

# Art Challenge



“Hi I’m Rik Bear, companion of Charlotte and Jamie from Pawprint Badges, you can find out more about my story on the Pawprint website. This badge pack contains lots of fun activities to get you feeling and being creative. Proceeds from this badge go towards helping Scouts and Guides from across the UK take part in lots of adventures via The Pawprint Trust. Thank you for your support!”

#### Suggested challenges for different age groups:

- 5-7 Years : Complete 1 challenge from each of the 4 sections.
- 7-11 Years : Complete 1 challenge from each of the 4 sections + 1 more of your choice.
- 11-14 Years : Complete 1 challenge from each of the 4 sections + 2 more of your choice.
- 14-18 Years : Complete 1 challenge from each of the 4 sections + 3 more of your choice.
- 18+ Years : Award yourself a badge for assisting young people in achieving this badge.

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# Craft

-  Get creative and recreate a famous piece of art. Find out about the picture/sculpture you are recreating and tell someone about it.





## How To!

You can use anything you like to recreate your piece of artwork, it doesn't even have to be the same as the original. If you're recreating a painting, why not try using found objects. If you're recreating a sculpture, try drawing it, moulding it out of playdoh or painting a picture of it.

-  Create your own gift and wrapping paper.
-  Make your own paint brushes and paint a picture using them.




## Here's an idea!

This is the perfect activity for the Autumn term. Go on a nature walk and collect fallen leaves and twigs, tie your leaves onto the sticks to create your paint brushes. Alternatively, at other times of year use craft foam to make the brush and lolly sticks for handles.

-  Make your own mosaic using old tiles or post-it notes.
-  Make a sculpture. You could use clay, wire or found objects.
-  Make your own jewellery. You can make beads using paper, or use pasta, bottletops or tin foil.
-  Have a go with clay and make a pot.

## How To!



Why not find out if you have a local ceramic artist who could come and show you how its done. Alternatively you can use air-dry clay or visit a ceramic cafe and paint your own pot.

-  Test out different art materials to make something of your choice, you could use chalk, pastels, paints, clay, wire, watercolours, etc.
-  Create your own stained glass window: you could do this with black sugar paper and coloured tissue paper.
-  Paint with your hands and feet. Get a long roll of lining paper and get messy! (Great for big kids too!)






# Food



-  Use food to recreate a famous piece of art...then eat it! You could use any food you like- just remember to wash hands and only eat food that has been cooked/prepared properly!
-  Decorate biscuits using different coloured icing to learn about colour mixing and create a colour wheel.





## How?

Begin by creating white icing using icing sugar and water, then split into 3. Mix red, yellow and blue food colouring with the 3 lots of icing sugar. Decorate 1 biscuit with each icing, then mix a little of each of the colours to create the secondary colours (orange, green and purple). If you're feeling adventurous you could try and mix the tertiary colours too (ie. red-orange, orange-yellow, yellow-green etc.) When you're done, lay them out in a circle, take a photo and tweet us @PawprintBadges and get eating!! This is best done in small groups of 3 or 4 and little people might need some help.

-  Make a rainbow cake, layering different coloured sponges.
-  Have a go at fruit carving (or pumpkin carving if it's Autumn!).
-  Use food to make art!

## How to!

Why not have a go at potato printing, cut your potato in half and carve out a shape then print with it. Alternatively, try printing with other foods like pasta and pulses, you can even glue them onto card to make them easier to hold and print with!

-  Use cooked spaghetti to draw a picture instead of a pencil line.
-  Make your own rainbow kebab sticks using different coloured fruit then enjoy drizzled in chocolate.
-  Try your hand at making different coloured sauces/dips then use them all to make an 'artist palette' dipping plate and enjoy!
-  Make your own artists' palette using a digestive biscuit and adding different decorations for the paint splodges. Alternatively you could have a go at moulding a palette from melted chocolate!



# Games




 Draw or paint using only your 'wrong' hand- you can do it blindfolded too if you want more of a challenge with someone else acting as your eyes!

 Make your own water balloon art.

## How?


You need a large space or outdoor canvas for this. Fill water balloons with different coloured paints (powder paint and water works best!) then throw them at your 'canvas' to create a unique and original artwork. Make sure you only do this where you can easily clean up or it's OK to make a mess as this can get pretty messy!

 Play 'Fruit Salad' but swap the fruits for: Pablo Picasso, Vincent Van Gogh, Andy Warhol and Claude Monet and for 'Fruit Salad' shout 'Let's make Art!'. Alternatively play the game and make up your own names.

 Draw a picture by following grid references.

## For leaders...

Draw out a design on paper and create a set of grid references/compass points to follow (ie. 2 steps North, then 3 steps East) which will create the image when followed. If you like you can create a grid or compass on the floor to begin with. Give your young people the instructions and have them draw out the image on the floor with either rope or string for indoors or tent pegs and string for outside, placing a peg in the ground where they 'land' and joining the dots with the string. This takes quite a bit of planning but is good fun when you get going! For older groups try giving them just a compass to work out the directions.

 Create Art in pairs using only one hand each to make a pair- one person uses their left hand the other uses their right.

 Mix and match famous artwork.

## How To!

Print and cut up famous paintings/pieces of art. Place all pieces face down in the centre of the circle and give each group a starting piece. One by one players come to the centre of the circle and grab/return a piece.







# Other

-  Take a trip to an Art Gallery or to visit a local artist.

## Here's an Idea!

Why not make your own art while you're there? Have a go at recreating a piece of work from the gallery or make your own art inspired by your journey or your surroundings.

-  Meet an Artist and find out what they do.
-  Make your own art and auction it off for charity.
-  Learn about a famous artist, when they lived and the work they made.
-  Create a short play or song based on a famous piece of art.




## What?

Take a look at a famous painting. Imagine it is a photograph or a movie still. What do you think happened just before it was taken? What happened in the frame just before it? What is the story behind the work? How did the people feel/think? Portray all of those feelings/emotions and the story behind the work in a short play or song.

-  Create your own 'land art' or big art.

## Leaders!

This is the perfect activity for a summer camp or a trip out. Visit the beach and use found rocks, shells and seaweed to make an image or simply find objects around your meeting place and create a big artwork then photograph it from above.

-  Have a go at photography: you could even make a short animated film with your photos.
-  It's an old favourite...make a sculpture using only spaghetti and marshmallows!
-  Make it bigger! Host your own exhibition at your meeting place to show off all the work you've done towards your Art Challenge badge!

