

Strand Unit: Clay

The Big County Fan

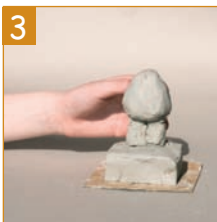
Materials -
modelling clay, modelling wire, clay, modelling tools, paint and paintbrushes.



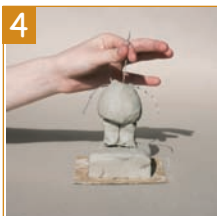
STAGE 1
Make a rectangular base of clay as shown. Stick two pieces of modelling wire into the base to support the figure.



STAGE 2
Stick pieces of clay around the wires from the base up to form the two legs. Smoothen using a modelling tool.



STAGE 3
Stick longer pieces of clay above the legs around the wire to form the torso. Shape with fingers to form a big belly.



STAGE 4
Stick modelling wire into the top of the body to support the head and two pieces of modelling wire into the shoulders to support the arms.



STAGE 5
Press clay around the wires to form the arms and head and again press the general shape with the fingers and smoothen using a modelling tool.



STAGE 6
Insert small pieces of wire into the face of the figure to hold the beard and hat in place.



STAGE 7
Pierce two eye-socket holes into the head using a pointed clay modelling tool. Roll two small pieces of clay into the eyeballs.



STAGE 8
Place the eyeballs into the sockets and pinch a small piece of clay onto the face to form a nose and blend in using a modelling tool.



STAGE 9
Allow the model to dry and paint it. When the paint has dried, place cotton wool around the wires of the face to form a wild fuzzy beard.

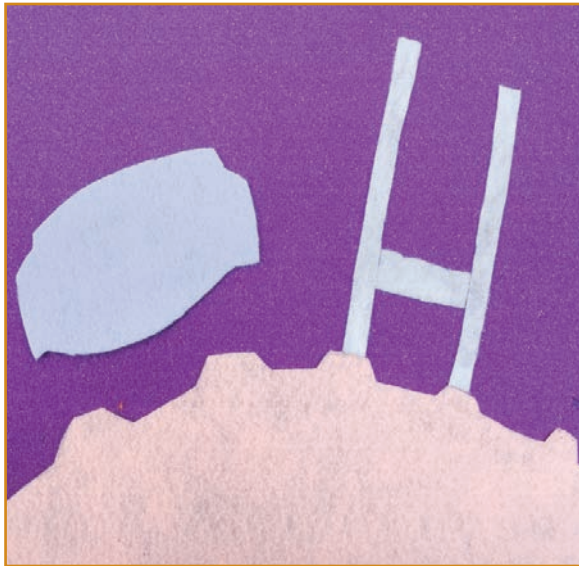


Strand Unit: Fabric

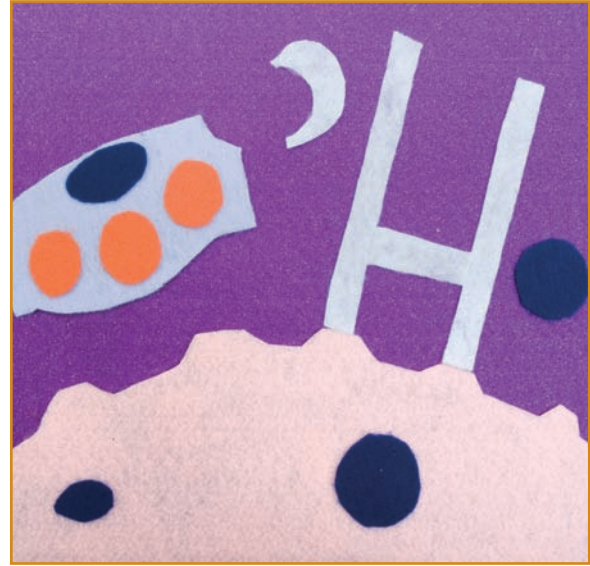
Inter Galactic
Gaelic Players

Materials -
Assorted colours of felt material, scissors, PVA glue.

Is there life out there in other planets? What would aliens get up to? Would they like to copy earthlings and play a bit of Gaelic Football? Why not create your own inter galactic Gaelic players!



1. Cut a planet shape out of a light colour, a spaceship and goalposts and stick these onto a dark background eg. purple, using PVA.



2. Add some details. e.g. lights on the spaceship, a crescent, dark circles for craters and a dark circle for planet Earth.



3. Cut out an impression for your favourite alien and stick one onto the spaceship and one on the planet.



4. Add the final touches. Cut out small pieces of felt for the eyes and brighten up the sky with a few stars.

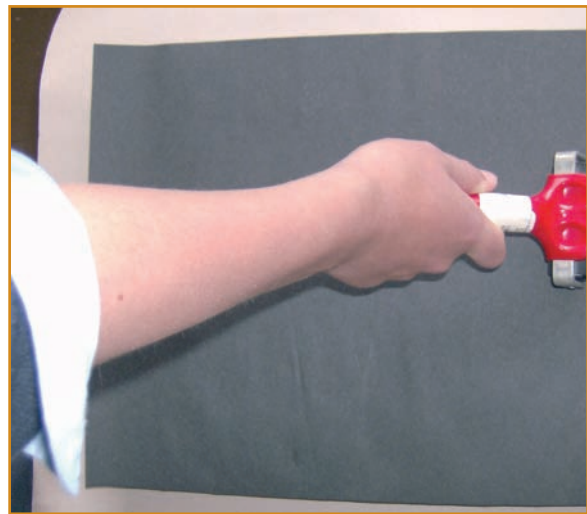


Strand Unit: Print Colourful Sliotar Monoprint

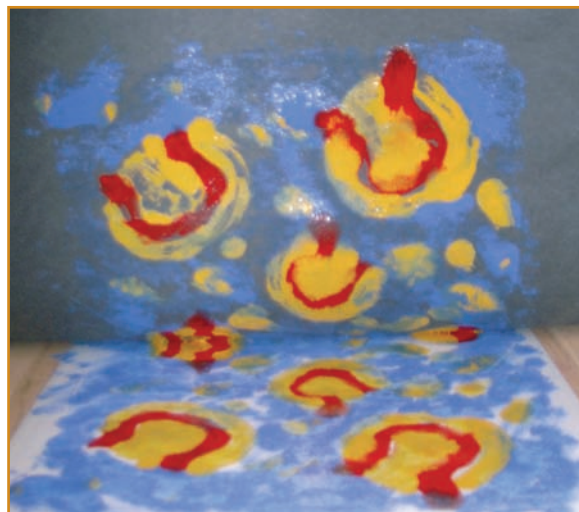
Materials -

block printing paints, wooden board, paintbrushes, black paper, roller (if you have no wooden board just sellotape some acetate onto a desk).

All colours look really bright on a black background. Instead of making a monoprint of white sliotars, why not see how bright abstract colours look on black. You can try your own colour combinations! Remember to use block printing paints as these are thick and tacky and show up really well.



1. Paint the required design onto the wooden board (or acetate sheet). Pick bright colours and leave tiny gaps between the colours to stop them running into each other.
2. Place the black paper carefully onto the wooden board. Press the black paper with the roller to transfer the paint onto the paper.



3. Catch the edge of the black paper and slowly peel it off the wooden board to reveal the print.
4. Now look at your colours and how sliotars can look much brighter now. Why not try your own designs and experiment with different colours.



Strand Unit: Paint

Some Fans Won't Go Away

Materials -
White paper, paint and paintbrushes..

In the Winter, while the players rest in the warm indoors, some fans eagerly await a new season. Meet the snowman and robin fans.



- Using a large paintbrush and only a tiny bit of paint, draw the impression of a snowman and robin beside each other.
- Paint in the sky surrounding the figures, the white of the snowman, the brown of the robin and a cap on the snowman.



- Again using only a tiny bit of paint, paint shadows on the snow and snowman under the cap, eyes, nose, mouth, scarf, buttons and base of the snowman.
- Now paint the smaller details of the figures in and paint on a goalpost to show that they are waiting eagerly for a new season to start!

