

Spring flower

Now we are going to use mixed technique to make a fun flower on a stick!

First, take a strong piece of paper! With the help of a round object, draw two circles right next to each other. Using a crayon, colour in the circle as if it's the centre of a flower. The flower can have a face, or in the centre, there can be different patterns. Cut the circles off the paper.

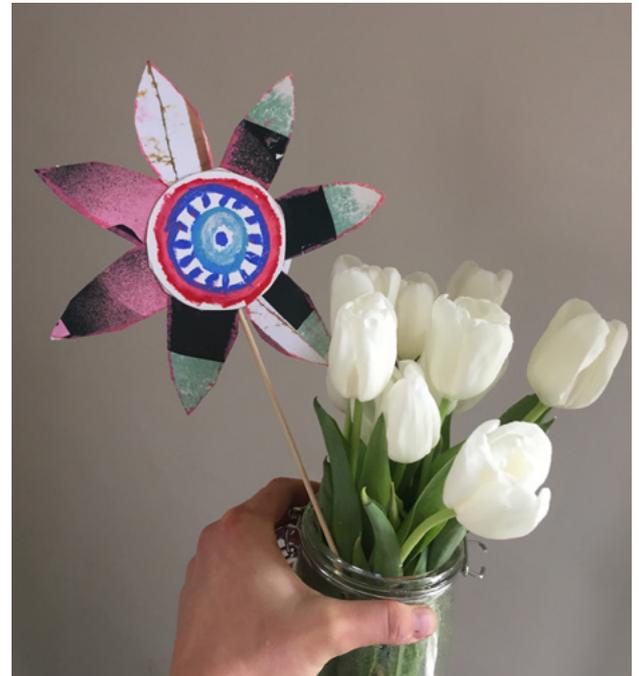
Cut out differently coloured paper from magazines. Take a piece of paper and onto that paper, glue the different pieces of paper you found next to each other on the piece of paper until the whole paper is covered with pictures.

Now it's time to make the petals. Draw petals next to each other along the edges of the paper you just covered. The petals can be long, round, or angular. (See picture 2, phases of work)

Cut the petals off the paper. Paste some glue on the base of the petal and glue them next to each other to the white side of one of the circles you just cut out. Use a magazine or something similar to protect the table and glue carefully.

Now it's time to attach the stick. Place the flower coloured-side down and attach the stick to the back with a piece of tape. Now colour in the back of the petals. Put the final touches on your flower by gluing the other centre of the flower on top of the stick. The centre will stick to the back better, if the petals are not coloured all the way to the base. You can also make a couple leaves for the stalk of the flower. (See picture 3, phases of work)

Do you want to make several flowers? You probably have extra covered paper, and more paper for the centre of the flower, so go ahead and make more! You can also glue pearls onto the flowers, or feathers, or anything other ornaments you find. You can also make the flowers only using collage technique, or by colouring.



Picture 2. Phases of work

Picture 3. Phases of work



Picture 4. The coloured side of the flower



Pictures: Satu Tikka

What you need

Sturdy paper, magazines (or other coloured paper, advertisements), scissors, a glue stick, grill skewers or plant supports, oil pastels, masking tape or something similar (it can also be used as your round object).

Goal

In this exercise, you practice your hands' motor skills by cutting with scissors, gluing and drawing. Finding colours develops your skills of observation.

Information

A collage is a work of art made by gluing together different materials. A collage can be made using paper, cardboard, and other recycled materials. The term 'collage' comes from the French collar, which means to glue.

Ceramic artist Anu Pentik has built big flowers out of clay: [LINK](#)

