

Autumn Trees

Have you noticed the trees lately? The leaves are waving a colourful goodbye before Winter begins. The colours are amazing, aren't they? Let's see if we can capture them in a picture.

1. You're going to need some paper and coloured pens, pencils or crayons (as many different reds, oranges and yellows as you can find) and a black pen/pencil. Off you pop!

2. Next, decide whether you are going to draw just one or three trees, and draw them with your black pen on your paper. My trees are different heights which makes the smaller ones look further away.

3. Now we're onto the colourful bit! You're going to start with a red and colour a scribbly circle around the top of each tree

like this



Go round and round and round... until you have a nice thick ring of red.

4. The next colour is orange and you might have a few shades. Start with the darkest and make a slightly smaller ring of circular scribbles.

It doesn't matter if they overlap, if anything it's better if they do!



5. Carry on with the circular scribbles, with your colours, working through light oranges to yellow until you get to the middle of the circle. That's the trees, done!

6. With a blue crayon now trace the outline of each tree, getting bigger each time until all of your paper is filled with sky.

7. Add some ground, covered in leaves, colour those in red and orange, and you're done!

Amazing! Don't forget to share your creations with us

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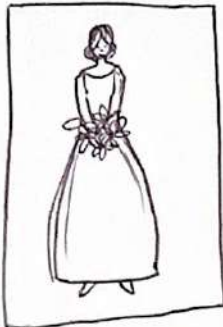




Leaf Lady

When Ingestre Hall was built, ladies wore long dresses. Draw a lady with a long dress and decorate it with some fallen leaves. Here's how:

1. On a piece of paper, draw a head, neck, body and arms and the outline of a long dress, like this.



2. If you have trouble drawing

hands (like I do!) then give your lady a bunch of flowers to hold - and you won't see the hands - problem solved!

3. Collect some beautifully shaped and coloured leaves - hydrangea petals are brilliant if you can find some. "Leave" them (haha!) under a heavy book for a few hours and then glue them to the skirt!

4. Match the bodice of the dress to the leaves. with pencil ^{crayons} and colour in her hair. #stay creative



Bat-tastic!

There are over 1000 different bat species, did you know? They're all nocturnal and use echolocation to navigate in the dark. They're really cool, let's do some 'bat art'. You'll need some felt-tipped pens and paper and a ruler - it's not often I say that, so enjoy the moment, it won't last!

1. on your piece of paper, draw round something circular for your moon, in pencil, just above the centre point.
2. Next, add your bat shapes. Odd numbers are best, try to vary the size so that they look like some are closer than others. Colour these in black.
3. Colour the sky and the moon in - you could use purple or blue for the sky, or whatever you've got - try sunset colours if you like!

The trick is to follow the line of the moon and be a bit scruffy with your colouring in - it looks a bit like Van Gogh's "Starry Night" then!

4. Draw your lines across the page - try to make some interesting angles - triangles work really well. Then fill them in with lines which change direction from shape to shape. They almost look like cobwebs.

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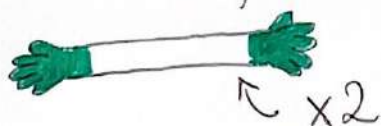


These witches are, as the title suggests - WICKED!
You'll need some newspaper, some magazines, a kebab stick (or a stick from the garden) your scissors and some glue....


1. Find something circular to draw around onto your newspaper sheet - about the size of a big dinnerplate or saucepan lid. Cut out your circle carefully.


2. Next, chop it in half, across the diameter, and roll each half into a cone shape. Secure with a bit of glue stick or a small snip, piece of tape.

3. From your leftover newspaper cut a strip - this is going to be the arms, so we need it to wrap around the top part of your cones. You'll need one for each witch.

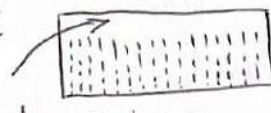


← Feel free to colour her hands in green if you fancy

4. Next find some plain paper - draw around a small circle; like a tall glass and cut two circles out. Or you could find a face from a magazine! Draw on a face if you're using paper. If you're using a magazine face, add some warts and black out some teeth, make her nose bigger and add some bushy eyebrows. 

5. Cut another 2 slightly bigger circles using a mug or a glass and then a very small one (like your gherkin lid) from the middle to leave you with a donut shape. Slot this over the top of your cone to make the brim of her hat  and then glue your face below it

6. The arms can be glued on now around the cone

7. Cut a strip of paper or newspaper and cut a fringe along it  snip up the dotted lines
put glue along here

Wrap this around one end of a kebab stick to make her broom!



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Spooky Lanterns

You're going to need an empty, clean, milk carton, a sharpie pen or permanent marker and either a head torch (you can get them from the poundshop or B&M) or some glowsticks.

1. First wash out your milk canister, and fill it with clean water. Screw on the lid and dry the sides with a tea towel.

2. Get your permanent marker and draw a face - there are lots of expressions you could draw!



3. Now, pop in your glowstick to float in the water, or give your lantern a head torch placing the light so it shines into the container!

SPOOKY!

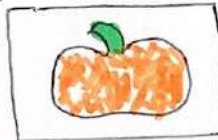


Don't forget to take a photo and share it with the #staycreative hashtag!

Pumpkin Smiles.

Pumpkins with carved, spooky faces are thought to protect you from evil spirits - but we think they're just great as decorations! If you haven't got a pumpkin to carve, try this cool collage one instead. You'll need your trusty stash of magazines and some glue...

1. Find some orangey bits from your magazines and start sticking them down into a pumpkin shape you have outlined on a piece of paper or scrap cardboard. Make sure all the bits are firmly glued down.



2. Now find some white and black or brown bits and some greenish bits for the stalk. You can cut a large black "smile" and add white teeth.

Don't forget the eyes! ☹️



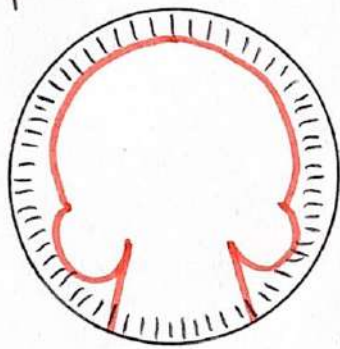
3. If you don't glue these down you can change the expression every day by using a bit of 'blu tak' - create a montage of creepy faces and share them with us #SRESatHome #Iraycreative



Sugar Skull Plates

Just after Hallowe'en, on 2nd November is the Day of the Dead festival, celebrated throughout Mexico. These paper plates masks look amazing - give them a whirl!

1. You'll need a paper plate, a pencil and ruler, and lots of coloured pens: We're going to start by drawing the shape of the skull on the plate like this:



2. Next, cut it out, carefully.

3. Now you can start adding features - two ovals for eyes and an upside-down heart shape for the nose, and some teeth.

4. The last task is to use lots of colour to decorate the skull with dots, flowers and scallops around the eyes, on the cheeks and the forehead. Don't forget to share! #SRESatHome #staycreative #stayspooky

