

Make Your Own Magnet Activity

Follow the steps below to create your own magnets.



Before you begin, fill in your prediction at the bottom of the page for what you think may happen.

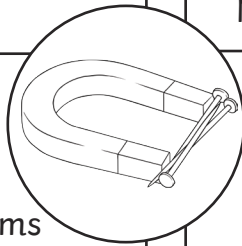
Did you know?

Magnetism can be passed from magnets to other magnetic items.

Objective: to magnetise the needles.

Equipment you will need:

- magnet
- 2 small needles
- some small magnetic items



Method:

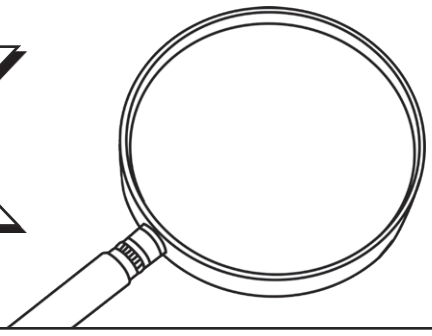
1. Holding the needle, rub the magnet along it in the same direction at least thirty times.
2. Repeat this with the second needle, being careful to use the same end of the magnet.
3. Test your magnetised needles on small magnetic items.

My prediction:

The actual results:

What I was most surprised by:

Around the House



Find something that is soft.

Find something that is hard.

Find something that is shiny.

Find something that is stretchy.

Find something that is
see-through.

Find something that is liquid.

Find something that is natural.

Find something that is bendy.

**Around the House
Scavenger Hunt**

Find something that is spiky.

Find something that is smooth.

Find something that is bumpy.

Find something that is rough.

Find something that is
waterproof.

Find something that is
made of metal.

Find something that is
made of wood.

Find something that is
made of rock.

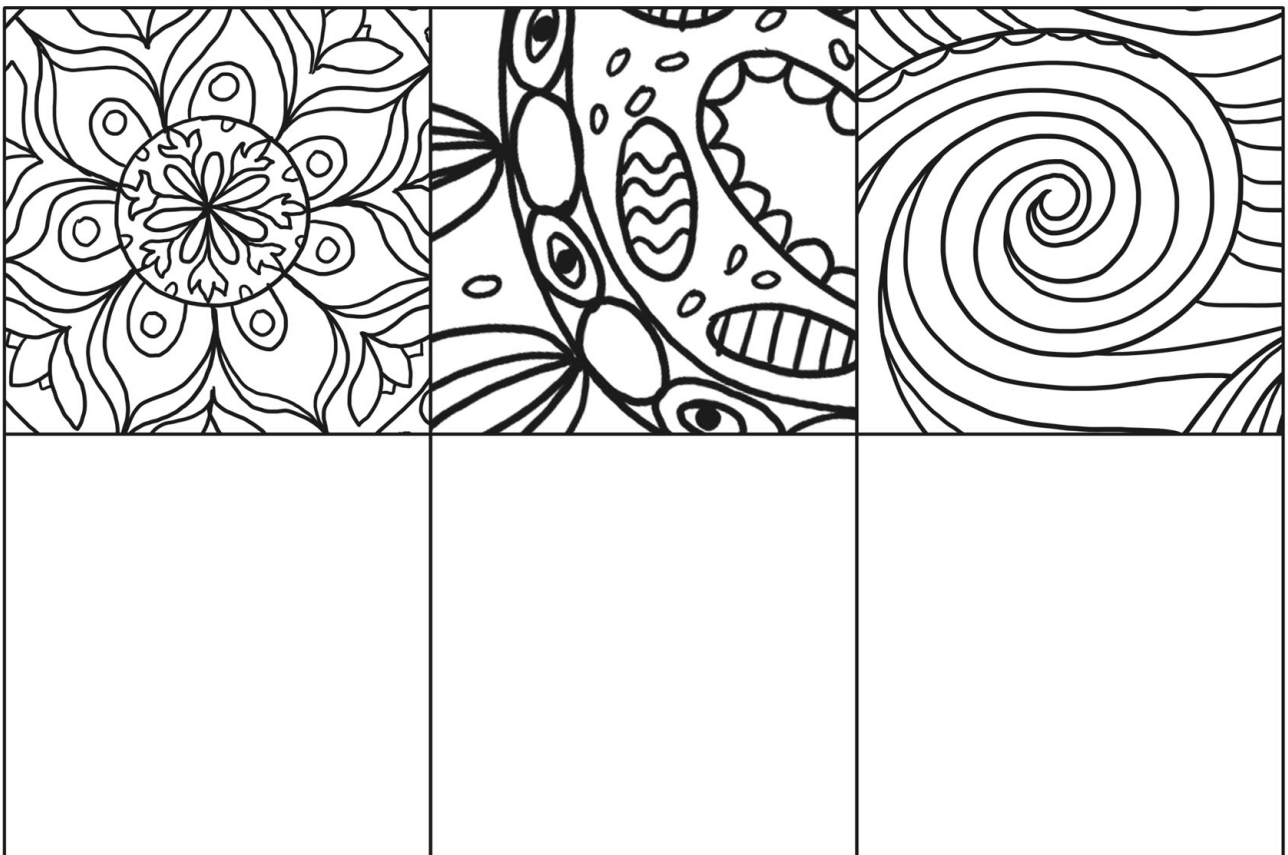
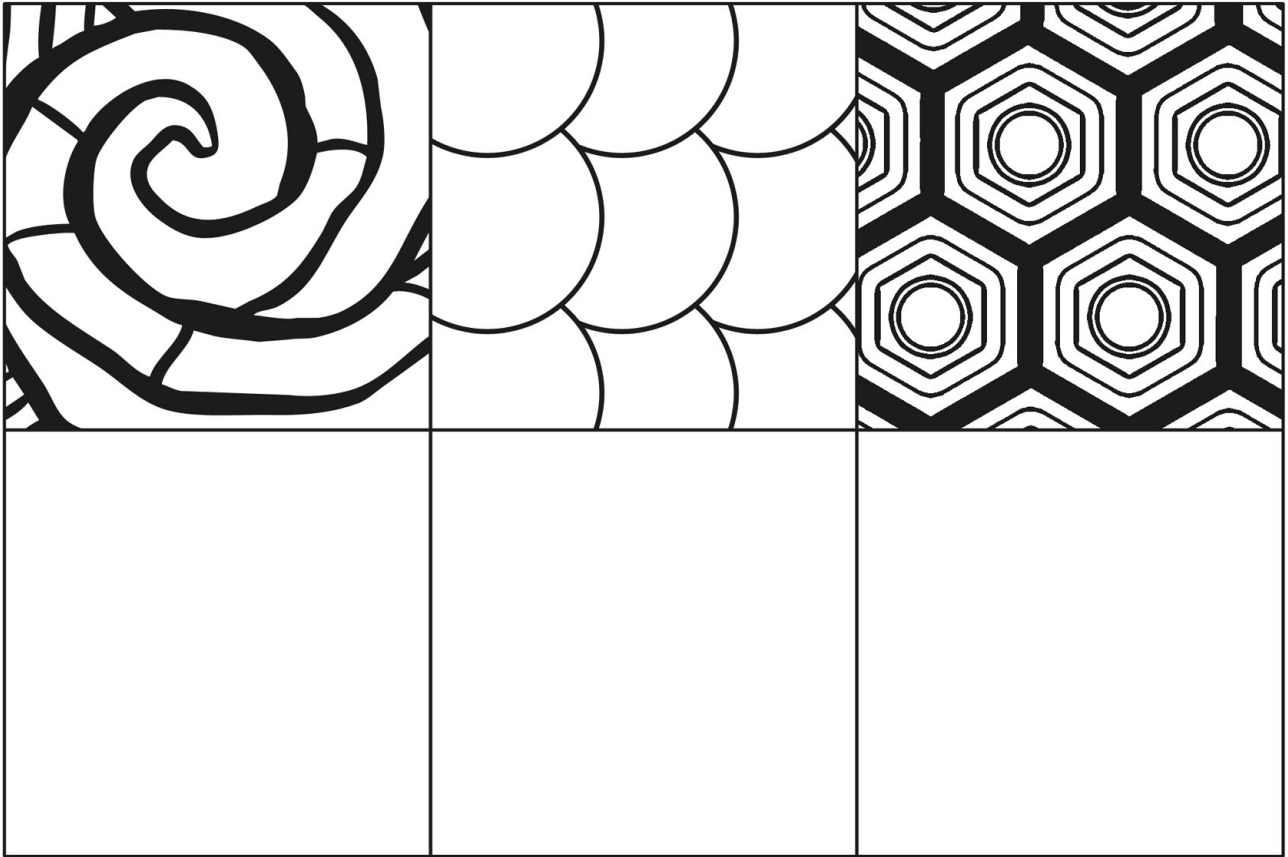
**Around the House
Scavenger Hunt**

Find something that is
made of glass.

Find something that is made
of plastic.

Find something that is made
of fabric.

Duplication Warm-up Drawing Exercises





Wassily Kandinsky

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Wassily Kandinsky

Wassily Kandinsky was
a Russian painter.
Many people think he was
the first abstract artist.



Abstract Painting
by Wassily Kandinsky

All about Wassily Kandinsky

(1866 - 1944)
Russian

Wassily Kandinsky was born in Russia, in 1866. When he grew up, he worked as a teacher at a university but it didn't make him happy.

When he was 30, he left his job and went to art school. He found art school easy and was very good at his studies.

Kandinsky thought a lot about what colours mean and how they make people feel. He believed that colours had a soul.



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He was the first painter to stop painting pictures of things and instead paint just using colours and shapes. He believed that this let him paint honestly about his feelings.

Often Kandinsky would listen to music while he painted and try to paint what he heard.

All the other painters we have found out about learned a lot from Kandinsky's ideas.





Red Spot II (1921)
by Wassily Kandinsky

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Improvisation 26 (Rowing) (1912)
by Wassily Kandinsky

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Colour Studies: Squares with Concentric Circles
by Wassily Kandinsky

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Looking at Abstract Art: Colour Studies: Squares with Concentric Circles (1913)



What do you see when you look
at this painting?

How has the painting been made?

What kind of colours does Kandinsky
use?

How would you describe these colours?

What shapes can you see?

What kind of lines can you see?

How do you think Kandinsky was
feeling when he painted this?

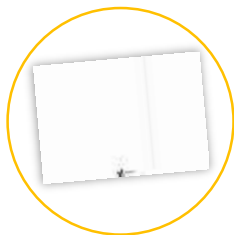
How does the painting make you feel?

Do you like it? Why?

Kandinsky Circle Painting



You will need...



A3 painting template



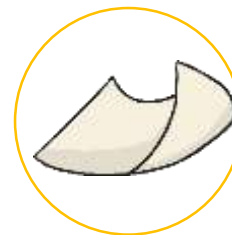
Paint in lots of colours



Brushes



Water



A rag

1. Experiment with mixing colours together. Use white to make them lighter, and black to make them darker. Practice until you have lots of colours that you like.
2. In each square of your template, paint a dot. Use a different colour for each one.
3. Remember: Swish, wipe and blot!
4. Round each dot, paint a circle in a different colour.
5. Round each circle, paint an even bigger circle in a new colour.
6. Finally, fill in any white space you have left in each square in another colour.

What a good circle painting looks like...



Kandinsky Colouring Sheet



Colour in the Wassily Kandinsky inspired shapes below. Consider which colours you will use. What colours did Kandinsky choose in his artwork?

