

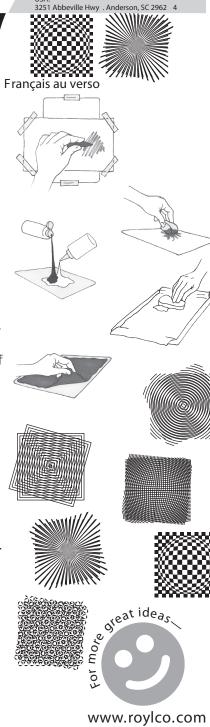
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Optical Illusion Rubbing Plates

Rub wonderfully wild works of art!

Create your own optical illusions with these unique rubbing plates. Six different designs give students a variety of choices and results. Here are a few tips for using these plates in your classroom:

- Work on a hard, flat surface.
- Experiment with a variety of paper types. Students can determine which works best and why.
- · Rub with a variety of mediums and note the different results. Use wax crayons, chalk, pencils and pencil crayons. Hint: Try holding the chalk or crayon sideways as you rub.
- Paint a perfect impression! Use a sponge to apply a thin, even coat of paint over the surface of the plate. Lay a sheet of paper over the plate. Gently rub the paper and lift off carefully.
- To create an optical illusion, place a sheet of paper on one of the plates. Use the side of a crayon to rub the plate pattern onto the paper. Turn the paper slightly and rub again. Hint: Try using a different color the second time you rub.
- Combine designs and note the change in effect. Use one color to rub the first plate then, using the same color place a different plate under the first rubbing and rub again. Hint: Try this again, using more than one color.
- Design vour own hand-made paper! Water down white glue until it has the consistency of milk. Use a sponge to apply a thin coat of the glue solution to your favorite plate. Lay down a sheet of facial tissue paper and coat with a second layer of glue. Add one more sheet of tissue, splash on some liquid watercolor paint, and let dry. Peel your paper off the plate and use it to add a personal touch to book covers, greeting cards, gift tags and stationery.



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