

COLLAGE Techniques

Materials:

Things to cut out pictures from,
Could be any of the following:

Newspaper

Magazines

Leaflets

Books

Any other print media

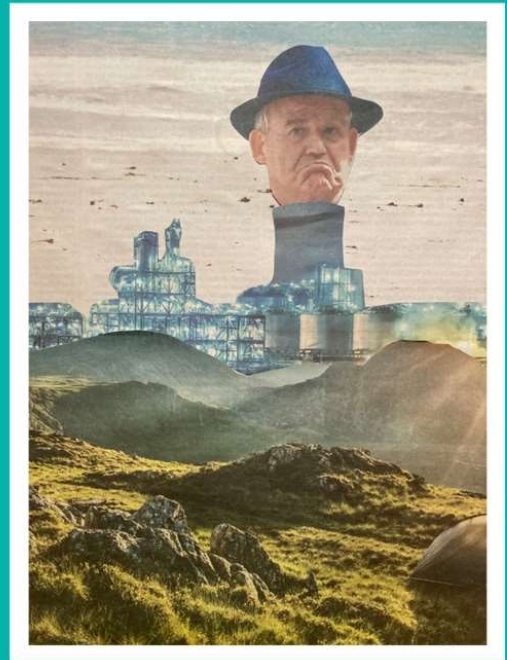
Drawings/Paintings

Scrap papers

Scissors

Glue

A base - i.e. a piece of card



Step 1:



1. Firstly, have a look at all of your collage materials and find some images/texture/patterns/words etc that you like.

2. Cut everything out as carefully as you can. You might want to use a craft knife and cutting mat if you have them; otherwise scissors are absolutely fine

TOP TIP

Try to think of what message you might want to get across before you chose what to cut out. Or maybe you simply want to create a surreal image, but its good to have a vague idea before you begin!



Step 2: Composition



Why not try a layered background? Cut along the horizon line, then take another background piece and stick it underneath, creating a layered background.

TOP TIP: Only glue the bottom part of the background layers, that way you can stick other layers under it so they look like they are behind each other.

Step 3: Bringing it all together

With the images I have chosen, quite a few different compositions (lay outs) are possible, so don't stick everything down straight away! Try a few different things! Maybe even take photos on your phone so you can decide which you prefer. When you are happy with how it looks, stick the final pieces down. *Which of the below do you like the most?*



Ideas and Inspiration

This is not an exact science, so just play around and have fun with it. Cut a piece out of a picture (like the dress below) and then place another picture underneath. Cut a figure out and cut it up, combine with an object. Use your imagination and try lots of different things! Have a look online at what others have done and draw inspiration from there.

