# Primary School Learning Activities

## Standard Two

## FOCUS: RELIEF PORTRAIT MAKING

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| ***1.1.1 Understand the concept of space, texture and form through construction activities*** | Define the term relief in art<br><br>Identify material which can be used for the relief<br><br>Create and paint a relief portrait | Cardboard<br>White glue<br>Paper and pencil<br><br>Paint and paint brushes |

## Activities

- **What is the meaning of <u>relief in art?</u>** A relief is art work made by forming sculptural forms from a flat surface. In other words, some parts are raised from a flat surface. **Let's look at some examples.**



Do I look worried by Donna Tull



Panman- Copper Art by Glendon Morris

- **What materials can be used to make relief art work**? Let's look at the examples of above again.
  - Mr. Nosikov's art work was made from wood….
  - What material was used for the Palmyra figure? _____

  Any sculptural material can be used to make relief art.

  Wood, cardboard, metals, sand, clay and others.

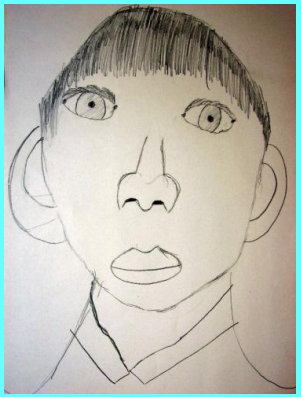
- Do you know what is a **portrait?**
  **A portrait is a photograph, painting or artwork of a person's face.**
  **The most famous portrait is:**



Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci

- For this activity you are going to use cardboard to make a relief portrait of any family member.
  We are going to use the shapes seen in the face – facial features and use these shapes to make the portrait.
  Let's begin

***Step 1- Draw a quick sketch of the family member***
It should look like this:



Or



***Step 2 – Make the facial features into shapes on the sketch***. Like this:

Draw all the shapes that make the person's face

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***Step 3- Get your cardboard***

**For this exercise, an adult will have to assist you with the cutting for your SAFETY!**

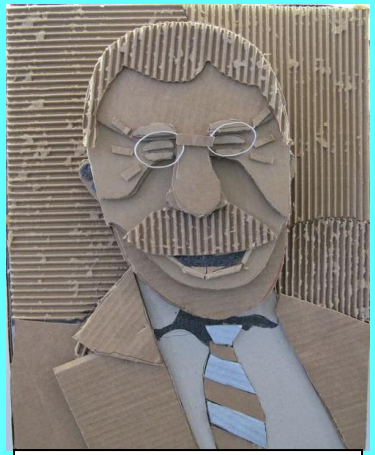
- Cut a large piece of cardboard for the base or the background.
- Using another piece of cardboard, cut out all the shapes that make the person's facial features.
- Stick shapes on top of each other until you have made your relief portrait.
  Your relief portrait should look like these examples:



Relief Portrait Example 1



Relief Portrait Example 2



Relief Portrait Example 3

***Step 4- Colouring the portrait- three (3) methods***

1. You can either use paint and colour the portrait. Use any colour
2. You can "paint" it with white glue to keep the brown colour of the cardboard.
   Remember this, white glue dries clear and white a shine.
3. You can combine methods 1 & 2. Look at the white paint in examples 2 & 3 above.
   **Experiment and have fun!**

**Make relief portraits for all members of your family and have an ART EXHIBITION!**



Credits

Portrait sketches:

https://www.offexploring.com/aas-art-es/albums/2nd-grade-artwork/4495574

https://drydenart.weebly.com/fugleblog/kindergarten-self-portraits

Relief Portrait examples:

https://www.pinterest.com/pin/105623553745743144/

https://www.pinterest.com/pin/359091770273797694/

https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/367676757073005448/