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# PRINTMAKING CRAFT!

*Draw a picture and make lots of copies in different colors using this easy printmaking technique!*

## Supplies in kit

- 3 sheets of styrofoam
- 3 pieces of white construction paper



## What you'll need from home

- 1 (not too sharp) pencil
- water soluble color markers
- 2-3 sheets of paper towel

## Directions

1. Place one piece of white construction paper on a plate or other waterproof surface and cover with a damp paper towel. Gently press the wet towel to the paper and set the plate aside to let the paper absorb the moisture.



2. Place a sheet of styrofoam on your work surface. You can tape it to your work surface to keep it from sliding around. Draw a picture on the styrofoam with the dull pencil. When you have finished drawing, color your picture with water soluble markers.



*Helpful Hint: Prints are mirror images of your drawing. If you want to write words on your picture, be sure to write them backwards.*

3. When you have colored your whole drawing, it's time to peel the wet towel off the construction paper. The paper should be moist but not dripping wet.



4. Place the damp paper over your colored picture and firmly press it. Blotting it all over with a dry paper towel is also a good way to make sure the paper absorbs the marker "ink."



5. Now it's time to gently peel the paper off your drawing and.... Taa-daa! There's your print! Set your printed picture aside to dry. To make a new print: prepare your moistened paper, wipe the leftover color off your drawing board and begin again!



## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

*Squeaking of Art* by Monica Wellington

*Seen Art?* by Jon Scieszka

*Aaron Slater, Illustrator* by Andrea Beaty

*The Dot* by Peter Reynolds

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