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NATURAL SELF PORTRAIT!

I'll bet there are more than a few people who would love to see cool picture of you that's made by you. That's what a self-portrait is, and this one is going to be extra interesting! You're going to use bits and bobs from nature to make it - things like twigs, leaves, dried grasses, flowers, small shells, seeds, etc. The results are naturally pretty wonderful to look at!

Supplies in kit

- one cardboard oval

What you'll need from home

- liquid school glue (that dries clear)
- your new Nature Collection Tote that you have just crafted, full of gathered items like leaves, twigs, grasses, etc.
- a pencil
- scissors

Directions

1. Remove your bits of nature from your beautiful tote bag, and lay them out on a flat surface so that you can easily see the shapes you will be choosing to make your portrait.



2. Looking at the cardboard oval, decide where you want to place the elements that will be your eyes, nose, mouth, hair, etc., and mark with a pencil, as pictured.



3. Before gluing, experiment by placing each item in different areas to see how you like the “look.” It is perfectly fine to break, tear, or cut your greens and twigs to create shapes that work best for your self-portrait. When you are happy with your choices, begin gluing. Use a good amount of glue as pictured or the bits and pieces won’t stick as well. Don’t worry, it dries clear! Gloppy wet glue works best!



4. Let your portrait dry completely, and there *you* are!



BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

How are You Peeling? Foods with Moods by Saxton Freymann

Painting Pepette by Linda Ravin Lodding

Billy's Picture by Margaret and H.A. Rey

Grandpa Green by Lane Smith

Square by Mac Barnett



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