LEARNING RESOURCE

'Drawing with nature'
Big Draw 2020

This activity encourages young people and adults to explore, with a fun and playful approach, how readily available natural materials that can be used for making and drawing. Through gathering materials and applying imagination, you will see how found materials can be repurposed and used as arts materials. Etching, collaging, drawing, and mark making are just some activities that you can explore.

What will I need for this project?:

Gather a mix of leaves, twigs, flower petals, other natural materials from your local park or garden

Pens, pencils, crayons

Paper - any size works

Glue or tape

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Step one:
Find your materials. Using a variety of natural materials will make this activity more fun. Try and find a big selection of colours.

Step two:
Whilst your gathering materials, take rubbings of textures. This can be done by choosing a texture you like, holding a blank piece of paper over it and shading the piece of paper with a pencil (you can also use crayons for this).

Step three:
Using your gathered materials and rubbings, you can start to create your drawings! You can do this by placing your materials onto sheets of paper and moving them around to create scenes, faces or patterns.
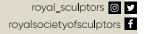
Step four:
Now that you have started to make your drawings, you can start sticking the materials down using glue or tape. Perhaps you would like to draw into your arrangements and add details?

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Step 5:
Play and Experiment!

Here are some of my experiments:

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