

Spring Collage

On a sunny spring day, chances are your kid would rather be outside than in. But if she's got a hankering for an art project that's perfect for the season (or needs an easy cure for winter blues), this spring collage is just right. Collages are great for impromptu art sessions because you can use virtually any material you've got on hand, from preschool staples like construction paper and felt to old magazines or cereal boxes. And don't forget to sneak in a little lesson on weather and the seasons while you're at it! Try our lesson plan [What Kind of Weather?](#) to introduce weather and seasons to young students.

What You Need:

- Construction paper
- Glue
- Scissors
- Collage materials (you can use recycled items such as newspapers, magazines, fabric, or cereal boxes or head to the craft store for materials such as craft foam, felt, and tissue paper)

What You Do:

1. Have your child choose materials that reflect the colors of spring in full bloom. Think blue skies, green leafy trees, a bright yellow sun. Encourage her to get creative with colors and textures, such as using a bit of white felt for clouds or shiny metallic paper for the sun.
2. Cut or tear the collage materials into smaller pieces.
3. Using the glue, help her assemble her collage by gluing the pieces onto a larger sheet of paper. Don't be afraid to overlap the pieces.

If the weather's a bit gloomier outside, try a rainy day collage instead. For more rainy day ideas, try our preschool science lesson [A Rainy Day Experiment](#).

