



Inspired by the story *Where is the Frog?* and the work of Claude Monet we will be creating paintings using tape and cling film/Saran wrap.

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Claude Monet, The Bridge at Bougival, 1869. Oil on canvas, 25 ¾ in. x 36 3/8 in., Currier Funds.

Activity: Bridge painting

Materials:

- Paper
- Paints (thicker paints such as acrylic will work best for this project)
- Something to put paints on (palette, piece of cardboard, another piece of paper)
- Cling film/Saran wrap
- Tape (masking or painters tape works best without sticking to your paper)
- Scissors
- Something to clean your hands such as paper towels, baby wipes or a rag

Directions:

- Take your tape and create the design of a bridge. You can use a pencil if you want to sketch out the design first. Make sure that you fully press down your tape to your paper so the paint will not leak under.
- Cut up some 4 to 5 strips of cling film/Saran wrap from the roll.
- Bunch up the cling film/Saran wrap to use it like a sponge. Pick up the color from your
 palette by dabbing the cling film/Saran wrap onto the surface. Try not to use too much
 paint.
 - When changing colors, grab a new strip of cling film/Saran wrap
- Continue to dab around your paper until you have covered the whole surface with color.
- Once your painting has dried completely, take off your tape and enjoy your beautiful Monet inspired painting.

Tips:

- This is a messy project. Use your paper towel to wipe your hands in between changing colors!
- Remember to think about your colors, if you paint warm and cool colors on top of each other when they're both wet you will end up with a lot of brown!
- Don't overthink! Allow yourself to let go and be creative.
- Try experimenting with the size of your cling film/Saran wrap bunch to get different shapes and patterns.

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