

Primary School Learning Activities

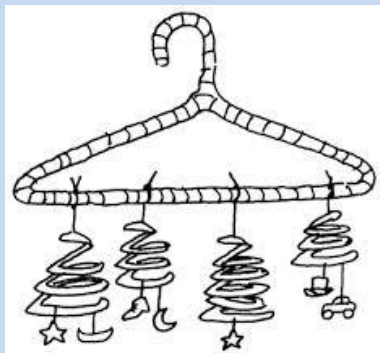
Standard Four

FOCUS: MOBILE MAKING

Content	Activities	Tools and materials needed
2.1.1 Understand that balance, repetition, contrast, pattern and rhythm can be used in creating 3-dimensional work	Understand what is an art mobile Create models using regular or organic shapes Construct a mobile for your bedroom using models created	Paint- acrylic or poster Paint brushes Scissors Ruler and pencil String Clothes Hanger Paper and Cardboard (from boxes)

Activities:

- What is an art mobile? An art mobile has a number of models (created shapes) attached to strings, which is then connected to a rod. For this project our 'rod' is a clothes hanger. Mobiles must be balanced and then suspended or attached for air currents to move it. Look at these examples of mobiles....



Let us begin

- Decide on your theme for your mobile. What do you like? Fishes? Butterflies? Cars? Clouds? Fruits? When you have decided on your theme, you need to make your models and colour (decorate) them. Remember your models are cut-out shapes or objects you can recycle (like cups, cotton balls).

If you are making the cut-out shapes, **an adult MUST assist you with the cutting.**



Your models should not exceed 10 c.m. in length or height.

Be mindful, if you are going to suspend your mobile over your bed, then you must make colour and decorate on BOTH sides.

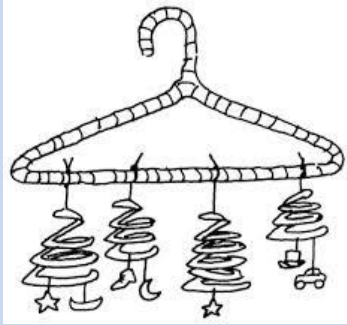
- Mobiles are about balance.
Cut your strings at different length and attach your models to the string.
You now have to attach the string to the clothes hanger.

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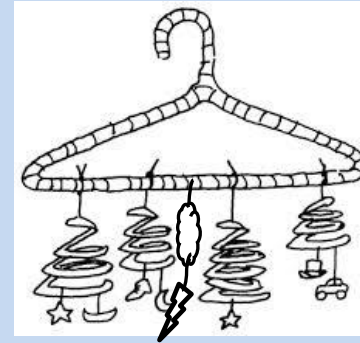
The number of stringed models you have made will depend on how you attach them to the clothes hanger!

If you have an even number of strings (2, 4, 6) then you must spread evenly for it to be balanced.

If you have an odd number of stringed models (3, 5, 7) you must spread evenly on both sides, with one in the middle for it to be balanced.



Even number of string models on hanger



Odd number of string models on hanger

Have fun with making your mobile. Enjoy!

Write your experience in completing this activity in your art journal.

Take pictures to place in the portfolio folder you will be making soon!

