## Collecting, Arranging, Drawing

This activity for EYFS and SEND aims to help children develop their collecting skills. Students will curate their own collection by selecting objects and arranging them in a cardboard box. They will go on to draw their personalised collections. Children will end up with totally unique drawings, whilst experimenting with new materials and practising their hand-eye coordination.



#### To begin

Suggest some collection ideas for children to choose from. Here are some of our suggestions for collections:

- Favourite colours
- Favourite things
- Things I like
- Things which I have a story about

- Things which remind me of...

Once children have decided on the theme of their collection, give them time to collect between 5-10 objects. Once they have picked up their items they can start to arrange them in a box. Encourage students to be creative with their compositions. They may want to have objects interact with each other, arranged into a shape or have some objects stand and others lie down.



A collection of things I like

After children are happy with their arrangements provide them with a selection of different materials / papers.

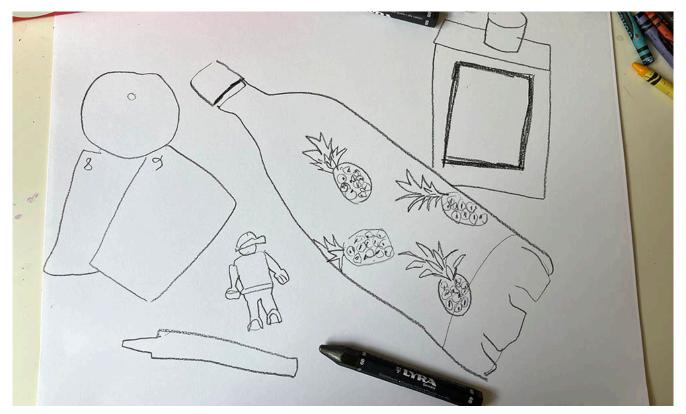


#### Materials:

- Graphite sticks
- Chalk
- -Wax crayon
- Felt tips
- Pencil Crayons
- •Poster paint

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Invite children to create observational drawings or paintings of the objects together in the box. Children may want to stand up whilst they draw so that they can see everything in their box.



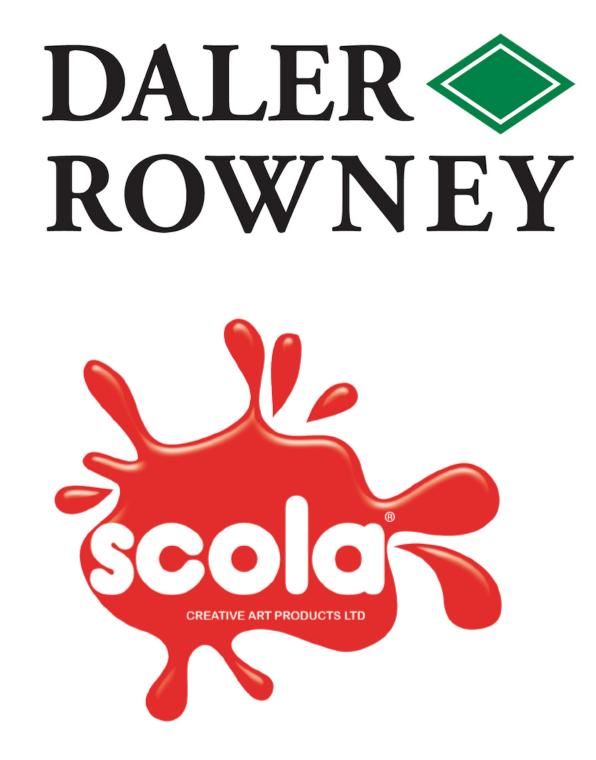
Encourage children to experiment with different materials - mixing them together, overlaying and blending.







Each child will end up with a drawing that says something about who they are and what they like. Can other children guess who's drawing is who's by looking at the objects in it?



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