

Fabric Collage Wall Hanging



Fabric Collage is a fun way to explore different textures and colours to make shapes and objects! In this activity we'll be making a pennant that we can hang on our bedroom door or a wall in our house. So choose a favorite animal, object, shape or word and let's get started!

For this activity you will need:

- A large fairly heavy piece of fabric for your base (ex: a pillowcase, table runner, old shirt etc.)
- Scraps of fabric or felt
- Sharpie or marker
- Scissors
- Ruler
- White glue or Hot glue
- Decorative bits (buttons, beads, googly eyes etc.)
- A stick or dowel
- A piece of string, yarn or twine

For a step-by-step guide for making a fabric collage pennant, watch our video at this link:

<https://vimeo.com/eskereducation/fabriccollage>

Or read the instructions below:

STEP 1: Use a ruler to trace your base shape onto fabric. To make a pennant, draw a rectangle or square shape with an upside down triangle underneath it. Make sure to leave at least 4" or so of space at the top of your banner for your dowel.

STEP 2: Draw your object, animal, or shapes out on your base. You don't need a lot of detail in your drawing as you'll be covering it up with fabric.

STEP 3: Cut different pieces of fabric or felt to fill in the outline of the animals or objects you've drawn.

STEP 4: Set aside your animals or objects and work on your background. Glue down your background pieces first using either hot glue or white glue.

STEP 5: Bring back your animals and objects and glue them on top of your background. Figure out which piece of fabric goes under or on top of other pieces and work from the bottom up. To avoid burning your fingers, use white glue for smaller pieces.

STEP 6: Add any decorative bits like buttons, beads or shells to your collage, gluing them down with hot glue or white glue.

STEP 7: When your collage is dry, flip it over and fold over the top piece of fabric you saved for your dowel, slipping your stick or dowel inside and gluing the flap down. Tie a piece of yarn or string to your stick to hang it on your wall with a pushpin or small nail.