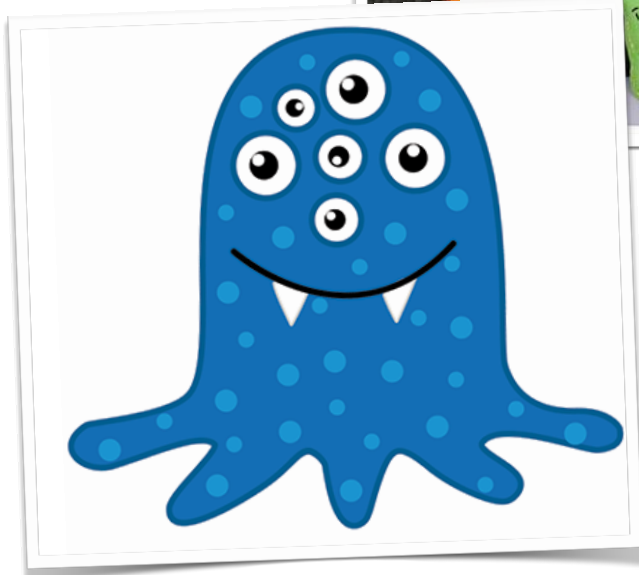


Monster Design Lab

Bring Your Own Monster to Life!



Monster Design Lab Lesson Plan

Students Will Be Able To:

- Identify sewing as an art form
- Explore character development in writing and visually
- Practice basic form sketching, patterning and transferring
- Execute 5 different sewing techniques (running stitch, whipstitch, cross-stitch, blanket stitch and button stitching)
- Differentiate between 2-D and 3-D forms

Materials:

- Blank paper
- Colored felt
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Pins
- Sewing needle
- Thick thread
- Buttons
- Cotton balls or polyester stuffing
- Sharpie or marker

Lesson Sequence:

- 1. We will start by filling out our Monster IDs! Feel free to keep a piece of paper next to you if you feel the impulse to sketch while getting to know your monster. Once the ID is filled out, place it to the side so you can refer to it while sketching!**
- 2. Now we will begin sketching! Start by tracing the piece of felt you will be using so you know how big you can make your monster, Next start exploring different shapes for the body, where the button eyes will be place and what accessories or details you may like to add. (Video of my process available for this step and the following assembly steps)**
- 3. Cut out the sketch of your monster and pin it to the two pieces of felt you have selected to be the front and back of your monster. The front and back can be the same or different colors. Once secured, cut out the shape of your monster from the paper pattern you created from your sketch.**
- 4. Unpin the monster and pull the two pieces of felt apart like you are opening a book. Mark the inside of both pieces with an “x” lightly in Sharpie so they know not to attach any pieces on those sides, as this will be the inside of the stuffed monster.**
- 5. Grab the felt piece for the front of the monster and make sure the marked x is facing away from you. We will now attach the button eyes using the sewing technique learned in the video**
- 6. Next we will attach our accessories using the running stitch and whipstitch, at least once each, as demonstrated in the videos.**

- 7. Once our monster is complete with detail on the front piece, we will place it on top of the other piece and use our blanket stitch to seal most of the monster. Leave an opening at the bottom for the stuffing and don't cut your thread at this point.**
- 8. Now stuff your monster and continue the blanket stitch to seal the monster closed. We did it!**