

Activity Idea

Collage Book

Recommended for Ages 8 - 12

Create a collage book on a topic you are interested in learning.

You will need the following materials:

- Recycle cardboard, cardboard tubes, other recycled items that you want to use
- Magazines
- Scissors
- Paper
- Crayons, markers, colored pencils



Instructions:

1. Look through a magazine(s) for pictures to create a collage. Once you have your picture(s), cut them out with the scissors.
2. Cut one piece of recycled cardboard the size you want to make the book cover. This will be the canvas for the collage. In the example below, the cardboard is cut into a square 6.5" x 5.5."
3. Glue the cut outs on the canvas to create the collage. This will be the cover for the book.
4. Cut the cardboard tubes and other recycled cardboard to create a scene for the picture(s) and emphasize the picture(s). In the example, the zebra's tail and mane have a 3-D effect to emphasize these features of the zebra.
5. Cut out another piece of cardboard at least twice the width and the same height as the book. Fold the paper in half the short way. This will be the base for the book.
6. Glue the collage on the front of the book. The collage is the cover of the book.
7. To add facts to the book about your topic, you can visit and search the library databases for information on the topic of your choice at LACountyLibrary.org.
8. To search the databases, on the navigation bar, click on: **"Teens and Kids"**, then under **"Kids,"** click on **"Kids Corner,"** click on **"Database."**

