



# Walkers Art Club

## Foundation & Primary

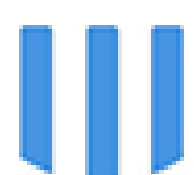
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# COLLAGE



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# In this Packet

In this lesson, you will learn to create collages using items you can find in your home.

This lesson has been created using mostly different kinds of paper, but you can use other materials of your choice.

**Required Materials:** Paper, old magazines or books, glue (or tape), pencil, pen or permanent marker, scrap paper (from paper bags, origami paper, or soap wrappings).

\*Parent/guardian guidance is recommended for this lesson as it requires cutting and gluing.





# Collage: Getting Started

Collage is a type of art where many different materials are put together and layered on top of each other to create a new whole.

Some materials that are often used in collage include newspaper or magazine clippings, scrap paper, photographs and even pieces of old clothing.

Collage allows you to get really creative!

Start by thinking what you would like your collage to be about. Maybe you would like to make a piece of art all about you, or about your family or friends?

Since we are all inside at the moment, I made my collage about nature!



Once you have decided on a theme, cut out images or words from an old magazine and set them aside.

Now it's time to find more materials to add to the collage!



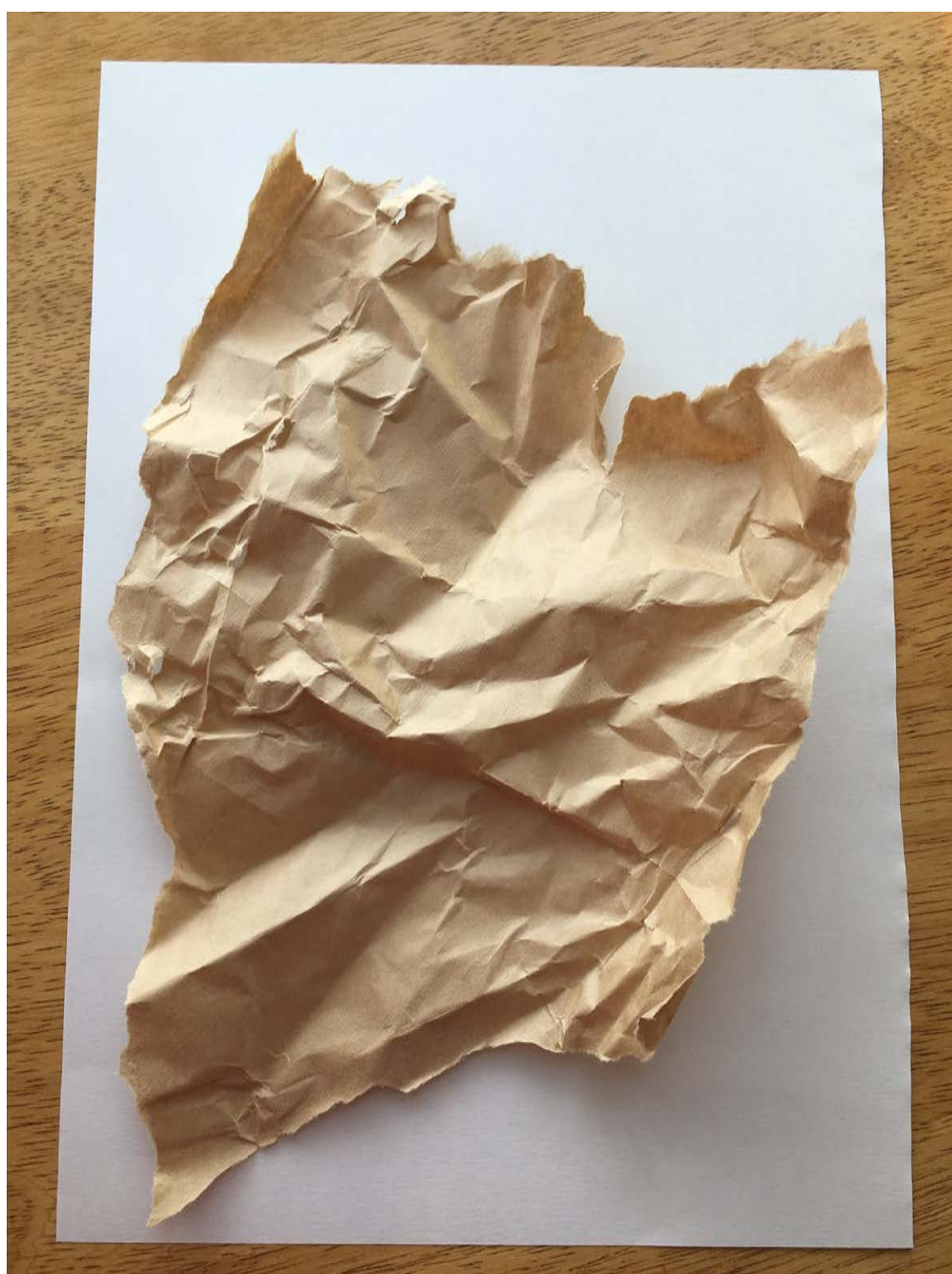


# Collage: Choosing Materials

Look around your house for any scrap paper you might like to use in your collage. Make sure you ask your parents or guardian first, and only use materials that you won't need later! It's good to choose different kinds of paper - some thick, some thin, in different colours and patterns. I used brown paper from a paper bag, and soap wrapping paper.

If you want a challenge you can also use items like dried flowers or fabric from old clothes.

Once you have all of your materials, start to put them together on the blank paper. I used my paper bag to create a background first.



Use many shapes - you don't have to use only straight lines with collage! I tore the edges of my paper bag for a more interesting shape, but I also left straight edges on some of the photo cut-outs.





# Collage: Layering

Create layers by placing your pictures, words or flowers on top of each other. Get creative and make sure you like how it looks before you glue down the pictures. Don't over-do the glue! If you are using liquid glue, you can use a paint brush to put on only a little bit. Be patient and be sure to let every layer dry before you do the next one.

I made more shapes by cutting flowers out of my soap wrapper. You can draw them out first to make the cutting easier. Mine are small, but you can cut them as big as you want!



Add some extra drawings or words with a pen or marker. I drew on some vines with a pencil first, then went over it with a pen. Don't forget to erase your pencil marks after!



# Collage: Final Touches



Add any final touches you like. I outlined the orchids with a permanent marker. I also added a few extra words by hand to go with my nature theme.

And here's my finished product! Have fun and email photos of your collages to [education@nationalgallery.org.ky](mailto:education@nationalgallery.org.ky).





# References and Additional Resources

For more information on collages and useful tips for creating them visit:

<https://www.tate.org.uk/art/art-terms/c/collage>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0d9G1NgqiGo>

Our own Walkers Art Club Primary instructor is a great collage artist! See David Bridgeman's collage work at his website:

<https://www.davidbridgeman.co.uk/collages>