



It's a big DEAL!

Daily Elementary Art Lesson

Day 32

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The elements of art are to art what the ABCs are to reading. This project introduces the element of form. FORM is the element of art that is 3 Dimensional and has VOLUME (Length, Width, Height). A FORM can be geometric or organic.

ARTIST Connection: LOUISE NEVELSON (1899–1988) was a sculptor known for her giant wall pieces and outdoor sculptures, which she would make out of objects she found as she was walking. Most of her sculptures are painted either all black or white.

You will need:
Something for a Base
(Plate, Cardboard, Lid, etc)
Small Objects
(Bread Ties, Tabs, PomPoms)
Glue



GATHERING YOUR MATERIALS:

Look around your house or yard and see if you can find some treasures! Do you have broken toys? Bottle lids? Markers that don't work anymore? These can all be used for your project! Many families have a "junk drawer" in their kitchens—this is an excellent place to find materials. Whatever you use, make sure to ask an ADULT for permission first.

Step 1.

Choose something to use as a base. This could be popsicle sticks taped together, or a piece of cardboard, or a paper plate. This should be sturdy enough to hold your objects.



A Lid Used for a Base

Step 2.

Arrange your objects on your base in a way that makes sense to you: by size, in a pattern, create a picture, etc.

Step 3.

When you have finished arranging your objects on your base, glue them down using WHITE LIQUID GLUE. An ADULT may glue them for you with a glue gun if you have one available.



Step 4 (OPTIONAL).

When your glue has dried, you may paint your creation all black or all white. ACRYLIC paint works best, but any other paint will be fine; you just might have to add a few more coats. If possible, an ADULT may spray paint the piece for you.

Did you use any materials that would normally go in the trash? What were they? How else can you use your creativity to save more objects from ending up in the landfill?