

Mrs Barr's Amazing Art Adventurers Challenge #4

It's week 8 and another Amazing Art Challenge! Remember, these are starting points to create the work you want to. Pick the ideas that sound interesting to you and make them your own. Use the art materials you have to hand and have fun!

There are more ideas on my Instagram page @artadventurersfun - happy making!!!

1. Surface Pattern

Collect a few objects with interesting patterns on them.
Arrange them together on a table, perhaps on a cloth with a pattern on it too. This is called a still life.
Make a coloured drawing, painting or collage of your still life. You can draw all of it, of an interesting part of it. You can also change where you sit, to make a second drawing from a different viewpoint.

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Are you growing any seeds? If you are, make a drawing of the seedling when it first appears, then draw it a few more times on the same page, a few days apart to show how it has grown and changed. You could also draw a flower as it opens.

6. Sequential Drawing

11. Cartoon Characters
Turn the contents of your pencil
case into cartoon characters – you
could make up an adventure story
for them to be part of in a cartoon
strip. Use can also use thought and
speech bubbles.

2. Texture

How does something feel? You can show texture by making a rubbing put a piece of paper on an object and crayon over it. More textured surfaces work the best, like a coin, the end of a log, a basket, the sole of a shoe. Make a page of rubbings to see what interesting effects you can get.

7. Careful Observation

Make a drawing of a banknote, looking carefully at all the detail! Have you noticed all those tiny details before? You can use a bank note from any country.

12. Imaginative Drawing

Design the scariest, most terrifying man-eating plant! Think Venus flytraps and Pitcher plants – how will they catch their lunch and devour it?!... N.B Plants can't really eat little children!

3. Observational Drawing

Make an observational drawing of your foot or feet. You could draw one foot or both your feet side-by-side or crossed. Look carefully at the shape of all the different toes, don't guess or they will look like sausages! For example, is your second toe smaller than your big toe, or in fact bigger? Add some shading and a shadow to make your drawing look 3D.

8. Design

Design your own banknote. What do you need to include? The amount it is for and the currency, tiny details that are hard to copy. They usually have a famous person or landmark, but you could design one on food, animals... anything!

13. Make It

Can you make your super-scary plant? Cardboard and paper, salt-dough, pipe cleaners, googly-eyes, pom-poms - anything! Tip... a paper plate folded in half makes a good snapping mouth!

4. Colour Theory

Choose a primary colour (red, blue or yellow) or a secondary colour (purple, green or orange) and fill a page with this colour. You can make marks with pens, crayons and paint, collage bits of paper from your scrap box or magazines, or add pieces of ribbon or fabric, sweet wrappers, buttons – whatever you can find!

9. Researching an Artist

Copy your favourite illustration from a factual book, such as a train, a flower, a building, an animal, an ancient artefact... Why do you find this picture interesting? Does the picture have written information with it?

14. Doodling

Write your Initial in the middle of a piece of paper and doodle all around it! You can use patterns or pictures you are interested in.

Think of the fab Tom Gates book covers!

5. Pattern

Draw a sharp, pointy, spiky, angular line that keeps crossing itself, all over your page. Now add pattern and/or colour to the shapes you have made. You could use lots of colours or just 2 or 3, or black and white. Did you do the Pattern activity on Art Challenge #3, with a squiggly line? How do these drawings compare? Which do you like best? Why?

10. Inspired by Art

Make your own illustration of something that interests you. It can be from real life or a photo or book. What would be the best art materials to use? You could write a title, add some labels or a sentence or paragraph of interesting facts.

Bonus Challenge!!!

Underline or add any Art words to your Art dictionary. Look back at the other challenges if you haven't started yours yet.

Look up any words you don't know, or ask me!