

# Grade 4 - Cubism



Shape

What do you see?



# Artistic Focus: Shape



Three Musicians, 1921, Picasso

**SHAPE** is a closed space made when a line connects to itself.

## Today's objective:

1. To become familiar and demonstrate their knowledge of Cubist abstract art.
2. To demonstrate proper care and use of watercolors and scissors.

**WA State Visual Arts Standard**  
When making works of art, utilize care for materials, tools, and equipment in a manner that prevents danger to oneself and others. (VA: Cr2.2.4)

# Pablo Picasso

- Lived in Spain
- Born 1881 – 1973
- Cubism was a truly revolutionary style of modern art developed by Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque in the early 1900's. They were bored with the conventional form of painting and wanted to do something fun and new.
- In Cubist artwork, objects are analyzed, broken up and reassembled in an abstracted form.
- A Cubist painting ignores the traditions of perspective drawing and shows you many views of a subject at one time.



# Artwork



The Weeping Woman, 1937, Picasso

# Artwork



Guitar on Pedestal, 1920, Picasso

# Example of Today's Project



# Materials

Paper towels



Watercolor set



Watercolor paper



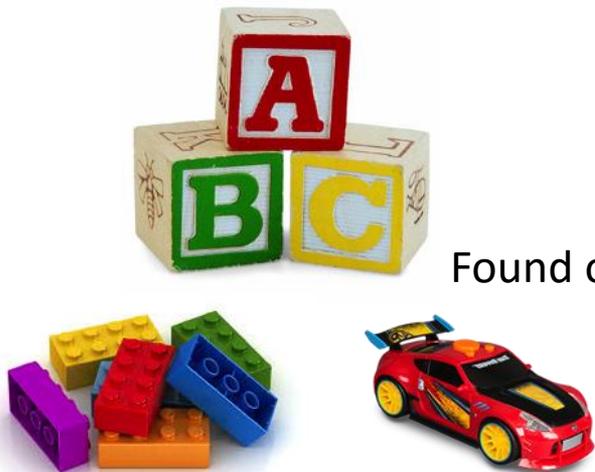
Black Sharpie



Pencil

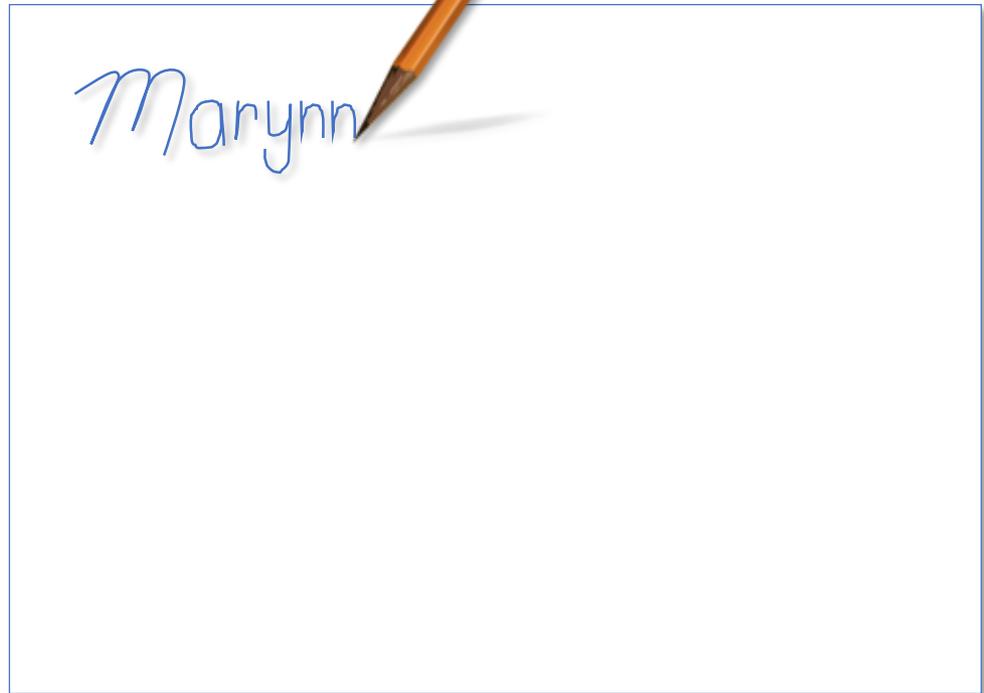


Found objects



# Before You Begin

1. Write your **name** in pencil on the **back** of the paper.
2. Flip over your paper.
3. **Roll up your sleeves!**



# Day 1: Step 1

Use an object from home... or pick one from around the classroom



## Step 2

- Sketch your object lightly with a pencil
- Go over your lines with a black Sharpie



# Step 3

- Pick a color you'd like to use
- Drop 5 drops of water into the paint well
- Make about 15 circular motions to mix the paint with the water
- Paint the area you've chosen
- Repeat until your picture is complete



# Artwork Needs to Dry

- Place your picture on a drying rack.
- This is the end of the first part of the lesson, since the painting will need to dry completely.
- During the second part of the lesson, we will cut up the painting to make a cubist piece of artwork.



## Part 2: Materials

Large colored tag board



Scissors



Glue



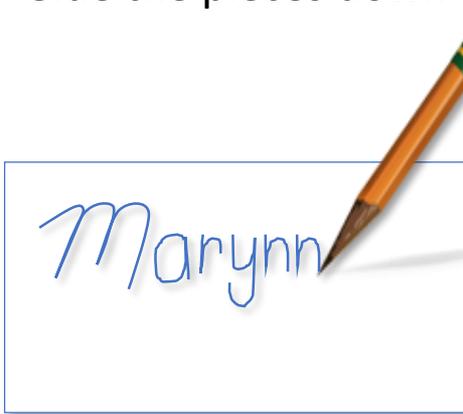
# Step 4

- Cut your watercolor picture into 8 to 10 large pieces
- Set aside



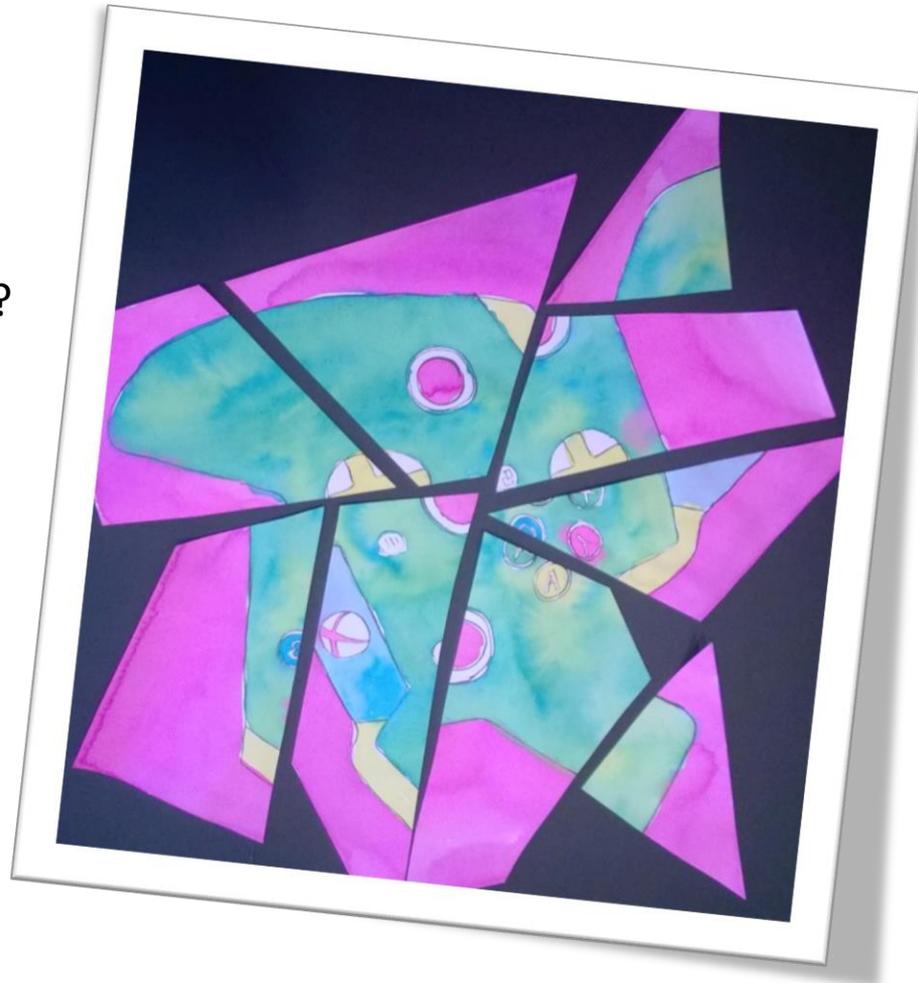
# Step 5

- Place the larger piece of paper on your desk
- Write your name on the back
- Rearrange the pieces
- Glue the pieces down



# Reflection

- What did you think of using watercolors?
- What did you think about the second part of the lesson?
- What was your favorite part of our project today?
- Can anyone guess what his/her object is?
- Would anyone like to share their art?



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