Pop-up Collage

Make a pop-up collage! Using paper folding techniques and scissors, transform everyday paper into a 3-d pop-up collage. Get inspired by a place you love and think about the images, colors, and shapes that remind you of that place.

Materials

- 7 pieces of thick paper
- Scissors
- Pencils or markers
- Drawing paper
- Magazine cutouts (optional)
- Tape (Masking or scotch tape)

Instructions

1. Cut 5 pieces of paper into squares of the same size. Take 4 squares and fold each one in half, cutting the center out to leave an open frame. Save one square for the back of the pop-up collage.

2. Take the two other pieces of paper and cut 2 long rectangle strips that are the same height as the squares.

3. Fold each of the rectangle strips back and forth like an accordion, each fold approximately 1”. Tape the square back of the collage to the two accordion sides and an open frame to be the front. This should create a box shape.

4. Place the additional frames in the box and tape to the accordion sides.

5. Create a background, add imagery and see your pop-up collage grow!

Go Further

Keep adding to your pop-up collage sculpture and see how it changes over time. Experiment with different ways of adding pictures to "pop" into the frame. Consider sending your collage to a friend or relative as a special greeting!

Take a photo of your Pop-Up Collage and share it with us! Tag us on Instagram @ bcmkids bcmayou