Paper Doll

This doll is wearing a traditional parka from the Yup’ik people. In a cold climate like Alaska, where temperatures reach below 30 degrees Fahrenheit, it is very important to keep warm! Parkas can be made of muskrat, squirrel and rabbit fur and can include beaded headdresses, detailed belts and fur hats. All of the details demonstrate how generations of Yup’ik people combine function, love and beauty in their traditional clothing.

Today, parkas are worn for special celebrations, like family reunions and graduations, as well as public ceremonies. Because of the great detail and love that goes into making a parka, it can sometimes take up to eight months to create a life-size one!

Instructions

1. Color the parka and doll
2. Cut out the parka along the bold black lines
   Be sure to carefully cut around the tabs surrounding the parka & cut the hole for the doll’s face
3. Cut out the paper doll
4. Place the cutout parka over the doll body and fold the paper tabs around the doll to secure it.
5. Enjoy!