

Collage Creations with Zara the Zebra

Learning objective: To understand how to layer different textures, colours, and materials to create a collage inspired by the natural world.

Today, we are looking at the world through Zara the Zebra's artistic eyes! A collage is a piece of art made by sticking different materials—like paper, fabric, or leaves—onto a backing. Follow the steps below to design your own nature-themed collage masterpiece.

Draw: Create a design for a collage of a forest scene. Use your pencil to sketch out the shapes you will cut out from different materials. Include a large tree in the foreground using textured paper shapes, and a sun or clouds in the background. Use light shading to show where you will layer different colours of paper to create depth. Remember to leave space to label your work with words from the word bank.



Label words: Texture · Layering · Overlay · Overlap · Background · Foreground · Composition

Steps:

1. Step 1: Choose three different paper textures (e.g., shiny, rough, or crinkled). Describe why you chose them for your collage.
2. Step 2: Explain what you will place in the 'background' of your collage compared to the 'foreground'.
3. Step 3: What materials could you find in your garden or a park to add 3D texture to your artwork?

4. Step 4: If you were selling your collage at a school craft fair, and it cost £2.50 to make, how much profit would you make if you sold it for £4.00?
5. Step 5: Label your final drawing with the word 'Overlap' to show where two materials meet.