

“Fantasy Creature Prints”



Objective: Students will create a print of fantasy creature.

Materials

- White construction paper & pencils
- Black tempera paint
- Watercolor paint & paint brushes
- Cardboard, Glue & Yarn
- Various colors of construction paper

Motivation

- Talk about and look different characters. Show examples of comic book, movie, and video game characters. Have students discuss the purpose of a character and how to draw one.
- Demonstrate how different lines, shapes and patterns make a character. Have students collaboratively draw a character on the whiteboard.

Step 1: Draw

Students will draw a fantasy creature with marker on a piece of cardboard. The teacher will have the cardboard pre-cut in various shapes. Remind them to draw their character larger than they normally would because they are going to be outlining their lines in glue.

Step 2: Glue Yarn

Students will draw with glue on top of their lines. Then they will place the yarn on top of the glue. Two rules: 1. Measure and cut the yarn before you draw with glue. 2. Glue one section/line at a time.

Step 3: Print

Students will paint their yarn lines with black tempera paint. Be sure they don't get excess paint on the cardboard. They will make two prints on white construction paper that is pre-cut and matches the size of the cardboard.

Step 4: Paint and Pattern

After the prints have dried, students will paint them with watercolor paints. Students will paint one print using warm color and the other using cool colors. Use mixing trays so students can mix their own colors.

After the watercolor has dried, students will add patterns to the fantasy creatures with oil pastels.

Tip: Have students practice drawing a character on a piece of paper before drawing it on the cardboard.