Zara’s Watercolour Explorer Journal

Learning objective: To explore the properties of watercolours, describe colour blending, and express personal artistic choices through observation.

Welcome to Zara the Zebra’s art studio! Today, you are going to be an artist. First, choose your colours and paint in the space provided. Then, use this journal to record your discoveries about how water and paint mix together. Talk to an adult about how your colours changed when you added more water.

Word bank: water · paint · mix · light · dark · bright · soft · colour

1. My Colour Choices: Which colours did you pick for your painting today? Tell me why you like them.

2. The Water Magic: What happened to the paint when you added a little bit of water? Did it get lighter or darker?

3. Mixing Wonders: If you mixed two colours together on the paper, what new colour did you make?

4. My Favourite Part: What is your favourite shape or splash on your page? Describe it to me.

5. Zara's Challenge: If you were painting a sunny day, which colours would you use and why?

Extension challenge: Try painting a small circle with one colour. While it is still wet, add a drop of a different colour in the middle and watch how they dance together!