

## Activity: Textile Collage

This activity demonstrates to the students one of the ways in which textiles/waste items can be re-used. A lot of textile waste ends up in landfills all over the country. This is avoidable as there are lots of interesting ways to re-use worn and old textiles. In this activity, pieces of fabric will be used to create a collage. Alternatively, students can use items of (clean) litter such as magazines, newspaper, plastic, sweet wrappers to make their collages

**Age suitability:** The activity can be adapted to suit classes from Junior infants to 6<sup>th</sup> class

### Materials

- A4/A5 size cardboard covered with plain fabric
- Fabric, wool
- OR scrap paper, wrapping, sweet wrappers, plastic
- PVA glue
- String
- Paint brushes, table cloths

### Methods

1. Cover a piece of stiff cardboard in a plain piece of fabric.
2. Cut up pieces of fabric into nice shapes and using glue stick them onto the covered cardboard.
3. You can make a themed collage, such as an underwater scene. For this you can use blue fabric to cover the cardboard and cut shapes of fish and other marine life to stick on.

