



DID YOU KNOW the term *collage* comes from the French word *coller*, meaning "to paste or to glue"?

Create a collage

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Activity CREATE A COLLAGE

You can create a collage of your own! First, collect interesting and colorful objects from outside or around the house. Use your imagination! But be sure to check with an adult to make sure it's OK for you to use the items you collected.

DIRECTIONS

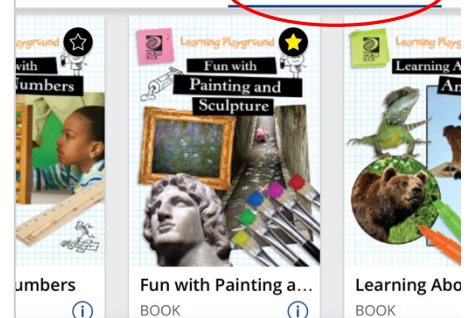
1. Put on the apron, smock, or T-shirt to protect your clothes. Cover your workspace with newspaper.
2. Prepare your workspace by covering it with one layer of white latex house paint or gesso. Let it dry completely.
3. Paint the cardboard with interesting shapes and colors. Let it dry completely.
4. Apply glue to areas on your board where you would like to attach your pictures and collected objects. Press the objects to the glued areas. Let it dry completely.
5. Have an adult help you remove objects from areas of your collage. Use a sharp knife to cut around the objects. Use stronger glue to seal the collage.

MATERIALS

- Apron, smock, or old T-shirt
- Newspaper
- Sponge
- 12 inch x 12 inch (30 centimeter x 30 centimeter) piece of magazine or heavy cardboard
- Gesso or latex house paint
- Pictures cut from magazines
- Scissors
- Paint (water color or tempera)
- Paintbrushes
- Water
- Glue
- Small objects found around the house or outside, such as dry pasta, rice, bottle caps, labels, wrappers, cotton balls, stickers, packing peanuts, rope, acorns, pinecones, leaves (check with an adult first)
- Photographs or images cut from photographs (check with an adult first)
- Spray glitter (have an adult help you with this)
- Water-based varnish or other sealer

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Fun Facts:

- Collage is sometimes used to illustrate children's books.
- Modern artists including Pablo Picasso began experimenting with collage about 1912.