

Keeping Busy: Creating a collage

What is a collage? A collage is an artwork made by combining different materials on to a flat surface. You can include any items in your collage such as fabric, small 3D objects or items from out in the garden such as leaves or flowers. To keep it simple you can take images, colours and shapes from old magazines, newspapers and leaflets.

Materials you will need:

- Any size and shape of paper - perhaps start with A4
- Scissors
- Glue (PVA or Pritt stick)
- Unwanted magazines, newspapers, comics, leaflets, clean packaging



How to make a collage:

1. Look for different colours in magazines, leaflets or packaging.
2. Chose a background colour, cut out examples of this from your collage materials and glue it down so it covers all your paper.
3. Find shapes (such as leaves and animals) and cut these out.
4. Decide how to place them on your collage and then glue them down.
5. If you like, you can use a pen to add some detail.
6. Wait for it to dry and voila!, you have made a collage.

Try making a collage or drawing to one of these themes,

- Nature
- Technology
- Fire
- Music
- Happiness
- Family
- Delicious
- Magic
- Strength
- Holidays
- Self-portrait

