

Childe Hassam was one of the America's leading Impressionist painters. Hassam created an entire series of paintings using props in front of windows. Imagine being in the room with the fishbowl. Imagine what the fish look like. Now create either fish in the bowl or a fish you'd like to add to the bowl.

More about this painting can be found [here](#).

Childe Hassam, The Goldfish Window, 1916. Oil on canvas 34 3/8 in. x 50 5/8 in.

Activity: Clownfish with 3D Fin

Materials:

- pencil
- scissors
- glue or tape
- white paper and construction paper
- paintbrush
- black, white, and orange paint

Directions:

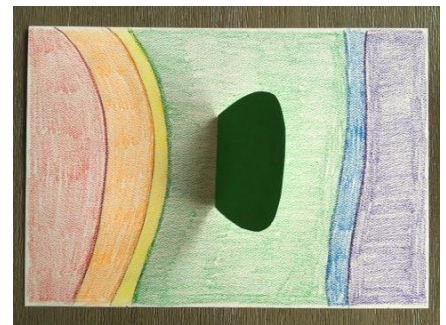
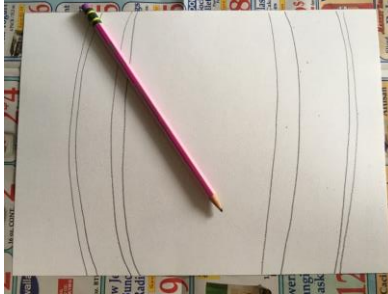
- Use a pencil to draw lines on your paper for the different sections of color that appear on a clownfish: horizontal stripes of black, orange, and white. Don't want to do a clownfish? No problem, draw the lines or scales of a different fish.
- Use your paint to fill in the different areas with color, filling your whole page, and set aside to dry.
- Cut a shape out of the colored paper to represent a fin; this could be a triangle, oval, rectangle, or another shape.
- Make a fold on one end of the fin and add glue or tape to the area that is folded under, then attach this to the painting so the unglued portion sticks up off the page.

Tips:

- Experiment with different colors and different materials, such as crayon or marker, to make different types of fish. These can be based on fish that exist in nature or in your own imagination.
- You can either have your fish take up the entire page (so it looks like a close up of a fish's fin or cut out a fish shape. (See examples below.)

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