

# Papermaking

K-8

# Learning Objectives:

VA:Cr2.1.5a

Experiment and develop skills in multiple art-making techniques and approaches through practice.

VA:Cr2.2.6a

Explain environmental implications of conservation, care, and clean-up of art materials, tools, and equipment.

VA:Cr2.3.2a

Repurpose objects to make something new.

VA:Cr3.1.1a

Use art vocabulary to describe choices while creating art.

VA:Pr5.1.8a

Collaboratively prepare and present selected theme based artwork for display, and formulate exhibition narratives for the viewer.

VA:Re.7.1.5a

Compare one's own interpretation of a work of art with the interpretation of others.

VA:Re9.1.2a

Use learned art vocabulary to express preferences about artwork.

I can create art using recycled paper.

# Vocabulary

- **Deckle-** Screen contraption used to make pieces of paper from recycled goop. (Like a cookie cutter!)
- **Slurry-** Thin Wet Blended paper scraps.
- **Pulp-** Thick, wet blended paper scraps used to create new paper. (Like pulp in orange juice!)



# Materials:



- Towels,
- shredded or ripped paper scrap,
- blender,
- large empty plastic bin,
- deckles x5,
- drying rack,
- pencils (or markers)

You can add  
multiple colors  
to your paper!  
You just need  
two colors of  
slurry!



You can  
use all kinds  
of fun things  
in your  
paper pulp  
and slurry  
like leaves  
plants and  
more!

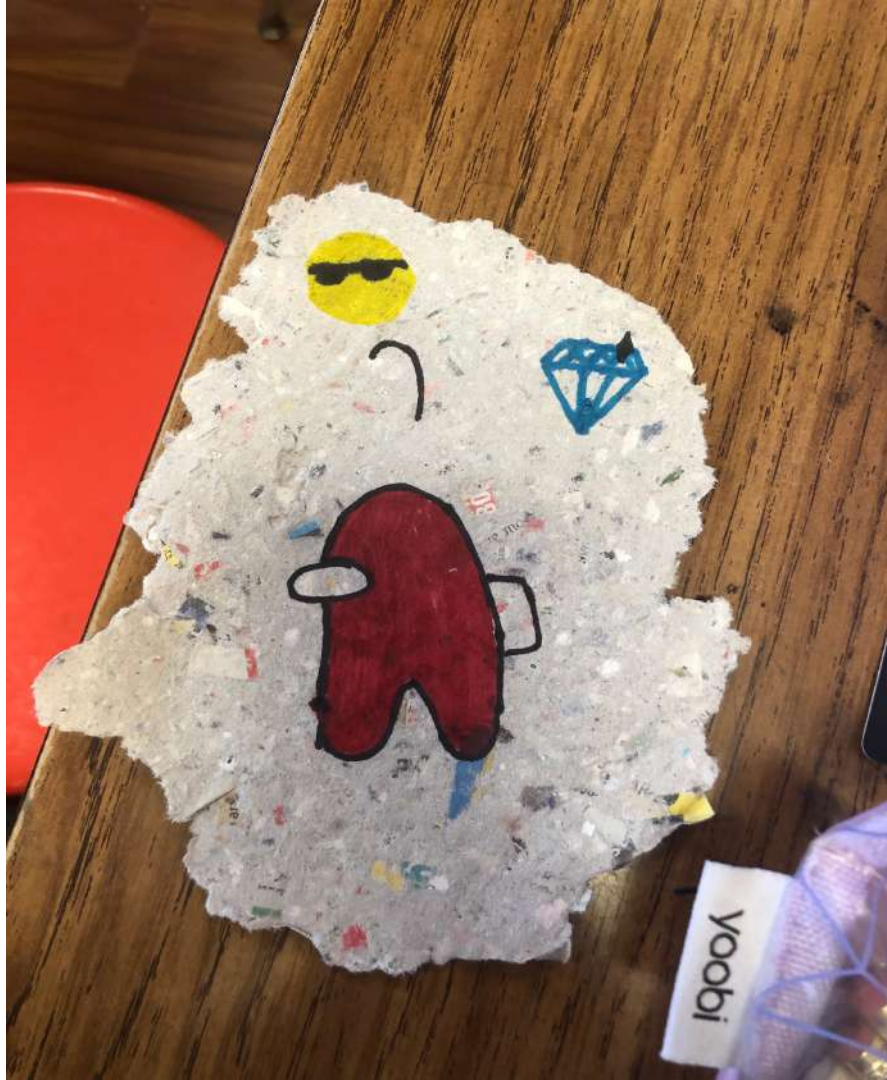


You can add  
glitter to your  
slurry!





You can  
decorate  
your paper  
when it is  
dry!



# Paper Making Station

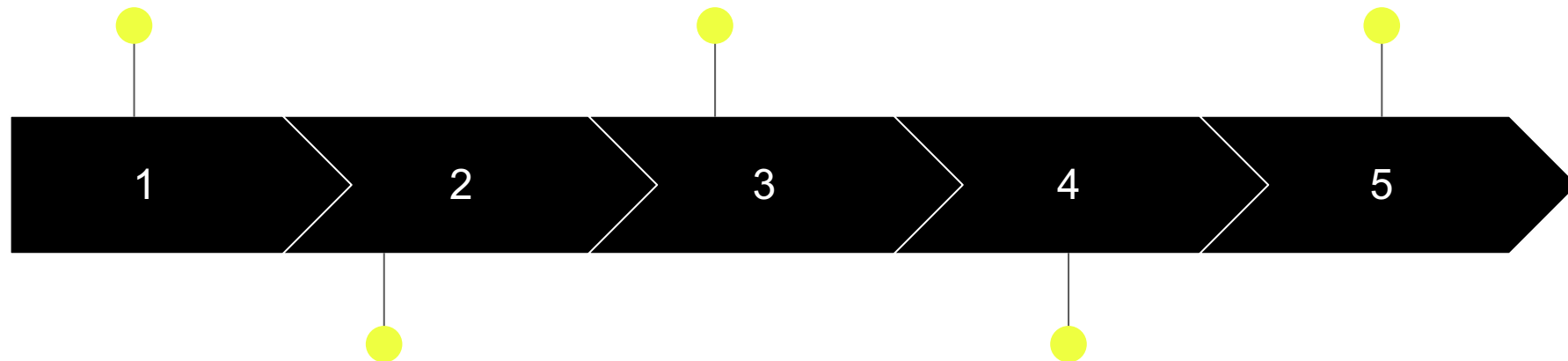


# Procedure

Intro to  
papermaking/Examples of  
Art made from paper.

Pulling Paper using  
deckles and leaving  
them out to dry

Class  
Discussion/Critique  
Activity



Scrap paper collection  
and pulp mixing

Reclaiming recycled  
paper to create new  
Art

Demo

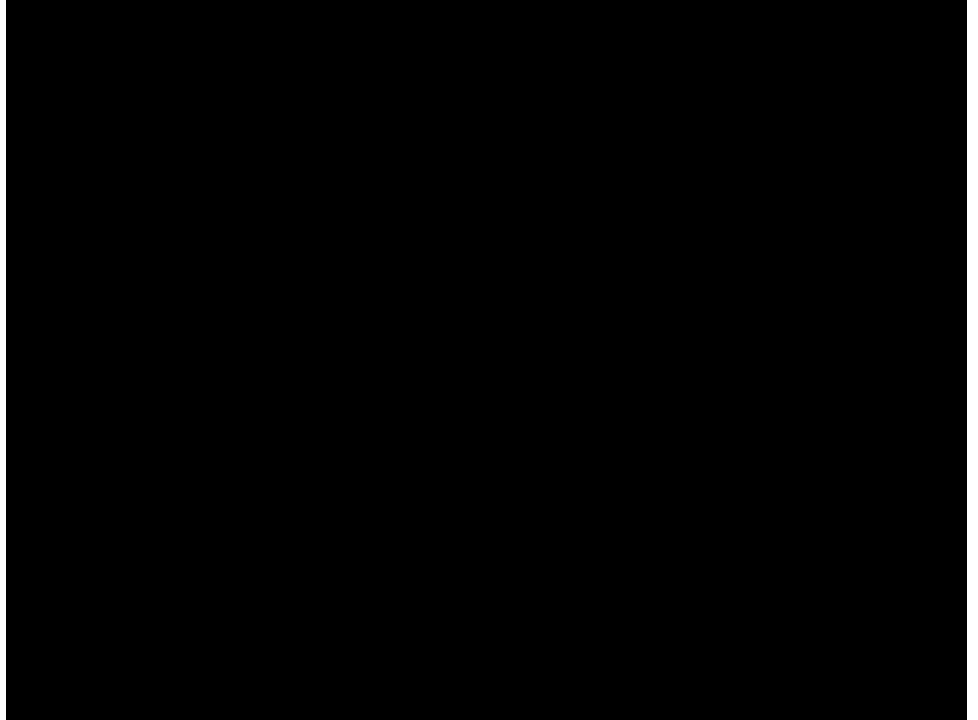
## Step 1

Soak Paper  
strips in  
bowls of  
water.



## Step 2

Put paper  
chunks in  
blender  
after  
soaking.



### Step 3

Add water  
to the  
blender.

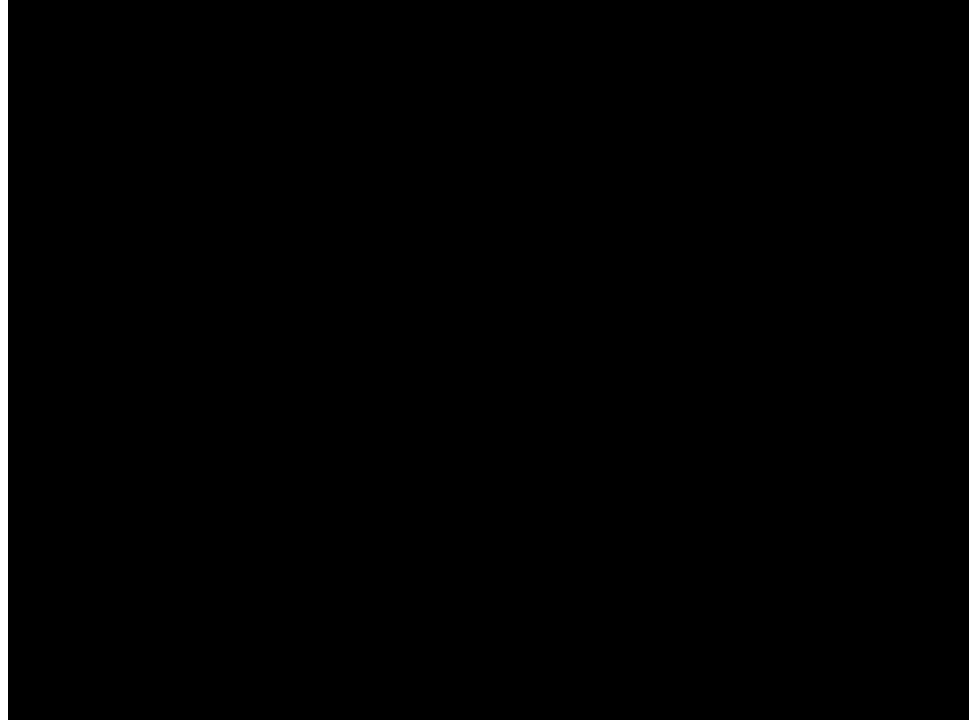




## **Step 4**

Blend it up!

You may need  
to repeat this  
several times  
and add more  
water.



## Step 5

Pour out  
Paper pulp  
and add  
water as  
needed.



## Step 6

Pour slurry  
into large  
tub or  
container.



## Step 7

Dunk Deckle  
and Screen  
into the slurry.  
Let all the  
water drain  
out



## **Step 8**

Plop the  
paper onto a  
towel,  
cardboard, or  
felt and let  
dry.



## Step 9

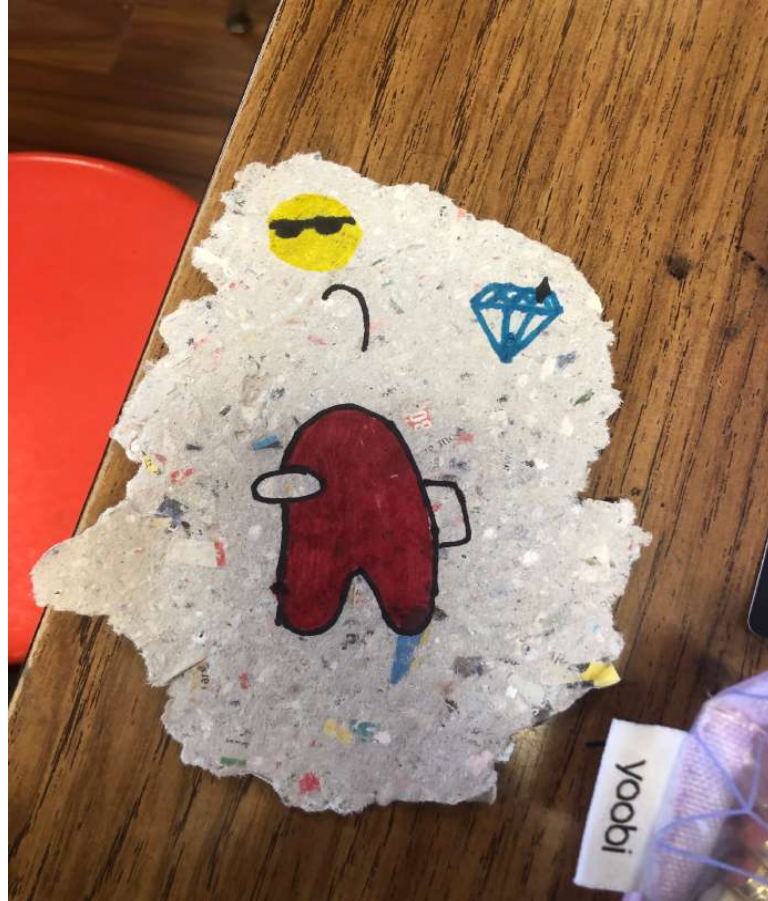
Prepare to paint or decorate paper. Paint works nicely! You may also use markers.





## Step 10

Let your  
project dry  
and enjoy  
the finished  
result!



Let's go create!