

## MAGIC MAKE

### A short intro from Ed

This week is inspired by nonsense poetry and illustration. Ed shares some of his favourite nonsense poetry and then guides us through making short 'magical transformation' poems, painting with coffee and making characters from scrap cardboard.

### Materials needed

Paper, pencils and/or pens, instant coffee, masking tape, scissors, glue, scrap cardboard, toilet paper or tissue. Paint brush helpful but not essential.

### What's involved

We will be:

- writing short poems based on transforming everyday objects into animals, using a simple poem-structure on the film.
- Painting with coffee: creating surprising shapes and patterns by painting with coffee on wet paper. We then draw on the shapes to create characters
- Creating characters with scrap card by chopping up card into random shapes and seeing what characters the shapes suggest.

### Handy tips or useful links

- Don't plan what you're going to create with any of these activities. It's all about playing and experimenting. And follow the instructions carefully on the films!
- Some more activities from Ed: <https://edboxall.co.uk/corona-home-school-activities/>
- Find some poems online by these poets if you like:
- Edward Lear: <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/edward-lear>
- Spike Milligan: <https://www.poemhunter.com/spike-milligan/>
- Here's a great reading of a Dr Seuss book:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tgMsmyenj6k>

**DRAWING DATE: Nonsense Worlds**

**Short Intro** Make drawings of weird and wonderful nonsense worlds by drawing round objects!

**Materials Needed** Pencil or pen, paper, a selection of small objects that to draw round- keys, clothes pegs, cutlery etc

**What's involved?** Draw round the objects and see what characters and places they become.

**Handy tip** Don't plan your drawing just see what happens as you go.

## AWESOME ARTIST

### Who is the artist?

Dr Seuss!

### Short Intro

Dr Seuss was an American poet and illustrator who created nonsense characters and strange worlds. His books were also usually very positive and uplifting. One of his most famous books is The Grinch that is also a brilliant Christmas film.

### Useful links to see or hear their work

#### The official Dr Seuss website, full of other activities:

<https://www.seussville.com/>

A guy call Wes has been doing lots of Dr Seuss books as raps during the lockdown! Here's his youtube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcuLSr4UhAU8Rdegc264srg>

### Suggested Activity

All the activities on the film today are inspired by Dr Seuss.