

CARDBOARD PRINTMAKING

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Activity Intended For Grades 6 through 8



The Materials:



Cardboard, Scissors, Tagboard (Old File Folder),
Paper, Glue, Markers, Paint, Paintbrush

Printmaking has been around for centuries and happens to be one of my favorite art projects. There are four main types of printmaking. This one is called Relief Printing. The other styles are called intaglio, lithography, and serigraphy (stencil).

<https://kinderart.com/art-lessons/printmaking/what-is-printmaking/>



- Cut cardboard shapes and arrange to your liking.



Next you will apply a heavy amount of paint. This can be any kind of paint you might find around the house.



- Once you have sufficient paint on what is called the *plate* it is then time to make the print.
- Take a sheet of paper and place directly above the plate.
- Once you feel that you have it in place press it onto the plate. Place your hands on the paper and rub gently, paying attention to the edges and small pieces you may have placed in your design.
- Now that you have followed all the steps it is time for the best step and that is called “pulling the print.” Gently peel back the paper and “*Voila*” you now have a wonderful handmade relief print by YOU .



Two Things :

If you don't have paint you can always color for a great 3 dimensional look

Don't forget that there is no limit to the amount of prints you can make.

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Submit a photo of your finished work to Center for Creative Education via email, info@cceflorida.org, with your first name, age, and city or town in which you live, for a chance to have your work showcased on our website or social media pages!

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