

POP UP ART

Pop up art is a fun way to incorporate 3D elements into your classroom. This method can be used to create cards, books, or a stand-alone piece. You can also incorporate multiple mediums like watercolor and/or oil pastels for even more fun!

MATERIALS

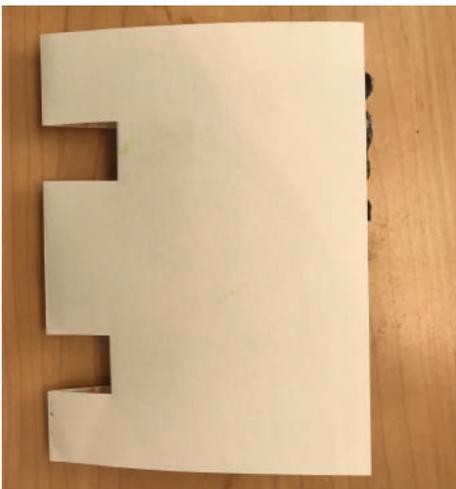
- 2 pieces of construction paper or cardstock
- Scrap construction paper/card stock
- Scissors
- Glue
- Pencil
- Markers, sharpies, paint, watercolor, oil pastels---any medium(s) you choose to create with

DIRECTIONS

1. Fold a piece paper in half.
2. On the fold of the paper draw two vertical, parallel lines equal in length. A great reference is your finger - line up your finger to the first knuckle at the fold and draw a line on either side.
3. Cut the lines. Be careful not to cut anything out of the paper as this will form your pop-up tab.
4. Fold the tab up on the paper and crease. Unfold and open the card up to a 'V'. Push the tabs inward so they are now on the inside when the card is closed.
5. With your card open and the tab(s) inside you can now create your pop up elements! Use construction paper and/or cardstock to draw, color, and cut out your creations.
6. Glue your pop up elements to the front of the tabs. Be careful to not have glue go on other parts of the paper as it could glue your card closed.
7. Add elements to the background of your piece.

Optional:

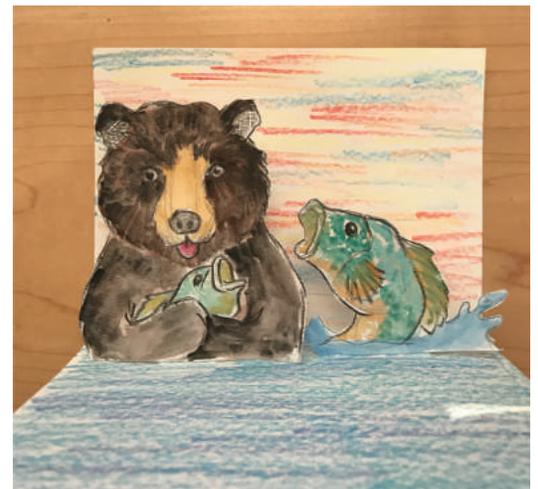
8. Fold a second piece of paper in half and glue it to the outside of your card which will cover the spaces left open by the tabs.
9. Decorate the outside of your artwork however you wish.



What your card should look like closed, the tabs pushed inward. The outside can be designed as a card or can have learned information written down, such as facts on a habitat.



Card open up to a 'V'. The tabs are pushed inward. The pop up designs, in this case a bear and fish, are *only* glued on the front part of the tab which allows it to open and close with the card.



Voila! A finished design. This design is an Alabama food chain with a black bear and big-mouthed bass. The card is folded to show the sky on top and water on the bottom.