

Each week select one activity from the following to complete. Samples of each activities are also listed.

**Activity 1: Nature Collage – Nature Portraits**

*-Materials:* Leaves, Sticks, Flowers, Pebbles, Grass, etc., White Paper, Glue

*-Directions:*

- 1.) Collect an array of items from your yard. Be sure to ask parents for help.
- 2.) Identify part of the face and sort the items into categories such as eyes, nose, mouth, hair, ears, etc.
- 3.) Create a portrait of you or a family member using the objects you have gathered. Move the items around to see what works best before gluing.

**Activity 2: Drawing – Bug Jar**

*-Materials:* White Paper, 1 Construction Paper (any color), Pencil, Eraser, Crayons or Color Pencils, Scissors, Glue

*-Directions:*

- 1.) Listen to the read loud of “Backyard Bugs” by Jill McDonald. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X1-sd9wkzrE>
- 2.) Draw a big jar using a pencil and eraser on the white. Use a rectangular shape with round edges to help draw the jar shape.
- 3.) Select your favorite bug to sketch inside your jar. How many legs do they have? Do they have the same color/pattern on the left and right side (symmetrical)? Do they have wings?
- 4.) Add leaves, flowers, sticks, or pebbles to create a small habitat (home) for your bug.
- 5.) Color your bug jar with crayons or color pencils.
- 6.) Cut out your jar and glue on construction paper.

**Activity 3: Tempera Painting – Flowers for Mom**

*-Materials:* White Paper, Tempera Paint, Paintbrush, Crayons

*-Additional Materials:* Placemat, Apron or T-Shirt

*-Directions:*

- 1.) Carefully paint one hand either your favorite color or your mom’s favorite color. Keep hand close and place on paper in the center. Set aside to dry, approximately 8 minutes. Wash hands for next step.
- 2.) When dry, draw flowers with the stems going to your hand. It will appear as if you are holding flowers.

**Activity 4: Collage – Dots into Flowers**

*-Materials:* Construction Papers, Pencil, Eraser, Black Marker, Scissors, Glue

*-Directions:*

- 1.) Select at least three colors of construction papers.
- 2.) One construction paper will be your background.
- 3.) With the other two construction papers, you will draw and cut out at least three small and medium-sized circles.
- 4.) Glue the three medium-sized circles on the first construction paper in a row.
- 5.) Glue small circles on top of each circles.
- 6.) Sketch designs on the circles to create flowers. Do not forget the stems.
- 7.) Trace over pencil marks with black marker.

#### **Activity 5: Free Watercolor Painting Challenge – *Pointillism***

*-Materials:* White Paper, Pencil, Eraser, Watercolor Paints, Q-Tips, Water, Paper Towel

*-Additional Materials:* Placemat, Apron or T-Shirt

*-Directions:*

- 1.) On your white paper, sketch out a drawing. It can be an animal, an object, a person, landscape, etc.
- 2.) Instead of coloring in, you will use watercolor paints and Q-tips to create dots to add color to your drawing. Use the Q-tip like a paintbrush. Place in water first, then dab in paint. It must be dots! No dashes or scribbles.

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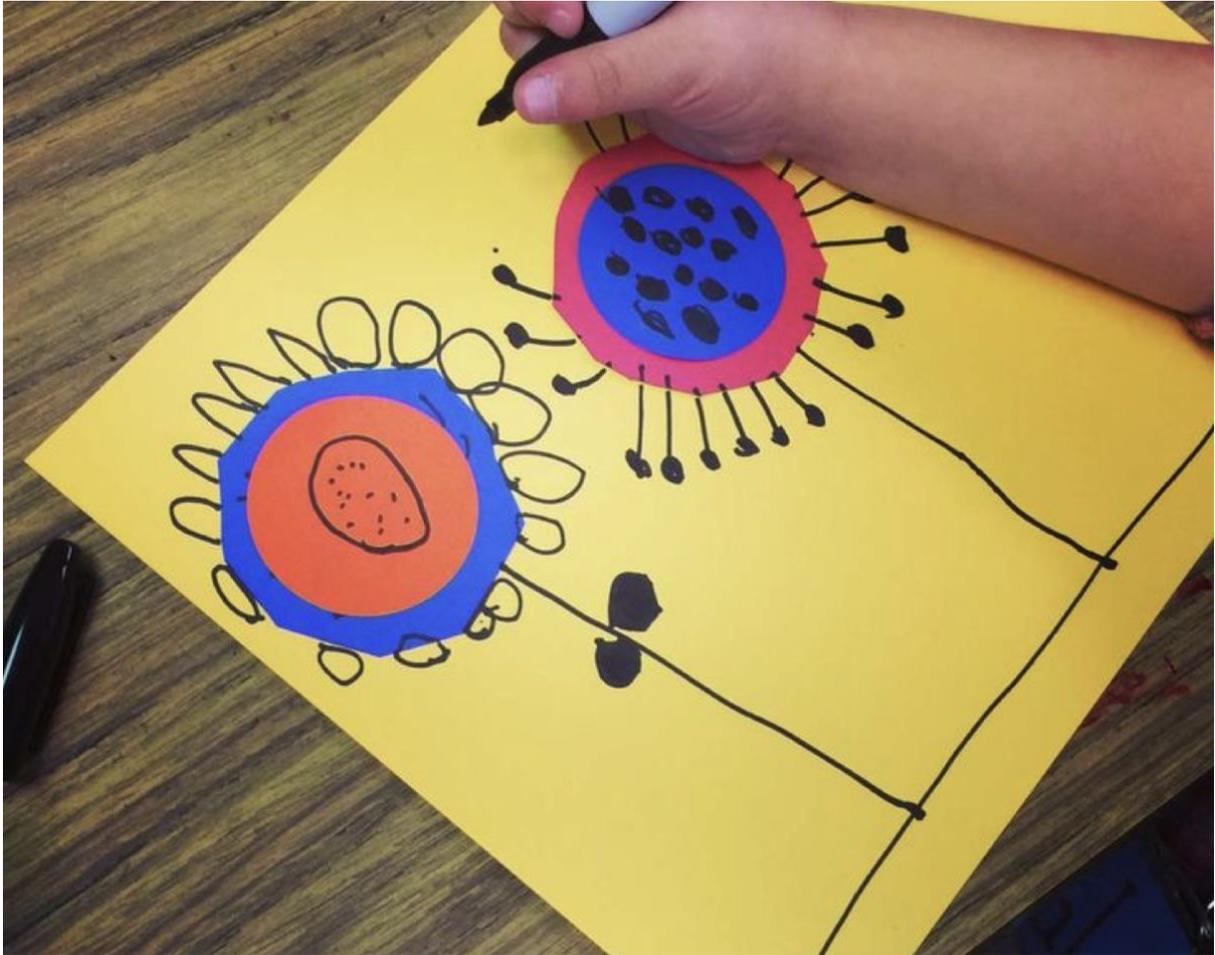
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