

Curiosity and Kindness: Prompt Cards for Making

As part of the AccessArt Prompt Card collection, this selection of prompts for making focuses on the [AccessArt Art Week](#) theme of Curiosity and Kindness, and is a great way to inspire playful making, creative risk-taking and build a greater understanding of [material literacy](#) skills in learners. As well as practical making skills, learners will be encouraged to think creatively and positively about how kind traits and personalities can be conveyed through sculpture.

Suitable for learners aged 4 and above, this resource can be easily adapted for different abilities by adjusting the materials and tools provided, while the theme 'Kindness and Curiosity' can be modified to explore a range of personalities and traits.

Use the prompt cards below as a 30-minute warm-up to help learners begin to explore manipulating materials and moving their fingers.

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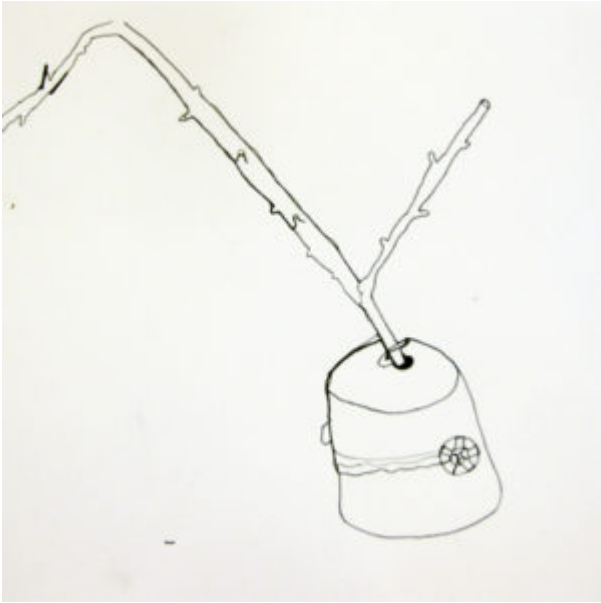
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“You can get a real sense of the environment in this post and how this could provide so much inspiration for creative projects. We are aware there

the challenges to exploring the outdoors when many schools are in towns and cities. A way around this could be to have a regular collection of natural objects within the classroom and using them as a stimulus to respond creatively in sketchbooks or in extended projects”
– *Andrea, AccessArt*

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“It’s lovely to see a resource that centres on a particular material and the scope it offers. I particularly like how the dogwood is used here to make wooden beads. This idea could be developed further by looking at how wood has been used to make jewelry throughout history and within many different cultures.” – *Rachel, AccessArt.*

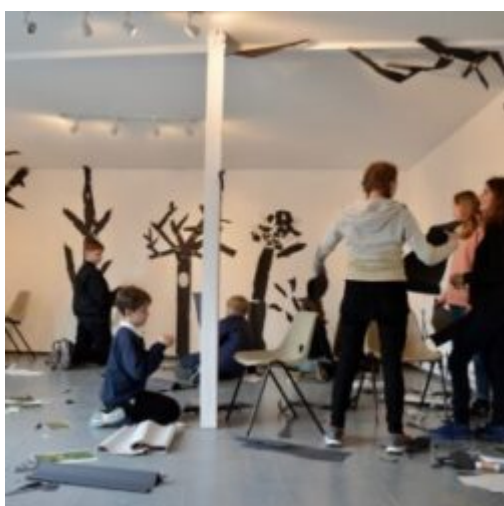
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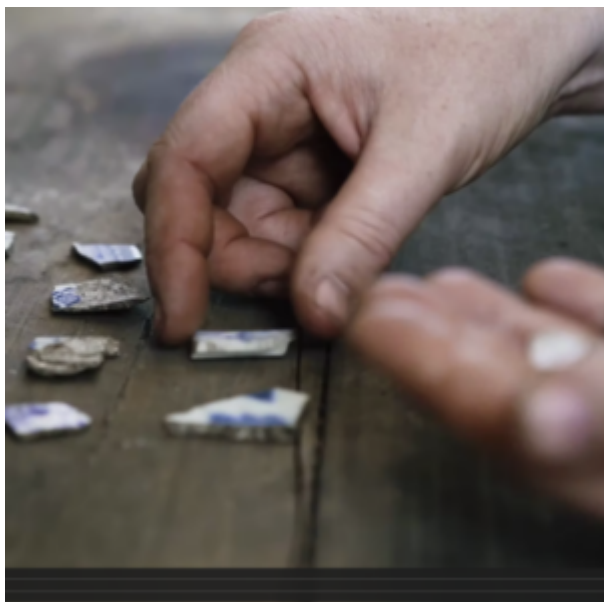
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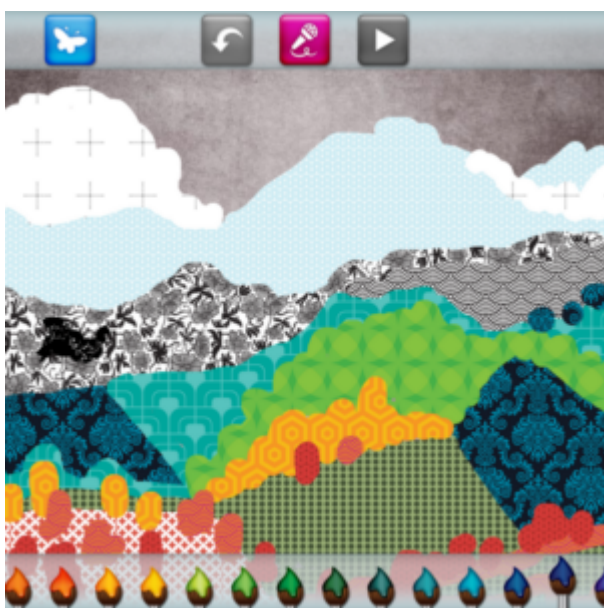
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Withy Butterflies

Art educator Anne-Louise Quinton shares a workshop for making a flock of large, withy butterflies, creating a colourful and dramatic artwork.

Making Sculpture Inspired by Degas

This resource explores sculpture by French artist Edgar Degas (1834-1917) and shows how hands-on sculptural processes can be facilitated in a classroom. This resource was created in collaboration with AccessArt and the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge.

Sculptures with Personality, Inspired by Anglo Saxon Houses

This resource shares a 3 hour session with Year 6 children from Barton Church of England Primary School. Children were studying the Anglo Saxons and we thought it would be a good opportunity to explore making skills.

Led by Paula Briggs, children to “make sculptures inspired by” an Anglo Saxon Village.

Drawing with Objects by Melissa Pierce Murray

Teenagers explore ideas of placement with artist Melissa P Murray by arranging or assembling objects to make compositions or maquettes.

Making Giant Withie Lanterns

With ‘festivals of lights’ in November and December, teenagers at AccessArt’s Experimental Drawing class had a fun time constructing giant lanterns out of withies and wet-strength tissue paper.

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to explore constructing in mixed media and using inventiveness and innovation to create painting tools, which would later be used to paint a Communal Drawing of the River.

Perseverance, Determination and Inventiveness: Building Nests

Year 4 pupils from Comberton Village College and Cambourne Village College feeder schools met for a

Gifted and Talented Sculpture Masterclass led by AccessArt at Bourn Primary Academy. The session centred around an exploration of the materials and construction methods we might use to build inventive, sculptural nests.

Making Sea Sculptures at Culford School, Suffolk

Artists Andrea Butler and Sheila Ceccarelli inspire year three pupils to invent their own sculptural sea creatures using simple wrapping and binding techniques with scrap store materials.