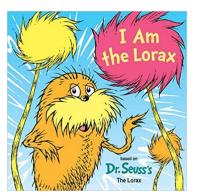


Time: 15-20 minutes Messiness: low Adult involvement: low



### **Torn-Paper Landscape!**

**Description:** young artists learn the importance of taking care of the environment and create a Seuss-inspired torn-paper landscape!

<u>Story: "I Am the Lorax"</u> written by Courtney Carbone and illustrated by Tom Brannon (Random House Books for Young Readers; 2020) based on Dr. Seuss's *The Lorax* 

#### Let's talk about this artwork!

- What do you see?
- These flowers are made of glass!
  - If you could smell these flowers, how would you describe their scent?
  - Name the colors used in this artwork. If you were the artist, what colors would you chosen?
- If you could touch this artwork, how do you think it would feel? Smooth and hard? Rough and soft?
- What is your favorite plant or flower? Describe to someone how you would take good care of your plant.



#### **Materials Needed**

- 1) crayon
- 2) scissors
- 3) three: bright colored construction paper
- 4) one: neutral or white construction paper
- 5) glue stick
- 6) three-five: tissue paper pieces in bright colors

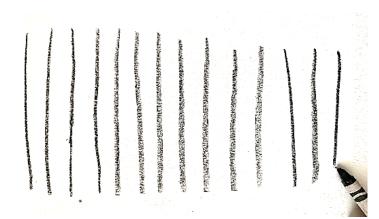


#### Project Skills

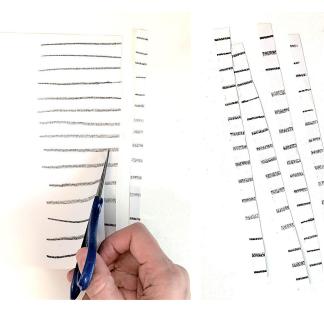
- 1) Fine / Gross Motor
  - a) cutting
  - b) gluing
  - c) tearing
  - d) drawing
- 2) Language Development
  - a) expressive: speaking
  - b) receptive: listening
  - c) discussing
- 3) 21<sup>st</sup>-Century
  - a) critical thinking
  - b) creativity

#### Project Instructions

1) Using a crayon, draw straight lines down a piece of neutral or white construction paper.

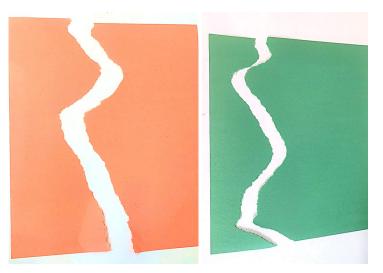


2) Flip the paper so the side is facing up and cut strips. The strips will look like stripes as you cut across the lines you drew. Your crayon marks have become the bark on tree trunks! Put strips aside for now.





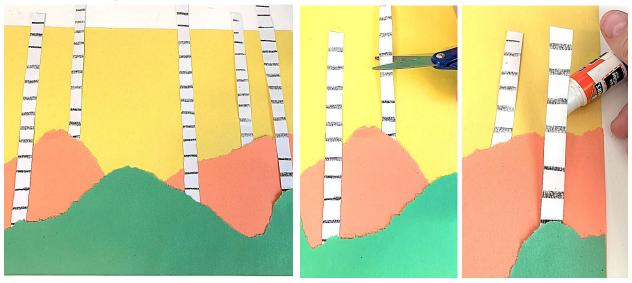
 Pick the darkest two of your bright colors of construction paper. Tear unevenly from the top to the bottom, letting some sections be narrower and some sections wider.



4) Use the lightest color of construction paper as a background. Arrange the torn pieces on top of the background until you like it. Glue down those pieces one section at a time while being careful to match any straight edges.



5) Arrange your striped tree trunks on your landscape. Trim the trunks by cutting some shorter. Glue them down in place.



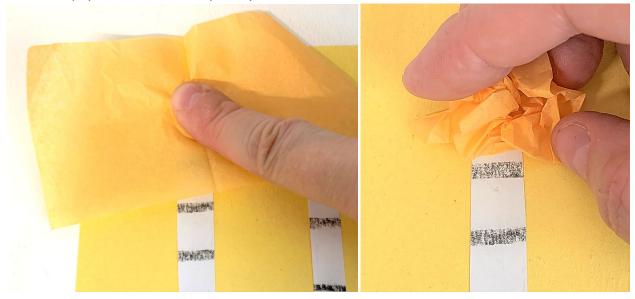


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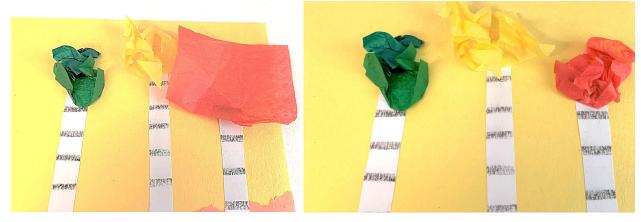
6) Using your glue stick, put a circle of glue at the top of one of the tree trunks.



7) Choose a color of tissue paper and press into the glue. Then crumble up the edges of the tissue paper to make the top fluffy.



8) Repeat for remaining colors of tissue paper to finish off your tree trunks.





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9) You have taken good care of these beautiful trees!



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