

Small Groups: Decorating Piñatas

Medium Support

Standards: CA.VA.PS.1 - 4



Materials:

- Hooray A Piñata!
- piñatas made in Small Groups
- colored tissue paper
- construction paper
- Feathers
- Collage material
- papier mache mixture: 1 part flour, 2 parts water, or, equal parts white glue and water
- glue brushes
- smocks
- gloves
- scissors

Vocabulary:

- decorate
- create: make something
- inspire: give someone an idea about what to do or make
- artist: someone who makes art
- adhere: stick something
- technique: a way to do something

Preparation: Set up materials.

Procedure: Show illustrations from Hooray A Piñata!

Model dipping colored tissue paper and/or construction paper in the piñata papier mache mixture and then adhering the paper to a piñata. Paint with tempera paint. Compare and contrast decorating piñatas to creating a collage.

- How is decorating your piñata similar to or different from decorating your piggy bank?
- How can we get the _____ (candy, surprises, treats) inside the piñata?
- Pinatas come in differents shapes and often look like an animal. What would you like your pinata to look like? How do you plan to do that?
- How could you document the process of decorating a piñata so you could teach it to somebody else?



