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## WAX & WATERCOLOR PAINTING!

Have some fun with this special watercolor and crayon technique called watercolor resist. It is a little bit of science and art all mixed up when you add watercolor paint to a picture made with waxy crayons! Once you see how it works you will want to keep on making colorful new paintings!



#### Supplies in kit

• 1 picture of an outer space rocket and planets

#### What you'll need from home

- crayons
- watercolor paints
- one small but fairly wide paintbrush

#### Directions

1. Color in the objects in the picture as seen below. It's a good idea to press a bit harder when you color to make a more waxy surface.



2. Using your watercolor paints choose your background colors and start adding the paint to the whole picture.



3. Blot up any leftover beads of watercolor paint on your crayoned areas with a tissue or paper towel.



4. When the painting is completely dry it may curl up a bit. To flatten it out simply place it under a flat heavy object like a book or a stack of books. After a while, your painting will flatten out.





Using this crayon and watercolor method you can make up your own pictures or try writing secret messages with a white crayon on white paper. When you paint over the waxy crayon, the mystery message is revealed!

### **BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS**

Man on the Moon: A Day in the Life of Ralph by Simon Bertram

Captain Raptor and the Space Pirates by Kevin O'Malley

Commander Toad in Space by Jane Yolen

Go for the Moon: A Boy a Rocket and the

First Man on the Moon by Chris Gall

Moon Shot by Brian Floca



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