

Collage Project: Tissue Paper Painting

Level: Preschooler (with help), grade 1 and up

Time: 15-30 minutes

Materials Needed

tissue paper of appropriate colors
paint brush
glue and water combined
light colored background paper
optional: scissors, pencil, and paper

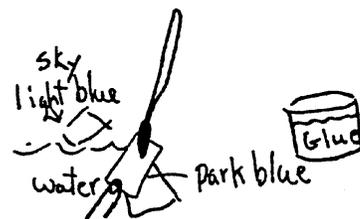
Preparation

Spread newspaper on the table to catch dripping glue.
Have glue mixture ready, mixing 2/3 glue to 1/3 water.
Supply a paint brush for each student and at least 1 dish of glue for every 2-4 children.



Steps for Method A:

1. Tear small pieces of tissue paper.
2. **Paint down** one piece of paper at a time—either filling in drawn figures or positioning pieces of paper to make figures. (See methods for painting down.)



Steps for Method B:

1. Cut figures out of tissue paper. Note: Penciling the outline of the figure gently onto the tissue paper helps. Stencils may also be used. For very little children, consider preparing the figures for them.
2. Position figures to make a picture and paint down one figure at a time.

Variations

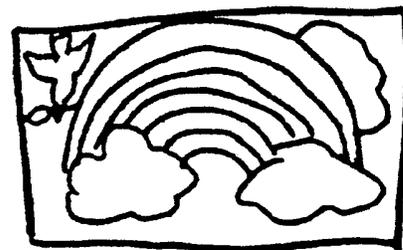
Use to make mosaics, painting down small squares of paper (either cut or torn).
Use to make murals.

Application Ideas

This method works well for stories with colorful or bright figures, such as:

Noah and the Rainbow
Angels on the Ladder in Jacob's Dream
Woman Clothed with the Sun

Rainbow in
the clouds



This is a very good method for scenes with clouds, especially on a light blue background. It also makes a good background for other collage materials or for painting on.