LET’S CREATE AN ASSEMBLAGE!

Did you know that some artists create sculptures using only found or recycled objects? This is called creating an assemblage. Assemblage is when artists combine multiple objects into one unified sculpture. It may look like a random combination of objects, but artists think about balance, color, and unity when creating an assemblage.

Have you ever thought of using recycled objects to create art? Ask your parents to help you find recycled objects for this project.

GATHER YOUR MATERIALS:

1. Large piece of cardboard to use as a base
2. Scissors
3. Glue or masking tape
4. Paint (one color)
5. Paintbrush
6. Recycled materials such as toilet paper rolls, magazines, cereal boxes, Styrofoam, yarn, or milk containers

1. Gather your recycled objects and think about how you would like to combine them. You can use your scissors to cut and change the size or shape of your materials.

2. Cut a large piece of cardboard into a square that will serve as the base of your sculpture.

3. Starting with the bottom of your assemblage, connect your first pieces to the square cardboard base.

4. Continue building your assemblage by adding and connecting objects to one another using glue or masking tape.

5. Use paint to add a solid color to your assemblage.

You have used recycled objects to create an assemblage!