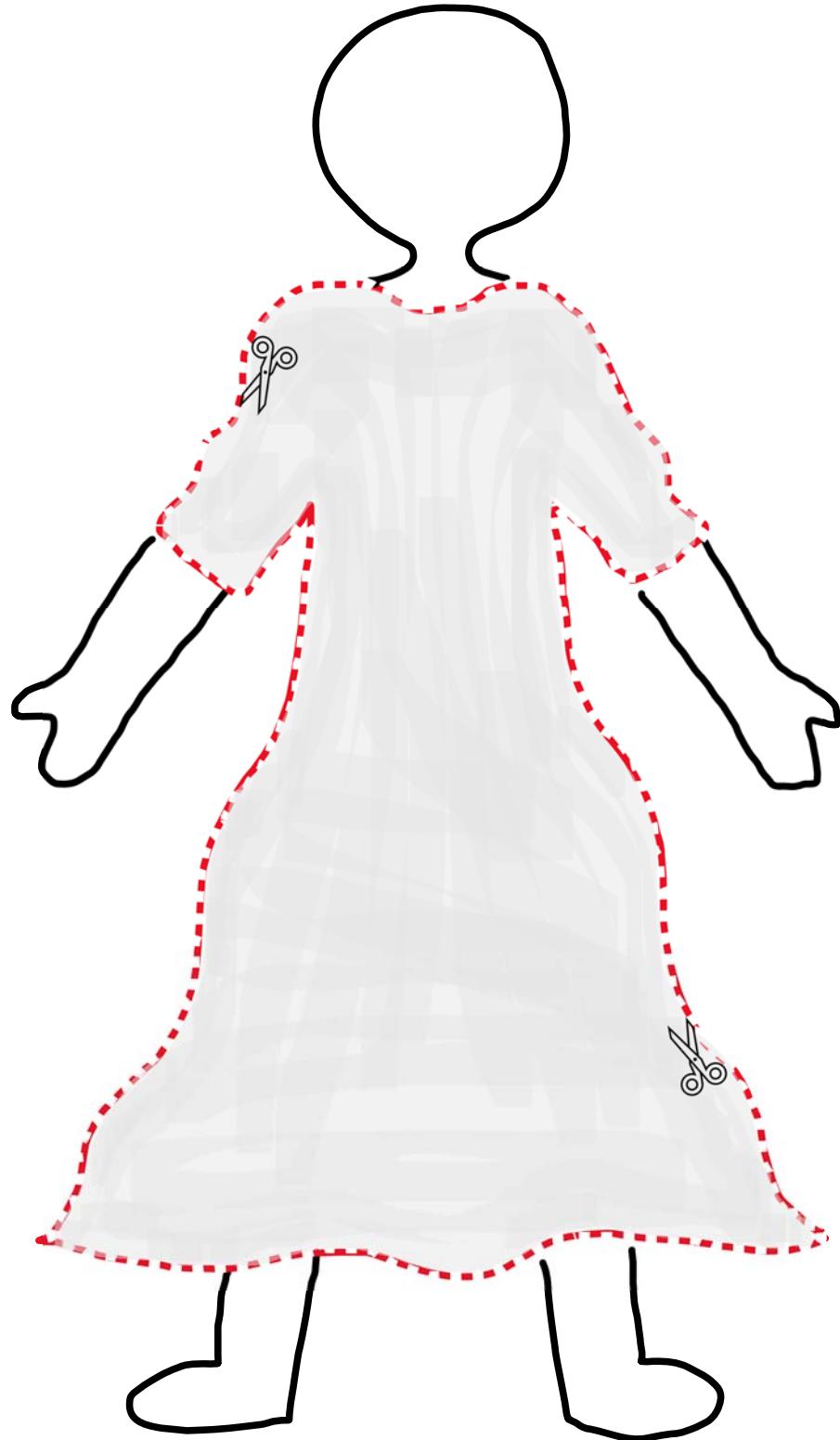
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## ACCESSORIES TEMPLATE



Cut out the shaded area

along the dotted lines



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