

## Eric Carle Inspired Collage

Create a unique piece of artwork inspired by Eric Carle's books. Practice drawing and making your own colorful collage paper.

### Materials:

- White paper (2 pieces)
- Color markers or crayons
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Reference: *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* or any Eric Carle book for inspiration

### Try it!

1. Choose an image from an Eric Carle book. With a dark marker, draw a large outline of the image (star, duck, house, moon) on a piece of white paper.
2. Color the second piece of white paper with markers and or crayons, making sure to color the entire paper. Use different lines and texture; choose at least two different shades of one color (brown, light brown) or combine different colors (yellow, orange).
3. Tear the color paper you just made into small pieces about ½ inch in size.
4. Arrange the pre-cut pieces of paper on top of the image you drew; fill the entire image with color.
5. Glue the torn pieces of paper onto the image to create a collage.
6. Cut along the outline of the collage you just made; remove the remaining white paper.

### Guiding Questions:

- Tell me about what you made!
- What colors did you use?
- What colors did you make?

### Learning Behind the Play

- Supports learning through cause and effect
- Encourages problem solving
- Develops fine motor skills
- Reinforces color concepts

### Take It Further

Turn your art into a puppet by attaching it to a popsicle stick!