

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to create a Solar System art project using basic materials.

Materials and Prep

- Construction paper (various colors)
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers or colored pencils
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Reference materials on the Solar System (books or online resources)

Before starting the lesson, familiarize yourself with the names and characteristics of the planets in our Solar System.

Activities

1. Research and gather information about the Solar System using books or online resources.
2. Draw and cut out the Sun and all eight planets on different colored construction paper.
3. Label each planet with its name.
4. Arrange the Sun and planets in the correct order, starting with the Sun in the center.
5. Glue the Sun and planets onto a larger piece of construction paper to create a Solar System collage.
6. Use markers or colored pencils to add details and decorations to your Solar System collage.

Third Grade Talking Points

- "Did you know that the Solar System is made up of the Sun, eight planets, and many other objects like asteroids and comets?"
- "The Sun is the center of our Solar System. It is a huge ball of hot gas that gives us light and heat."
- "The eight planets in our Solar System are Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune. Can you remember their names?"
- "Each planet is unique and has different characteristics. For example, Earth is the only planet we know of that has life!"
- "When creating your Solar System collage, make sure to arrange the planets in the correct order from the Sun. Can you remember the order?"
- "Feel free to add your own creative touches to the collage. You can use markers or colored pencils to make the planets look more vibrant and interesting!"