

## Constellation Collage

For thousands of years, humans have mapped the skies using constellations. This project blends art and astronomy together by recreating constellations using Color Diffusing Paper and Color Reveal Textures.

**Grade Level:** 02 & Up  
**Time:** 2 class periods  
**Difficulty:** Challenging  
**Clean Up:** Soap & Water

### Materials Used:

Roylco <i>Color Diffusing Paper</i> , 12x18" (R15212)	Roylco <i>Classroom Bowls</i> (R5519)
Roylco <i>Color Reveal Textures</i> (75506)	liquid watercolors
Roylco <i>Paint Pipettes</i> (R5449)	water
Roylco <i>Junior Paint Spritzer</i> (R54466)	misting bottle
Roylco <i>Fingerpaint "No Mess" Tray</i> (R7512)	paper towels
	pencil
	brushes
	markers
	glue

### Step 1

First, you'll need to decide which constellation to create. There are 88 to choose from. References are easily found online.

### Step 2

Paint the background of your sky by spraying liquid watercolors on Color Diffusing Paper. For best results, use a Junior Paint Spritzer. To blend all your colors together spray over them with clean water using a separate misting bottle.

### Step 3

Study your constellation before you work on your composition. It's important to place the stars in the correct location so your constellation is recognizable. Use a pencil to draw the stars of your constellation on a sheet of Color Reveal Textures. On top of your stars, draw the image that your constellation represents. (**Helpful Tip:** draw lightly and try not to erase. Erasing could damage the texture.) Next, add watercolors to your Color Reveal Textures paper. You'll see the textures emerge through the color. Let dry.

### Step 4

When your constellation image is dry, you may want to go back over your pencil lines with magic markers to help define the edges of your image.

### Step 5

Once the Color Diffusing Paper Background and the Color Reveal Textures drawing are dry, you are ready to assemble them. First, cut out your constellation image using scissors. Next, attach your cut-outs to the space background using glue.



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