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MYSTERIOUS CREATURE COLLAGE

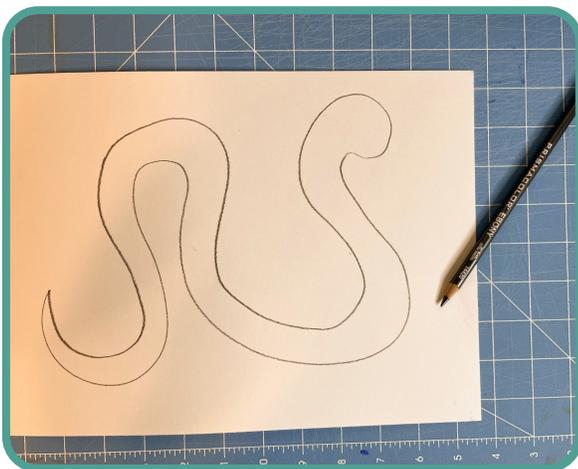
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Completed mysterious creature collage



Materials for collage



Mysterious creature outline

Create your own mysterious creature inspired by the tale of *Miniyamba*.

Materials

- Primary: watercolor paper or cardstock, magazine images or other printed materials (can be newspapers, maps, junk mail, computer printouts, etc), glue stick, pencil, and scissors.
- Optional: glitter, liquid glue, stickers, family photographs, markers, paints, oil pastels, packing tape. Use your imagination!
- Alternative: cereal box or other lightweight cardboard.

Tips for Starting

- Gather all materials beforehand. If you don't have the exact materials, improvise!
- Make a practice sketch of your mysterious creature. Remember, simple shapes will be easier to collage.
- Think about what mysterious creature you want to create. Maybe it's a combination of real or imaginary animals.

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Mysterious Creature Collage Instructions:



Creating a background



Choose different collage material for your creature



Mysterious creature with finished features

1. Choose a sheet of paper or a small piece of cardboard to be the base for your collage.
2. Use a pencil to sketch out the shape of your mysterious creature.
3. Decide what you want to use for your background. It can be an old map, magazine images, or colored paper.
4. Create your background by ripping your paper into small pieces and gluing them on the outside of your creature. Be sure to fill in all the blank spaces.
5. Pick out another image or paper to use for your mysterious creature. Think about what color or texture you want your creature to be. Are they hairy? Scaly? Shiny?
6. Fill in the main shape of your creature, making sure to fill in any blank spaces.
7. Now you can add features to your creature. You can look for eyes, noses, mouths, horns, arms, legs, and wings to glue onto your creature.
8. Now is the time for any finishing touches. What else would you like to add to your creature? Glitter? Stickers? Buttons? Make sure everything is glued down so they don't fall off!
9. You're done! Now you can imagine a story for your mysterious creature. What is its name? Where does it live? Does it have any special powers?