## Art Brain Booster

While you are learning at home, be sure to take some time to develop your creativity with some of these art/literacy activities:

Make at Home Salt Dough: This easy to make dough can be rolled, sculpted and used over and over when stored in a plastic bag in the fridge. Or you can leave uncovered to dry and harden. Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students can use it to make letters and build words. When it is dry you can also paint your creations.

- 1 cup of flour
- ½ cup of table salt
- ½ cup of water

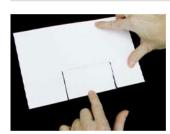




Make Your Own Pop-Up Card: Follow the instructions below to turn a piece of paper into an artistic pop up card. Make it for someone in your family or staple multiple pages together to create a book. You can learn more about what it take to bring a pop up book to life by watching this short video:

https://ed.ted.com/lessons/making-a-ted-ed-lesson-bringing-a-pop-up-book-to-life

Layer Pop-up



Step 7: Put the cut strip back in it's original position.



Step 8: Open the card up like a tent.



Using your thumbs, push the cut strip through to the other side of the card.



Step 10: Close the card...



Step 11: ...and press firmly.



Step 12: Open your Layer Pop-up!

**Drawing Prompts:** Grab a paper and some crayons or pencils and express your creativity by drawing any of the following suggested prompts

- Draw a design for a \$3 bill.
- Draw a bicycle riding a bicycle.
- Draw a Ferris wheel on top of a mountain.
- Draw something you'd like to eat
- Draw a marker painting.
- Draw a sweater made out of candy.
- Draw a pair of shoes made out of flowers.
- Draw a bowl of cereal under the sea.
- Draw a crying crayon.

- Draw a cabin on top of a cloud.
- Draw your own version of Disneyland
- Draw a pair of scissors running.
- Draw a squirt gun squirting paint.
- Draw a mountain topped with glitter.
- Draw the Statue of Liberty eating pizza.
- Draw lightning striking a very tall building
- Draw a treasure chest in an old ship
- Draw the Eiffel Tower eating a baguette.

**Create Your Own Comic**: Fold a piece of paper using the instructions below. Draw 4 heroes on each of the 4 top pieces. Draw 4 villains on each of the 4 middle pieces. Write or draw 4 settings on the inside pieces. Have someone choose 1 hero, 1 villain and 1 setting. Then use the chosen items to create your own comic strip by printing the next page. Color and share your story with a family member or friend.

