

CRAFT KITS FROM THE PROVIDENCE ATHENÆUM'S CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

PATCHWORK PAPER-CLOTH!

Design your own papery fabric that can be used for lots of craft projects!

Supplies in kit

- 1 cotton square
- 1 sheet of waxed paper
- 1 sponge tipped paint brush
- 1 blank figure template



What you'll need from home

- liquid school glue
- water
- measuring spoon
- a container to mix the glue and water in
- scissors
- lightweight cut or torn up paper, ex: magazine pages, tissue paper, wrapping paper and or newspaper

Directions

1. Gather your choice of lightweight paper. This can be anything that you like, from cut-out pictures from a magazine to scraps of wrapping paper, colored tissue, or newspaper.
2. In a jar or plastic cup, mix about a third of a cup of liquid school glue with just enough water (stir in a tablespoon at a time) to create the consistency of cream. You will be using the sponge brush to “paint” the glue on the fabric and paper.



3. Place the waxed paper on a flat surface and lay the cloth square on top of the waxed paper. The wax paper keeps the tabletop clean and is also the perfect surface for the gluey cloth and paper to dry on. Assemble the cut or torn paper that you have selected, the glue mixture, and sponge brush.



4. When you have decided what sort of design or picture you want to make, paint the glue directly on the cloth where you want to begin. The area should be well covered in glue before adding paper. After you have placed the paper on the gluey cloth, paint the glue on the paper as well. Continue this process until you have completely covered the cloth with your design or picture.



5. It's time to set your paper-cloth aside to dry all day or over night! When it's completely dry, peel the paper-cloth off of the waxed paper, and it will be ready for you to work with. I used my paper-cloth to make a hanging patchwork banner to start with. Then later, I traced a figure on the blank side to make clothes for a colorful scarecrow. When dried, paper-cloth can be cut easily, drawn, or painted on like paper and like cloth it can be sewn as well. Enjoy!



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