Transforming Letters

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This resource demonstrates how letters can be cut out and arranged to make an image. See how, in this example, the letters from the words 'tree', 'bike', and 'cat' are cut out and arranged to form images of a tree, a bike, and a cat.

This challenge can be completed as a 30-minute standalone activity or warm-up, or form part of a larger project exploring collage, shape, and composition. The video below is suitable for learners aged 14 and up; however, the activity can be facilitated with children aged 7 and above.

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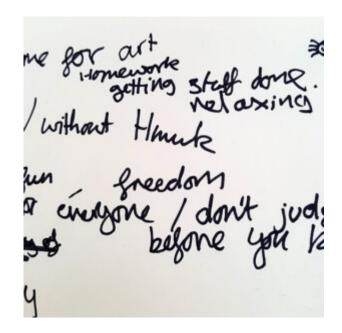
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"I really like how this playful resource helps us to make a creative response inspired by a stimulus, ensuring that the stimulus is only an entry point into an outcome that will look totally different. Exploring the themes of colour, texture and composition through the lens of different artists also helps us see how we can interpret (and re-interpret) colours and materials in a meaningful way. Viewfinders and collage are also great tools for those who experience 'fear of the white page' and will allow learners to make conscious creative decisions as they go." — Tobi, AccessArt

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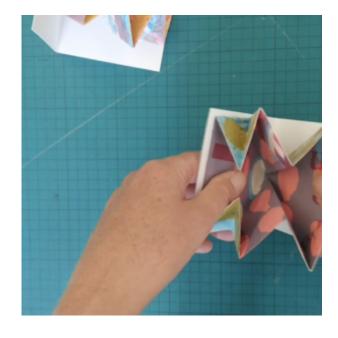
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"It's really nice to see that although Rachel Parker works quite digitally, her process from the beginning is very tactile. Rachels books act as a really great source of inspiration, helping to break down the creative blocks that we all get from time to time. Having a sketchbook dedicated to colour means that as well as working with

colours that you already love, you can test new colour palettes and see colours from a new perspective. I especially love how Rachel picks up on the different tones in colours by looking at the way light hits it in order build her colour palette around those supporting tones as well as big statement colours." — Tobi, AccessArt

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"It's great to see how a simple exercise such as colour collecting, which can be done in a classroom setting, is also used in a professional capacity. This gives the activity a clear context and purpose. It's nice to see Rachel's decisions being made in real time, it demonstrates how artists are constantly reflecting on and self evaluating their own decisions. Rachel also shows us that she sometimes gets colour palettes from photos that she's taken herself, this is really

exciting because it demonstrates how the artists experience is central to their work. Students will be able to bring their own experience and personality to this activity by having complete control over what their colour moodboard becomes." — Tobi, AccessArt

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