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Experimenting with "Media" Introduction

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One of the vocabulary words we are exploring while doing our animal project in school is "**Media.**"

"**Media**" is the word for the supplies you use to make a work of art.

For example, if you use crayons to make a work of art, then the "**media**" you used would be crayons.

Some forms of "**media**" we often use to make art include the following:

Crayon

Paint

Colored Pencils

Clay

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Experimenting with Media Assignment!

There are many kinds of "**media**" you can use to create a work of art (examples: crayon, marker, paint)

However, there are also many different ways to use a single form of "**media.**"

For example, I can experiment with color, shading, and layering to create many different sorts of images or designs on a piece of paper, all while using one type of media (for example, crayons.)

Assignment:

Create a self portrait on 8"x11" paper, using one type of an available "media" (colored pencils or crayons or pens or paint, etc). Use this one "media" to experiment with shading, color, and layering! *Note that markers are one supply or "media" that may not work well with this assignment.

The purpose is to explore the different ways you can use one type of supply or "media" to create different effects in art! This should take about a half hour. If you finish early make a portrait of someone else in your house (you can also do an animal or a pet if you would like!)

*You only need two colors of the "**media**" you choose for this activity (so two different colored pens, or two different colored crayons, or two different color pencils for example!) Using more colors is optional.

To see the different ways you can use one type of "media" in your self portrait, please do each of the things listed below at least once in your piece of artwork!

Shading: ~Press lightly in some areas to create light areas of color

~Press harder in some areas to create darker areas of color

~In at least once place in your artwork, experiment with **layering**. Press down lightly to color an area lightly. Afterwards, press down harder to draw a darker image or design on top of this lighter area you colored in (for example, you could draw your hair as a lighter area of color first, and then draw darker lines over top of it….think of ideas like this and be creative!)

Color: ~ Use two or more different colors in your artwork

~In at least one place in your artwork, experiment by **layering** the colors on top of each other!

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