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KS1 activity ideas – Art: make a crown

Learning objectives

Rubbish is made of materials that have different properties. You are going to explain why The Queen wears a crown and give pupils the chance to make their own crown using rubbish, to show them that you can create new items and objects by using rubbish.

Curriculum links

KS1 Art - use a range of materials creatively to design and make products.

Resources

- Crown sheet for each child (it is best if it is printed on thicker paper or card)
- Scissors
- Glue or sticky tape
- Shiny and colourful rubbish/litter

Class teacher needs to provide a bag of shiny and colourful rubbish/litter to use in the activities. This could be litter that the pupils have picked up during the litter pick, or rubbish that they have put in the class bins over the past week or even brought in from home. Some examples of rubbish could be crisp bags, sweet wrappers, leaflets, magazines, wrapping paper and sheets of paper that pupils have thrown away in class.

(Note: do not include glass bottles just in case they break. Compostable items such as apple cores and banana skins can be messy and/or smelly).



Activity ideas

Let your pupils know that The Queen wears a crown. Maybe look together for pictures of people in crowns online or in story books. Let the pupils know that they are going to use litter and rubbish to make their own crown.

Give each child a “Make your own crown” sheet.

Get the pupils to cut/tear the rubbish up into little bits. Pupils can select pieces of rubbish/litter from the ones the teacher prepared for the materials and counting activities.

Make your own crown.

- Cut the crown out
- Colour it in
- Decorate it by sticking on pretty bits of rubbish (choose the most shiny and colourful pieces of rubbish to decorate the crown).

