

step by step guide to creating your own

BLITZ PAINTING

YOU WILL NEED

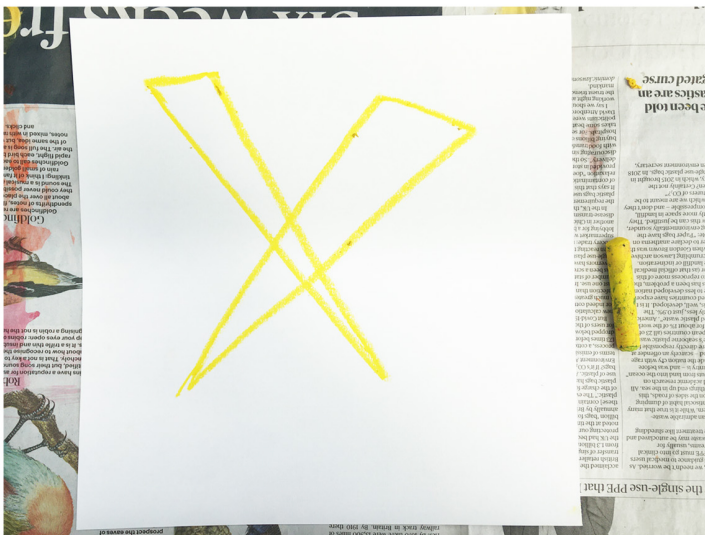
- black paper
- white paper
- paints
- a large paint brush
- waxy crayons
- a pencil
- scissors
- a glue stick



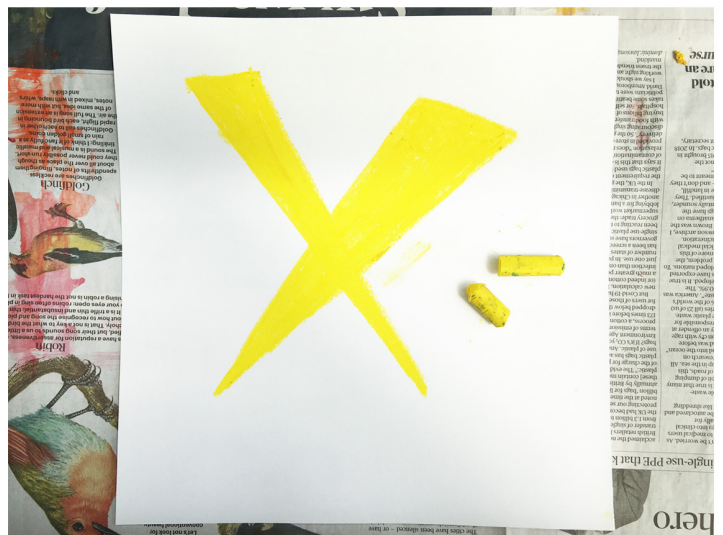
If you don't have black paper but do have paints, you can always paint a blank piece of paper to the colour you need.



Always use old newspaper on top of the table whenever doing anything messy or wet in art to keep it clean.



Step 1.
With a yellow wax crayon draw two thin and long upside triangles.

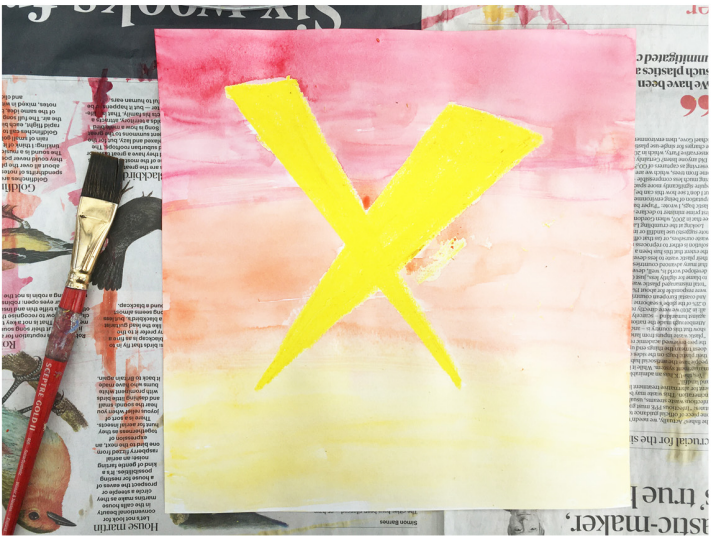


Step 2.
Colour them in so they become solid shapes.



Step 3.

Begin painting in your evening sky, starting with red at the top.



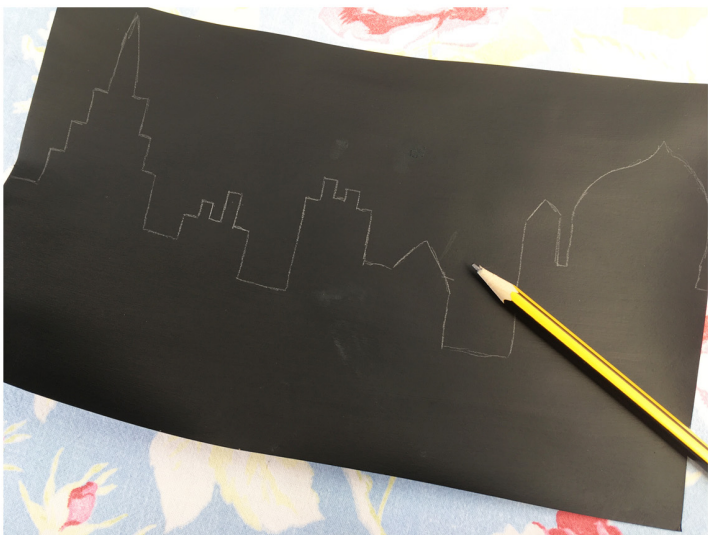
Step 4.

Then use orange in the middle and yellow at the bottom.



The paint will not stay down where you have coloured in your triangles, this is called a **"wax resist technique"**.

You may need to add a little bit of water to your paint if it is very thick.



Step 5.

On your black paper draw a city skyline. You can google for "blitz London skyline" or use the photograph from this pack.

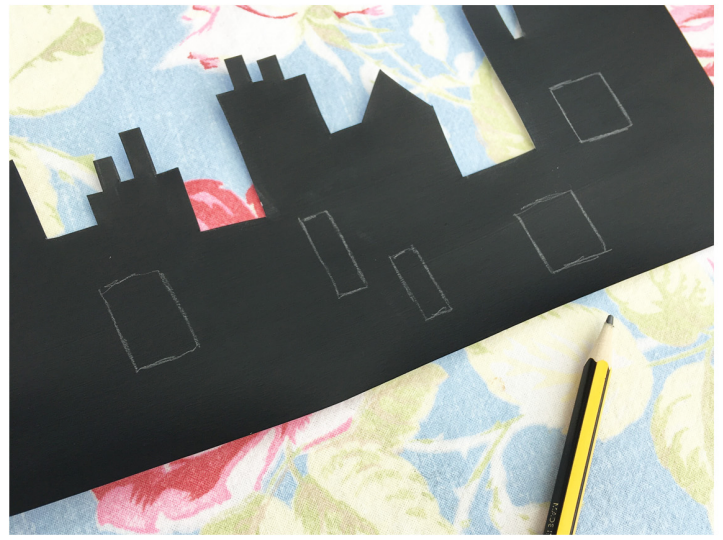
Take your time drawing this. Look at the big shapes from the photograph, think about adding chimneys, church roofs and buildings of different heights.





Step 6.

Carefully cut out along your drawn line. You can use a rubber to neaten any pencil marks.



Step 7.

If you feel confident, or you can ask an adult, in cutting out shapes you can try making windows in your skyline.



To cut out a shape, gently fold over your paper and make a small cut along your line. From this you will be able to cut out your shape as usual.



Step 8.

Check you are happy with your building skyline by placing it onto a light surface.



Step 9.

Stick your cutout skyline onto the bottom of your painted sky.



If you find drawing the silhouette tricky, you can copy all of the details and then rub out all of the inside lines.

Step 10.

On the leftover black paper draw out a silhouette of an aeroplane. You can google for "blitz aeroplanes" or again use the photograph in this activity pack.



Step 11.

Carefully cut out the outside line of your aeroplane shape.



Step 12.

Stick your aeroplane at the top your yellow triangles, you will see now that these are the search lights used during the blitz. You can add an aeroplane for each search light.



And now your blitz painting is complete!
Well done, you have created an atmospheric picture using lots of different art techniques to show an important part of history.



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