

Summer 2020 art@home

QAS friends, let's create!

Even if you don't have all of the supplies that are in the art room, no worries - you can still use your imagination to make things! Gather all of your own art supplies. Notebooks and paper needed. Look all around your house. Check out junk drawers for tape, pens, staplers, markers, highlighters, glue and anything else that your parents say is ok. Collect paper tubes, snack and cereal boxes, cardboard, paper plates, and water bottles for building.

Drawing

What do **artists** draw? They draw what they see, remember, imagine, and feel.

Create a summer journal and sketchbook with pictures and words. Use a lined notebook or fold some sheets of paper and staple together. Decorate the cover expressing your personality!



- Start to fill your journal with one thing to draw from the attached *Summer Drawing Challenge*. How many things can you draw this summer?
- Illustrate a story. Write the words in cursive.
- Take your sketchbook outside and draw something you see in your yard.

Doodle! Make a large squiggle across a sheet of paper. In each space made by the squiggle, doodle repeating small patterns. Patterns like stripes, dots, zig-zag, and waves. Don't forget castle lines, clouds, railroad, and loop-d-loops!

Zentangle! Zentangle is a type of doodling that can be relaxing. Zen means calm; tangle is a collection of overlapping patterns. You start with a tiny pattern and fill larger spaces. Use pens or fine tip markers and any paper that you have at home. Start small. I made a bookmark. You can use this technique to fill areas on many kinds of artworks.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OK7JZkKc48M&list=PLfpEnoSR1r3yvtbDP49eHpt1ijhAzCJb0&index=5&t=15s>

Challenge Art: Design a zine

Check out how to make a zine from one piece of paper on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lxqr9e3wCxl&list=PLfpEnoSR1r3yvtdDP49eHpt1ijhAzCJb0&index=28&t=0s>

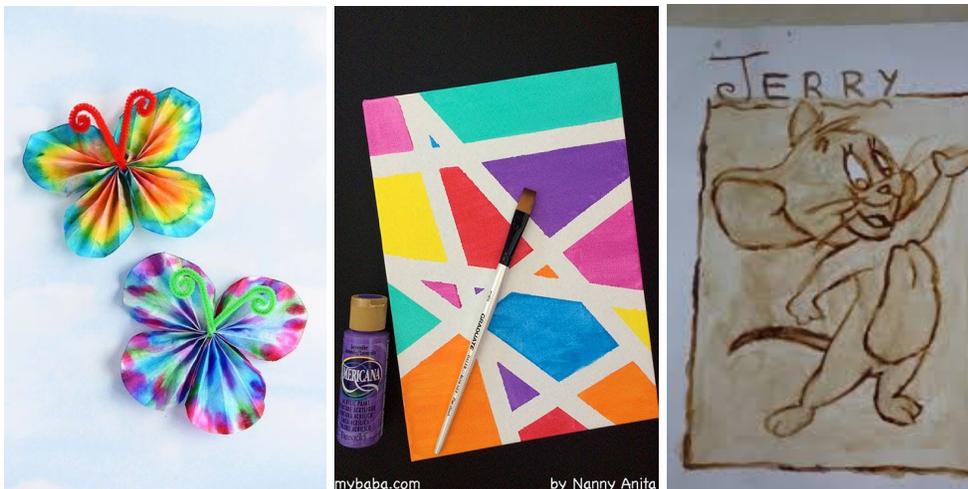
- QAS artists always enjoy [Art for Kids Hub - YouTube](#) for fun drawing ideas.
- Create a mural, a BIG picture, on your driveway with sidewalk chalk.

Painting: Finding Color

You can turn old markers into watercolor by soaking the tips of washable markers in water. With the tip in water, soak markers upside down in a small glass jar. Let soak. Paint with the colored water. Or try painting with strong black coffee that has cooled.

Color paper with washable markers, then paint over the color with water. Depending on the paper you use or the markers - the color spreads like watercolor paint.

Tie dye with coffee filters. Color a coffee filter solid with markers. Spray or sprinkle water all over the coffee filter. Let dry. What can you make with this colorful piece of paper? Add a fuzzy pipe cleaner to make a butterfly or flower.



Tape Painting: On large paper, use blue painters tape to outline your initial letter. Paint the area around the tape. When paint is dry - carefully remove tape. You may layer more colors by lifting the tape and taping again with this technique.

Architecture: Creating a Space

- Draw your house including the front door
- Map out your neighborhood from a bird's eye view
- Build a city with Legos
- Imagine a treehouse in your yard
- Play with blocks
- Design a reading corner in your bedroom

Sculpture

Try out a fun outdoor art project inspired by the *British artist Andy Goldsworthy*! Use whatever you have around your yard to create a natural picture or sculpture! (I'm always on the lookout for beautiful rocks and shells.)

Think about **radial symmetry**. Start by placing one natural object in the center and creating a pattern as you arrange different things in a circle around the center.



Gather interesting **shapes** and **forms** to create a face or person.



Watch *Art with Trista* as she makes a face with found objects. <https://youtu.be/BSqpmSmJo-8>

Printmaking

Printing with styrofoam and markers

Materials needed: styrofoam printing plate - a clean meat tray or styrofoam paper plate will work, ballpoint pen, washable markers, white paper, and water.

Cut styrofoam into a rectangle to fit your paper. Draw a simple design on styrofoam with a pen. Color with markers. Wet paper. Carefully place styrofoam on the paper. Do not move around. Flip over paper and plate and gently rub the color onto the paper. Watch

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tJkLJiewCgA&list=PLfpEnoSR1r3yvtbDP49eHpt1ijhAzCJb0&index=30> for step by step instructions.



Mixed Media

Origami

Use colored origami paper or cut a piece of copy paper into a square. Color one side of the paper. (Cut a square by folding the corner of one side of the rectangle down until it meets the straight edge. Flatten out the fold and cut so you have a square piece of paper.)

Origami Boat

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vNba3jbBSOw&list=PLfpEnoSR1r3yvtbDP49eHpt1ijhAzCJb0&index=34&t=31s>

Challenge Fold: Ninja Star

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=83xjZSvaV_I&list=PLfpEnoSR1r3yvtbDP49eHpt1ijhAzCJb0&indx=32&t=88s



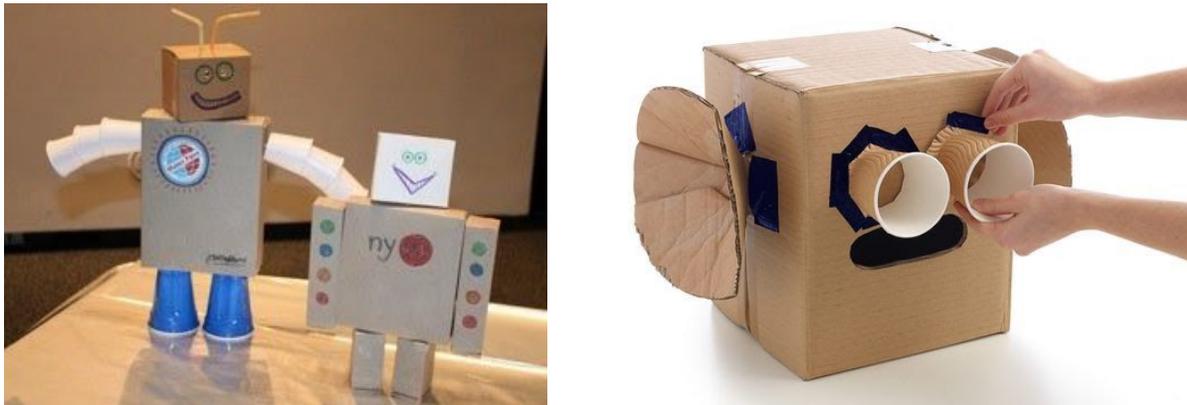
Toy Stories

Do you like to play with your toys? Of course, you do! Arrange your toys to make them play with each other. You can use any toys you want, stuffed animals, legos, action figures, toy cars....The way to make this look the best is consider how big or small the toys you are using are, and if they are small, take a picture very close up. Also consider the background, or what is behind the figures. You want to keep it simple, so you are not distracting from your scene. If it's too busy, you can prop a blanket, sheet or piece of paper behind your toy scene.



Robots

Think outside the cereal box to create an upcycled robot! Create a robot from materials you have in your kitchen. Collect paper tubes, snack and cereal boxes, cardboard, paper plates, and water bottles for building. Use tape or liquid glue to attach pieces. Look for shiny things like aluminum foil, bottle caps, or soda cans to give it a robot feel. Decorate with markers or paint.



DIY Clay

Air-dry clay is water-based, so keep a spill proof cup of water on the work table in case the clay becomes dry and difficult to manipulate. Drying time varies. Wait for your object to dry, then paint. You can seal your project with Mod Podge.

Make Your Own Air-Dry Clay (with heat)

- 1 cup white glue
- 1 cup of corn starch
- 2 tablespoons of oil (baby oil or canola)
- 2 tablespoons of white vinegar (you can substitute lemon juice too)

Mix everything up in a bowl until no lumps. Microwave for 15 seconds for 8-9 times stirring in between each 15 seconds. IT WILL BE HOT, please be careful. Knead (like mixing bread) it with oil or lotion on your hands. Wrap in plastic and let sit for 24 hours. You can add coloring with food coloring or spices, then mold into desired shapes.

Air Dry Salt Clay (no heat)

- You'll need:
- 1/4 cup salt
 - 1/2 cup flour
 - 1/4 cup water
 - A bowl for mixing
 - A spatula or spoon
 - A tray or cookie sheet to work on

Mix salt, flour, and water in a bowl until you can shape it.

Place a ball of clay in your palm. With your other hand, place your thumb on top and push your thumb firmly into the clay until it is close to the bottom but does not go all the way through. Remove your thumb. The opening is the start of the pinch pot. Put your thumb into the opening and use your fingers to pinch the sides. Turn as you pinch to make it bigger. Start with a pinch pot, add a face and ears for an animal.



Art History

Recreate a Masterpiece

Having photos of masterworks for inspiration are helpful and fun. Many can be found online. Don't get caught up in copying every detail - be creative and try something new.



Make a QAS mini museum!

A museum begins with a collection. You are probably already collecting something in your room. Find things that interest you. Legos, erasers, charms, toys, rocks, feathers, stickers, even notes or your artwork. Sort, add labels, and share your collection with your family!

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me. I'd love to see your art. See you soon!

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