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# ASTR@NAUTS AND ALIENS



## **ACTIVITIES FOR HOME**



CRAFT SAFETY: Adult supervision is required for any arts & crafts project. Observe children closely and intervene as needed to prevent potential safety problems and ensure appropriate use of materials. Some craft items are potential choking hazards for young children. Avoid use of small parts with children ages 3 or younger. Read all manufacturers' warnings before using arts & crafts supplies.



## WATERCOLOR **BLOW ART**

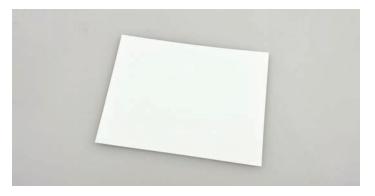
#### WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Non-toxic Watercolors
- Watercolor paper
- Straw
- Googly eyes · Safety scissors Brush
- Non-toxic markers • Non-toxic glue



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1. Start with a piece of watercolor paper.



3. Use a straw to blow at the watercolor to disperse it.



5. Wait for the painting to be completely dry then glue on the googly eyes.



7. Cut out your alien character.



Use watercolors and paint a spot in the middle of your paper sheet. Use water generously.



4. Fill in areas that look too faded with more watercolors.



6. Use markers to add details such as arms and legs.



## TISSUE PAPER BOX ALIEN

#### WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Empty tissue box
- Non-toxic paint
- Brush
- · Construction paper · Pencil
- · Safety scissors
- · Non-toxic glue

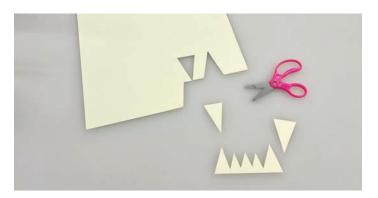


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1. Start with an empty tissue box.



3. Cut out the teeth from the construction paper.



5. Sketch out a cloud-like shape for the eyes.



7. Cut out 3 white circles and 3 black circles for the eyes of your alien.



2. Color the tissue box with paint. Apply multiple coats to achieve an opaque finish.



4. Glue the teeth to the opening of the tissue box.



6. Paint the shape in the same color as the tissue box.



8. Glue the eyes to the cloud-like shape.



9. Fold up the straight edge of the shape to use as a gluing edge.



10. Glue it to the tissue box to act as eyes.





## **PLANET PAINTING**

#### WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- · Construction paper · Safety scissors
- Non-toxic
  - Watercolors
- Non-toxic glue • White non-toxic paint • Watercolor paper

  - · Kraft or newspaper



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1. Start with watercolor paper, brushes, watercolors and some water.



2. Choose a base color for your planet, and paint a circle.



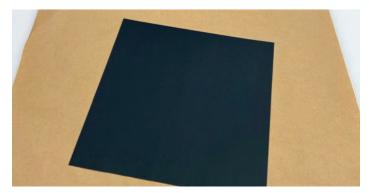
3. Mix in different colors to create a pattern.



4. Try different colors and different patterns to create a variety of planets.



5. Let the watercolor painting dry.



6. While the watercolors are drying, get a black piece of construction paper. Use kraft paper or newspaper as a splatter guard.



7. Use a brush and white opaque paint to splatter on little dots to create stars. Let the paint dry.



8. When the watercolor-painted planets have dried, cut them into circular shapes.



9. Glue the planets onto the black piece of construction paper.