

# Heart picture frame

Age: 8-11 Group size: 15

Duration: 40 mins & 25 mins



Preparation time: 20 mins

## Resources

- Thin cardboard – cereal boxes etc
- Heart template  
12cmsx11cms
- Rectangle template  
19.5cmsx6.5cms
- Pva glue
- White & coloured paint
- Newspaper
- Collage scraps
- Glitter
- Pens
- Scissors
- Pictures or photographs
- Sticky tape
- Clothes pegs



## Preparation

Cut the cardboard into rectangles 12cms x22cms. These will form the frame. You will need rectangles the same size as the rectangle template to make the prop for the frame. Make enough heart shaped templates for one each and enough prop templates for one between two. You will need one page of newspaper per group of three. The clothes pegs act

as clamps and each frame will need about 5.

## Activity

Fold the large rectangle in half along the long side so that when closed the front measures 11cms wide and 12cms tall. Put the heart template on it so that the left edge touches the fold line. Draw around the heart and cut out but not where it touches the fold.



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Take the picture or photograph and draw another heart shape around the subject to go in the frame. It should be about 7cms at the widest point and 9cms at the highest.

Close the card heart and put the picture onto the front in the centre. Draw around the picture.



Cut through the front of the frame and around the heart shape to make the space for the picture. Make sure that the picture can be seen through the aperture you have made, then draw around it so that you will know where to glue it at the end. Take the picture away to keep it clean.



Take a sheet of newspaper and tear off little strips. Glue around the front edge of the frame and cover the frame with the paper, making sure that you cover the cut where the middle was removed.



Take the rectangle template, draw around it and cut it out. Fold it into a triangle where each side is 6.5cms. Use tape to keep the triangle rigid. Glue the prop to the back of the frame.

Turn the frame over and paint the newspaper white. Leave the frame to dry.

When the frame is dry apply the top colour. After a few minutes it should be dry enough to add glitter, sequins etc. Carefully open the frame and glue the picture inside. Glue around the edge of the picture and close the frame. Use the pegs to keep the frame closed while the glue is drying.

