

INTRO

WHAT IS A MOSAIC?

Here at Ontario's Legislative Building, there are beautiful patterns in the floors, walls, windows and ceilings. The building's west wing floor is covered in a detailed tile pattern, which is called a "mosaic."

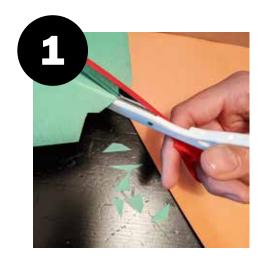
ABOVE: THE WEST WING

RIGHT: CLOSE-UP OF THE MOSAIC TILE FLOOR IN THE WEST WING





ACTIVITY STEPS







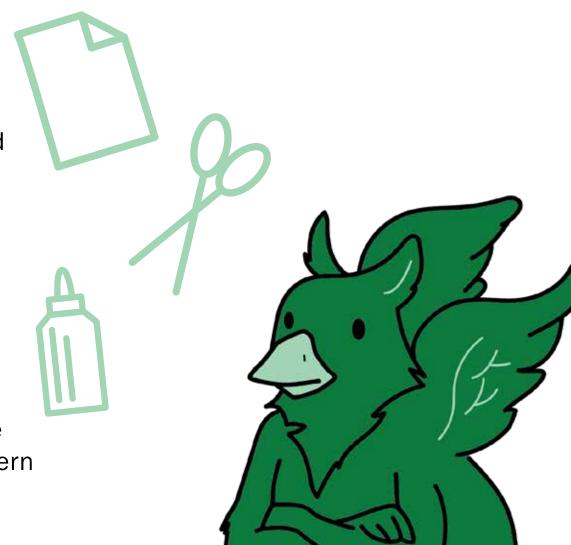


WHAT YOU'LL NEED

For this activity, it helps if you have:

 regular paper, or coloured construction paper

- scissors
- glue
- a parent or guardian to help
- optional: print one of the attached templates as the base of your mosaic pattern



STEP 1

MAKE YOUR TILES

Cut small and medium pieces of your coloured construction paper or regular paper. If you don't want to use scissors, you can also try tearing away small pieces by hand.



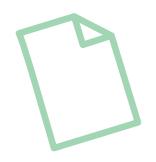
RIGHT: CUTTING SMALL PIECES
OF PAPER FOR TILES



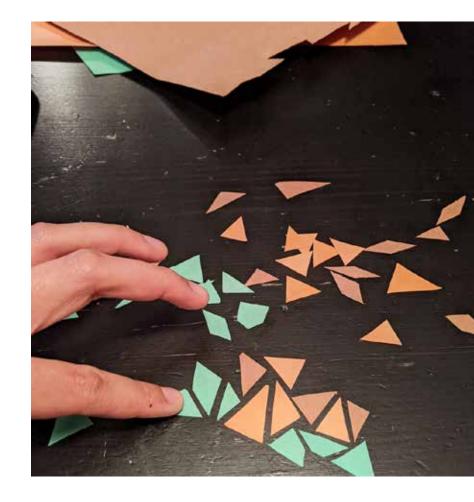
STEP 2

ARRANGE YOUR TILES

You can arrange your tiles into larger shape groups, in lines, or by colour groups.



RIGHT: ARRANGING THE PAPER TILES



STEP 3

GLUE YOUR TILES

Glue your tiles to one of the templates provided or create your own design by using a larger sheet of paper to keep your beautiful pattern in place.



RIGHT: GLUING THE TILES TO ANOTHER PIECE OF PAPER



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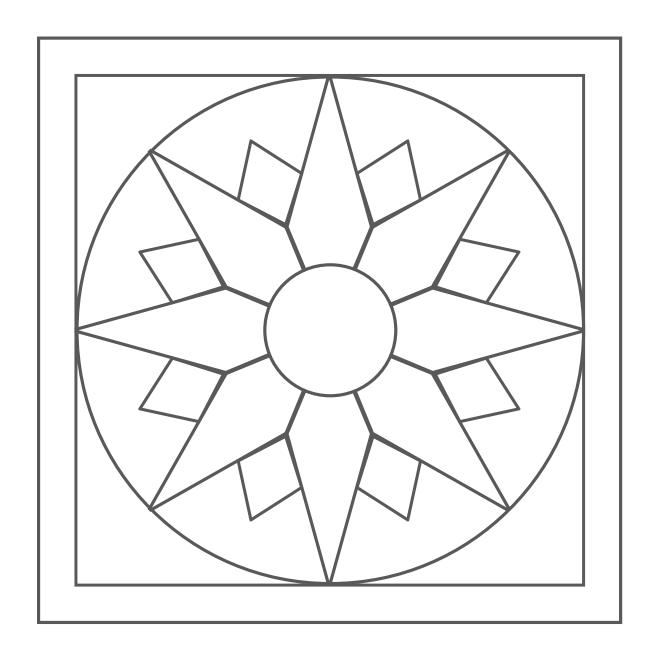
WHEN YOU'VE FINISHED

Take a picture of your mosaic and share it with us! Ask a parent or guardian first and post your finished masterpiece to Twitter or Instagram with the hashtag #qpkids!

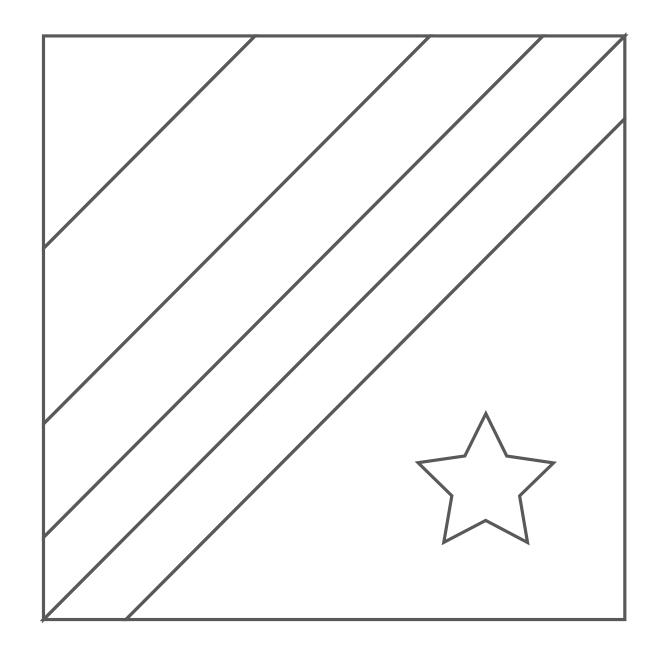
ABOVE: EXAMPLES OF FINISHED MOSAIC CRAFTS



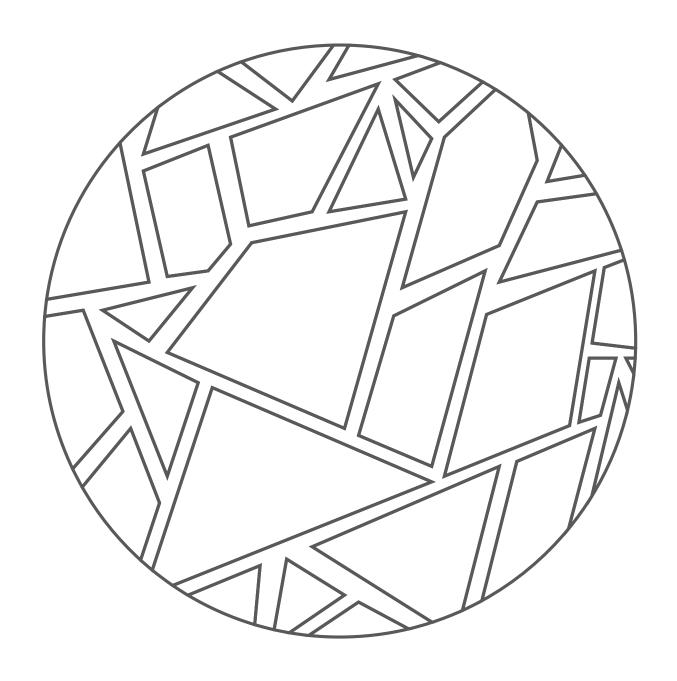




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