July 2023

Pieces of Art

Be careful and don't use too much glue with this art project! Or do and see what wonder you will create, like Matty from this month's story!

You will need: construction paper (different colors), scissors, and glue.

1.Cut your construction paper into different sizes and shapes. Make sure you leave one piece of paper whole so you can glue your snippets to it.

2.Arrange and glue the snipped pieces of paper to create your work of art.

You can try to make a scene or object, like a flower or sunset. Or keep your work abstract arranging the paper however you feel in the moment.

Use the TAAP strategy and the suggested words below to talk about your art. Remember, keep your speech natural and let the art and conversation lead you.

Talk about it



Oh no!

That's **too** much! **Oh no too** much glue!

Ask a Question





Will it stick?
Will it break?
Will it work?

Acknowledge via Response



Yikes! That didn't work.

Yikes!

Yikes! He's more stuck.

Propel the conversation or Predict



He is still stuck. Let's see if **he** will get out. I think **he** will...

Let's Learn About: **Texture**

Texture means the way something feels. For example, things can feel smooth, bumpy, rough, soft, hairy, hard, or sticky.

When creating, we can give our pieces of art different textures by putting things on the canvas or sculpture to give it texture. You can also create texture with paint by making something look like it feels a certain way.

Try creating something with a different texture this month. And don't forget all the things you can say with WordPower about art!









Sculpture is Fun!

In this month's PRC-Saltillo Calendar story, we saw Matty create a fun work of art when he got stuck in glue. At the end of the story, his dad turned that into a sculpture.

This month, we want you to try your hand at sculpting. You can use Playdoh, modeling clay, or any other type of dough or material you want. Create a realistic sculpture, like making a dog, cat, or other thing you see in your life. Or you can make an abstract sculpture.



Let's Write About It!

Now that you have created several wonderful works of art, let's reflect. Art makes us feel things, so let's write about it! Answer the questions below using the predictable chart to write about your art.

How do you feel about your ar	t?
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I feel _____







How does your art make you feel?

My art makes me feel _____











How do you want people to feel when they look at your art?

I want others to feel _____











Do you want to make more art like this?





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August 2023

Put a Little Boogie In It!

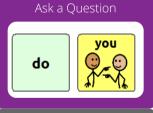
How do you make a tissue dance? You put a little boogie in it!
We aren't talking about blowing your nose! We want you to dance with tissues.
You can create a fun dance using a tissue as a prop. Tissues are great to use as dance props as they float in the air making a magical dance. This month gather your tissues and create your playlist.

Then, dance! Throw your tissues in the air and catch them as you dance. Wave the tissues in both hands or just one. Use the tissues to extend your movements and have fun dancing!

Use the TAAP strategy and the suggested words below to talk about your art. Remember, keep your speech natural and let the art and conversation lead you.



I **like this!**Dance **like this. This** is fun!



Do you like dancing? What do you like? Do you think...?



Yes, that's great!
Yes!

Yes, me too!

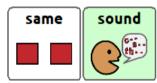


Let's **find** out about more dances.
I can't wait to **find** out. **Find** the rhythm.

Let's Learn About:

Rhythm

Rhythm is a pattern or a repeated series of things. You'll find rhythm in music, dancing, and even paintings! It is using the same sound or image or group of notes/sounds to make people feel some way.



This month, we are focusing on using rhythm in dance. When dancing to music, finding the rhythm can be easy for some and hard for others. The rhythm is the repeated pattern of notes that we can dance to. There are many online resources and games you can play to help people understand and find the rhythm.

For our purposes, it doesn't matter if you can dance on rhythm or not. Have fun dancing and expressing yourself.

Do an Emoji Dance!

Dancing is all about having fun and making other people feel things.

We have a twist on dancing this month with the Emoji Dance. Turn the accompanying emojis into masks. You can cut holes in the sides and attach a string. Or you can glue a popsicle stick to the bottom. Once you have your mask dance how you think that emoji feels.

For added fun, play different songs to dance to. You can also switch masks to dance a new emotion.



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September 2023

Make Your Own Drum Beat

Instructions for making drums are below. Have fun!
Hand Drums:
Can Drums:

Materials: paper bowls, glue, paint (optional), stick (optional), beads and string/ribbon (optional)

Materials: tin can(s) (cleaned and top removed), balloon(s), rubber band(s)

Instructions:

- Glue bowls together. If using a stick, place stick between the rims of the bowl and glue.
 - Also if using ribbon and beads, glue those between bowls.
- Decorate if using paint, Play your drums!

Instructions:

- Cut the skinny end of the balloon off.
- Stretch the ballon and place over the open end of the can.
- Secure balloon with rubber band.
- Decorate with paint, sticker, etc. as desired.
- Play your drums!

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Talk about it



Wow! That's fun!
Wow! Because that's so cool.

Yes, **because** I like that too!

Ask a Question





Would you dance like that?

Would you try that? Would you...

A edge via Respons



Maybe.

Maybe I would too.

Maybe we could try it.

I think maybe I could.

Propel the conversation or Predict



I wonder if that's hard.
I wonder if we could I wonder...

Let's Learn About: **Tempo**

Tempo is how fast or slow a song is played.





The tempo of a song can make us feel different ways. We can feel happy or excited when we hear faster songs. Or we can feel sad or upset when listening to slower songs.

Changing the tempo of a song can make it sound very different too. You can try singing a familiar song at a different temp (faster or slower) to feel this.

As you play your music this month, experiment with the tempo and have fun!

Strum Your Guitar

Make your own guitar this month to continue your fun and musical expressions. Below are the materials you will need and instructions to make your own guitar.

You will need: empty tissue box, paper towel holder, tape or glue, rubber bands, materials to decorate your guitar (paint, construction paper and glue, stickers, etc.)

Instructions:

- Cut a hole in one end of the tissue box (the small ends). Put the paper towel holder in the hole and secure with tape or glue.
- Stretch rubber bands over the wide opening of the tissue box.
- Decorate your guitar. then play your song!



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prc-saltillo Do an Emoji Dance!



Emoji Dance Instructions:

- Carefully cut out the emojis on the following pages.
- Make masks by attaching string (cute holes or glue to the back of the image) or glue popsicle sticks to the bottom.
- Dance how you think that emoji feels.

Ideas for More Fun:

- Play fast songs and slow songs. Switch up your songs to challenge your dancing skills. Have a mix of fast and slow songs on your list.
- Change masks to experience dancing as a different emotion.





