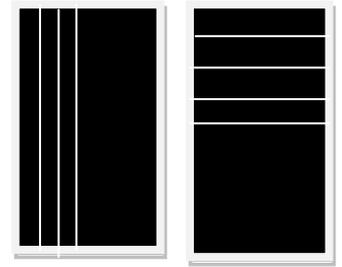


Make a Stained Glass Window

Instruction Sheet

Preparation:

Cut an A4 sheet of black card into 1.5 cm strips across the width, 2 for each child AND lengthwise, 2 for each child



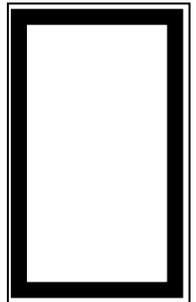
Cut A4 sheets of black card in half, so that each child will have 1 half to work with.

Cut sheets of adhesive film (contact paper) into 240 mm x 320 mm (i.e. slightly larger than A4) pieces, 2 for each child.

Cut tissue paper of a mix of colours into (approx.) 5cm squares.

Gather (or create from thicker card) several shape templates (stars, circles, hearts, etc.)

Before children come into class, peel paper from one piece of adhesive film per child and create a frame out of two shorter and two longer strips of the black card, by fixing the strips to the sticky side of the film. Place these on the children's workspace ready for them to work with.



With Children:



Have children choose a template and draw around it with white crayon on the half sheet of black card (or they can draw their own freestyle shapes). Depending on the size of the templates (and the patience of the child), more than one could be used.

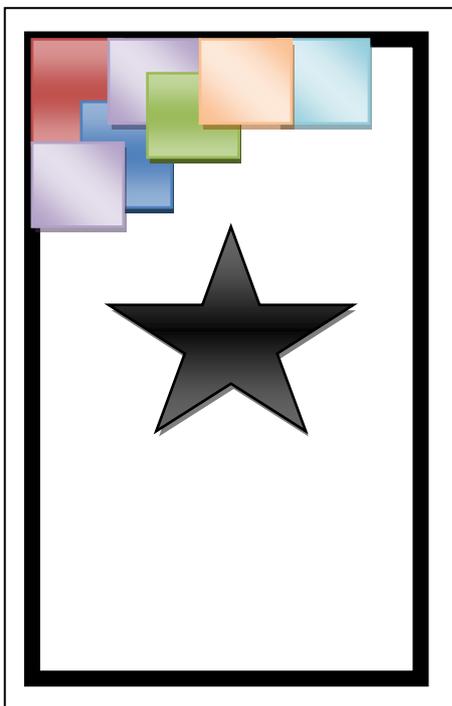
Have children cut out the shape(s) they have drawn and stick them somewhere within the frame of their 'window'.

Have the children fill in the window with squares of tissue, choosing the colours they prefer and pressing the pieces onto the sticky surface, slightly overlapping the frame.

Adults will need to peel the backing off the second sheet of film and smooth it over the finished window.

Have the children trim the excess film to the frame.

Display as many 'stained-glass' windows as possible by cello taping them to the classroom windows.



This project has been adapted from an idea found at www.kindercraze.com, where there are lots of great examples of this kind of thing!