

"Mother and Child"

BUTTERFLIES PAINT & SWISH

(Print: "Mother and Child" by Picasso)

CURRICULUM CONNECTION: Science - insects Math-symmetry

ART CONCEPT: Primary colors, basic shapes and cutting tools
(EARLS Grade K # 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.2)

GRADE LEVEL: Grade K and up

MEDIUM: paint and cut & paste

TIME: Two work sessions separated by drying time. 10 -15 minutes paint time, 15 - 25 minutes cutting out the butterfly wings and making the body.

MATERIALS: Session 1

- Construction paper - white
- Tempera paint several colors
- Spoons

Session 2

- Strip of black construction paper of the same length as width of white paper.
- Paste or glue
- Scissors

PROCEDURE:

1. Fold the white construction paper in $\frac{1}{2}$ hamburger style.
2. Open the paper to flat position.

3. Using a small spoon drop penny size puddles of each color of paint next to the centerfold. One or two puddles out toward the corners help to create the wing shape. Refold the paper.
4. Use one hand to keep the paper in place. Put your other hand on the center of the fold. Press down as you push diagonally to the top outer corner. Do the same going from center to bottom corner. This process smears the paint, which becomes the wings.
5. Put paint along the center third of the fold line. This will be where the wings connect to the body.
6. Open! If by chance there wasn't a wide smear across the paper close it and push across again. You could add more paint if necessary.
7. Put paint along the center third of the fold line. This will be where the wings connect to the body.
8. Let dry opened, flat.

Session 2: Fold the painted paper with painted side out.

1. While the paper is folded cut around the painted areas to make wings. Do not cut on the fold where the wings join.
2. Draw and cut the black strip into a butterfly's body parts.
9. Paste the body onto the fold line where the wings join.
10. Some students may enjoy adding legs etc.
11. Display on a bulletin board in a free flight random pattern. Or, mount them on a dark blue or black piece of construction paper for each student.

