

Words of encouragement

What are the encouraging words that you would like to hear right now?

Out of which words and/or pictures could it consist? Draft and/or write down different options.

On an A4 piece of paper, or, in other words, on a regular piece of photocopy paper, first, draft a large letter/picture in pencil. Think about what shapes of letter you want to make, but draw them very plainly, simplifying them. Colour in the letters. When you've finished a couple, you can tape them up on your window with, for example, clear tape. Make sure they are visible from outdoors and from far away. Be aware that very light colours are not visible from afar. It's therefore advisable to use darker colours, especially for the outlines of the letters/pictures. Once you've gotten the whole message ready, you can place them on the floor and try out different layouts before you attach them all to the window. Are the words/picture in a row, in an arch, or laid out in some other fashion?

If you want your words of encouragement to reach a larger amount of people, you can take a picture of your words of encouragement and share it on social media, for example, on Instagram: #kaikki-järjestyy. If you don't want to place your message on your windows, you can, for instance, put it on your living room wall for your family to see.



Picture: Saga Heino

What you need

A4 sized paper, e.g. photocopy paper, coloured pencils, tape. (If you make a longer message, you can ask a family member to help you make it)

Goal

Planning and designing letters/pictures, simplifying, delivering an illustrated or written message, communalism, community art.

Background

We people can use our creative energy to delight others. You can find words of encouragement on social media with the hashtag #kaikki-järjestyy [LINK](#)

What other artistic means of bringing other people joy can you come up with?

Typography is the composition of text and letters. A part of typography is types of letters, or fonts (what shape of letter), text size and its colour, as well as the space between letters and words. A designer of typography is a type designer, and someone who is specialised in the design of letters is called a letter designer.