

Miss Alaineus Art Projects

Notebook Paper Pictures



Debra Frasier made the pictures for *Miss Alaineus* out of materials she found in her daughter's fifth-grade desk—no fancy art supplies: just markers, notebook paper, pencils, glue, and scissors.

Try Debra's technique of coloring lined notebook paper for collages.



- 1) Find three to five sheets of lined notebook paper.
- 2) Color every other line a single color, one color to a page.
- 3) Cut out shapes for a collage. Mix the colors up! Use the direction of the lines to define the shapes. (Sometimes a small sketch can help clarify how the lines can add to the picture.)
- 4) Try choosing a word and defining it by picture only.



Create the Mis-Characters



- Look up the MIS-words in the dictionary. Draw costumes for your favorites.
- Misprint
- Mishap
- Mislead
- Etc.!

Make Your Own Costume Scrapbook



Have each child draw "photos" of him- or herself growing up with the word costumes they (might have) made for Vocabulary Parades.

Create scrapbooks, starting with kindergarten and continuing through other grades. See Sage's book at the end of *Miss Alaineus* for an example.

