

FOIL ART & FUN

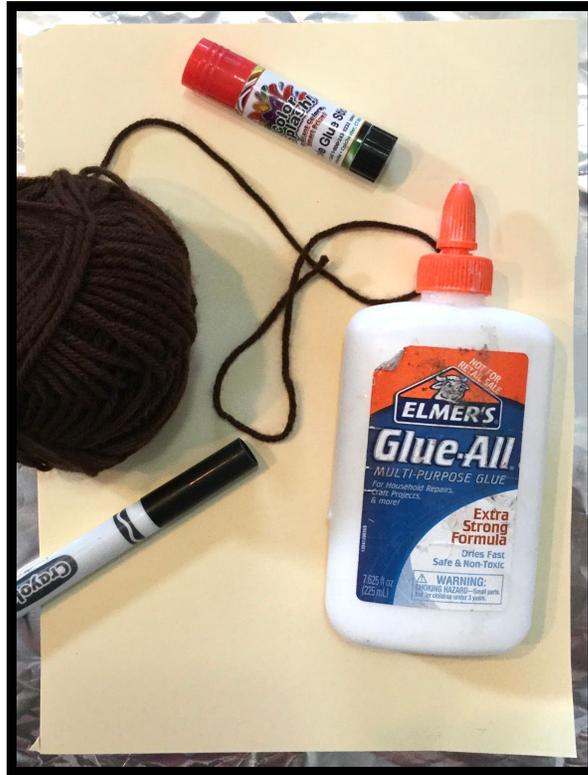
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This is a great Art Project that involves several steps. But this is good because it is something you can always put away and come back to it. Like it is said, "Art isn't always made in one day." In fact, it's best if it is not. Allow art to relax and calm you from stressful situations. It is guaranteed to bring you wonderful moments of peace and harmony within yourself. Try It!

MATERIALS YOU WILL NEED TO START WITH:

Tagboard (manila folder, cardboard, etc...), yarn of any color, marker, gluestick, and bottled glue).



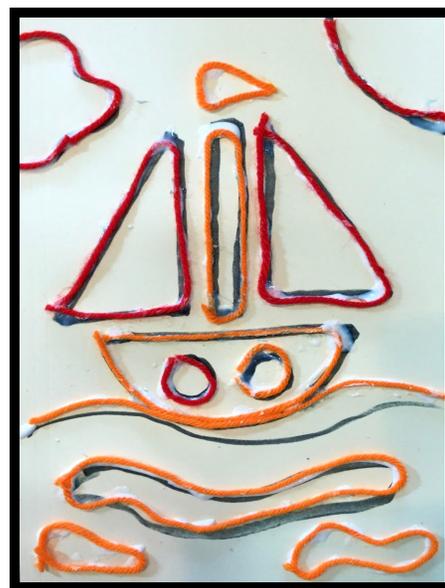
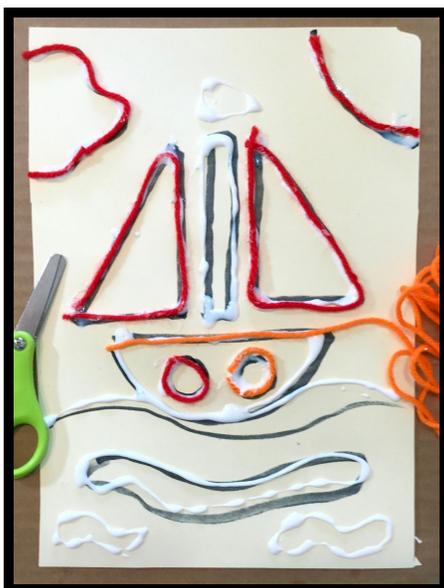
FIRST STEP: You will begin by drawing your image onto the tagboard/cardboard (whatever you have to use). It is important for you to know that if you mess up it is ok. The mistake will be covered with foil and you will not see it.



SECOND STEP: It's getting more interesting! Now you will trace the illustration and/or design with bottled glue.



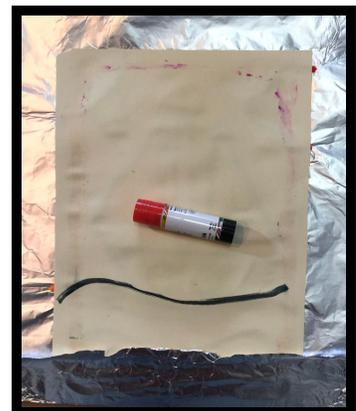
THIRD STEP: Put yarn on the glue to outline your drawing. You will need a pair of scissors and your hands may get sticky. Again, this is the process of art. It can be a messy process at times. However, it is the end result that makes it worth it.



FOURTH STEP: Time to squeeze glue in a small amount over the yarn traced image surface. We want this so that when we lay the foil on top it will adhere nicely.

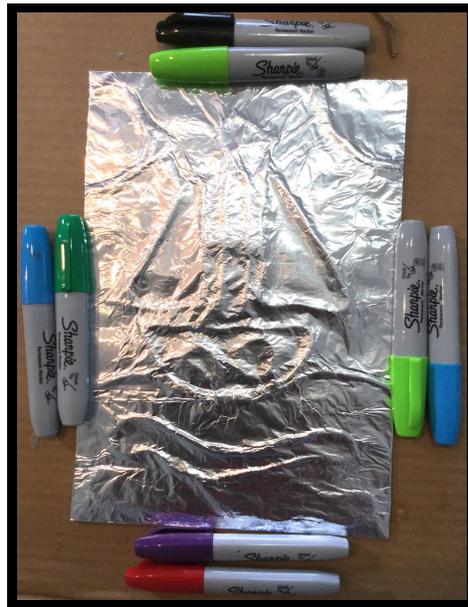


FIFTH STEP: Place foil over tagboard, glue, and yarn image. Find the image with your fingers. From the middle out gently burnish to refine the impression. Once this is through you will flip it over and glue the excess foil down.



SIXTH STEP: This is where you will apply color. I've used a Sharpie Permanent Marker for my coloring. It is important to know that only permanent markers will do for this project and that Crayola Markers or any water based marker will not do. Paint can be an option however, it may look different. I say go for it. Trying new things are great and always good to share with others.

TIP: Adding a few drops of dishwashing soap to tempera paint will allow the paint to stick to the metallic surface.



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