

Explorations  
Visual and Performing arts  
Grade k-1



CATERPILLAR PATTERNS

Students will learn about making patterns as they create a paper caterpillar.

## WHAT YOU NEED:

- 3×3 colored construction paper squares (red, yellow, blue)
- scissors
- glue
- crayons
- 10×12 white construction paper
- 12×18 colored construction paper (to create another page)
- [I Can Make a Pattern Handout](#)

## WHAT YOU DO:

1. Talk about patterns. How they repeat, and the different types of patterns (color, numbers, shapes, letters, etc.) Have them try to find patterns on their clothes or around the room. Once they understand the basic of patterns, that they repeat then you are ready to start the lesson.
2. Have student round the corners of the squares to create circles. Then they need to arrange it in a pattern (red, yellow, blue, red, yellow, blue, etc.) or whatever color they want to come first, on the construction paper.
3. Once you have checked that they have completed the pattern correctly they can glue it down on the white paper (have them arrange it so it looks like a caterpillar)
4. After they have glued on the circles and created a caterpillar they can then use their crayons to add details, like legs, antenna's, etc.
5. Then they glue the whole project on the large colored construction paper.

6. Glue the ["I can make a pattern" strip](#) on the colored construction paper, date the back of the page. You have another completed page in your art book.



