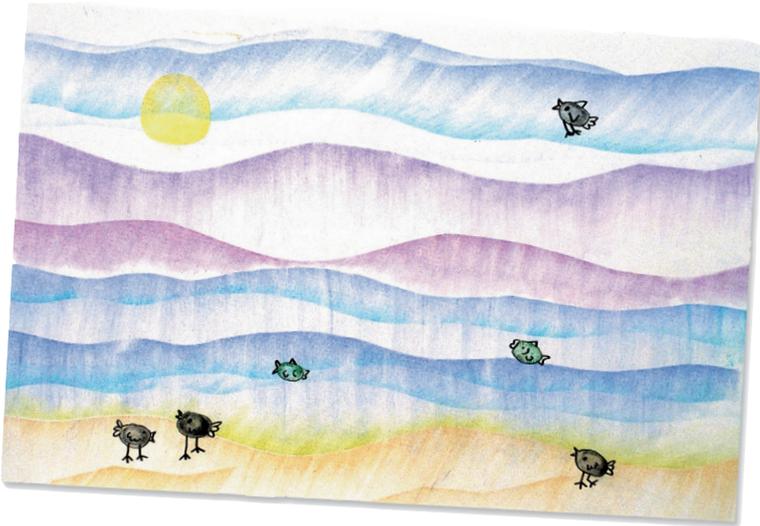


Soft Rubbings

Create a print using pastel chalk and a stencil. Add details of buildings, fish, plants or animals to finish the picture.



Let's Talk About It

Why is the choice of colour scheme important?

Why are some colours referred to as cool and others as warm?

Why is the use of a fixative necessary with this medium?

Vocabulary

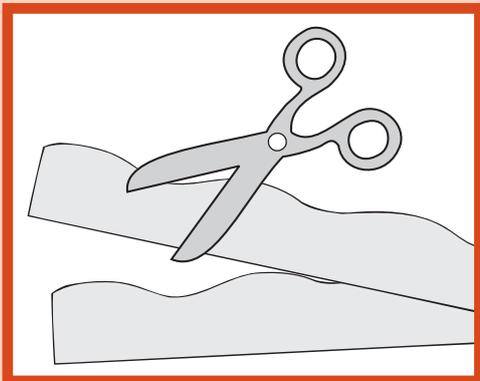
colour scheme	pastels
cool colours	stencil
fixative	warm colours

Materials

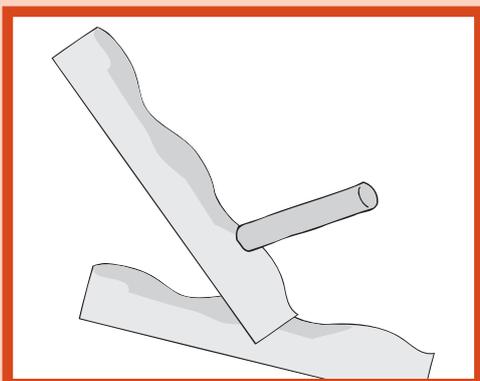
- white paper A4 (210 x 297 mm)
- newspaper
- pastel chalks
- card strips
50 x 297 mm (4 or more per child)
- cotton balls (2 to 3 per child)
- scissors
- black fine-tip marker (1 per child)
- black ink pad
- spray fixative

Project Notes

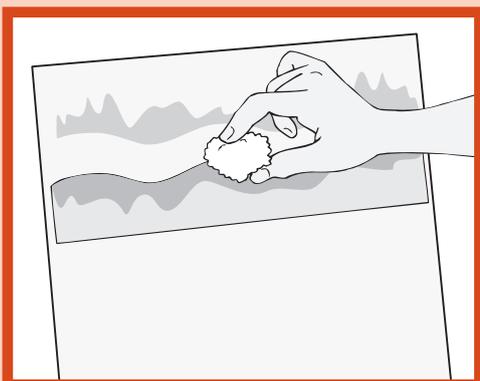
- Precut the stencils for younger children.
- Suggest that children can be inspired by shapes around them when cutting the stencil: the rectangular shapes of buildings or the curving shapes of mountain ranges and rippling water. Stencil cuts should be kept simple.
- Offer clean cotton balls after each colour change so colours don't get mixed and muddied.
- Encourage children to plan their design and colour scheme ahead of time.
- Use spray fixatives in a well-ventilated area.



step 1



step 2



step 3

Steps to Follow

- 1** Cut varying shapes along one long edge of each card strip to make stencils.
- 2** Lay the first stencil piece on newspaper and cover the cut edge with a layer of chalk.
- 3** Place that stencil in the desired spot on the white paper and hold firmly. Using a cotton ball, brush the chalk onto the paper. Lift the stencil carefully to see the design.
- 4** Continue this same process with the other stencil strips until the entire paper is covered. Use a new strip for each colour of chalk.
- 5** Use the ink pad and black marker to add details of animals, trees, buildings, people, etc. Press a fingertip on the ink pad and then press the finger onto the paper. Outline and add detail to each resulting figure with the marker.
- 6** Spray the final project with fixative to prevent smudges.

Let's talk about colours schemes

- Cool colours such as blues, purples and greens can suggest oceans or mountains.



- Warm colours such as oranges, yellows and reds can suggest desert landscapes or sunsets.

