

Crayon Transfer Printing

Symmetry can be found in many places in the natural world, from architecture to quilts. Symmetry is usually associated with mathematics and more specifically geometry, but many examples of symmetry can be found in art as well.

M.C. Escher is one such artist that enjoyed using symmetry in his works. Examples of symmetry can be seen in his work *Drawing Hands* or any of his art featuring tessellations.

Students can experiment with symmetry with this easy and fun printing activity.



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Materials

- Ticonderoga Pencil
- Prang[®] Ambrite Paper Chalk
Including any of the following:
 - 51000—Set of 144
 - 53012—Set of 12
- Prang[®] Crayons
Including any of the following:
 - 00900—Set of 8
 - 32341—Set of 200 (Master Pack)
 - 32351—Set of 400 (Master Pack)
- Lightly colored construction paper
- Scrap paper



Directions:

1. Fold construction paper in half
2. Place scrap paper underneath construction paper to catch any chalk dust or crayon marks that may accumulate as you complete this activity.
3. Using a piece of Prang® Ambrite Chalk held sideways, liberally color the entire half of construction paper that is facing up.
Note: When your students are finished, you may want to allow them to carefully carry their scrap paper to the trash to throw away any excess chalk dust and then return to their seats with their scrap paper.
4. Using long strokes, color over the chalk using a Prang® crayon.
5. Reverse the folded construction paper so that the chalk/crayon is on the inside. Place your paper on table so the colored half is now inside but on top of the uncolored inside half.
6. Using Ticonderoga® pencil, create a design on half of your paper using thick lines. Remind students that the middle of their paper on the folded side will be the center of the design. For example, they could draw a semi-circle or a half a heart.
Note: Because this project works using pressure, let students know that they cannot use their eraser to erase. Encourage them to change their mistake to incorporate it into their design, if necessary.
7. Open up paper to reveal your design. If necessary, reclose and go over any lines to make them bolder.



Finished product



Step 3: Color the entire half of construction paper with Prang® Ambrite Chalk



Step 4: Color the over the chalk using a Prang® Crayon



Step 5: Create a design. The other side of the side you draw on should be your colored side.

National Standards

- Content Standard #1: Understanding and applying various media, technique, and processes
- Content Standard #2: Using knowledge of structures and functions
- Content Standard #6: Making connections between visual arts and other disciplines

Modifications

- Combine lesson with the study of the life cycle of butterflies. Create half a butterfly then open to reveal your full butterfly.
- Incorporate this activity into a curriculum about Space and the Universe.