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Collection of Thoughts



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I had an idea with my daughter Marley (11) to document the time we spent at home in our bubble through daily drawings, writing, journaling, decorating and/or mark-making. We collected all of these art pieces in a folder so we could look back at them and reflect after we came out of our bubble.

Perhaps you can collect the activities and drawings and writings you might have already made in other CEAC Adventures, and make new ones too! The only rule is to HAVE FUN!

This is an adventure that you can do at home

– or even take to school and finish there.

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Let's get started...

Your Collection of Thoughts folder can look however you want it to, and the pages can be whatever shape you want - they don't have to be a square or rectangle – all you need to do is find some materials to write/draw/mark on.

In our house we found...

Cereal box - thick card for the folder

Newspaper - we blocked out some images and drew and wrote in the spaces

Old artworks - we drew symbols and wrote words on an interesting background

Receipts - can be fun to find different uses for the items, or just an interesting size

Lined paper - I wrote some of my thoughts and feelings from the day

Packaging papers - try blocking out letters and make new words

Coloured paper - good for collage (Marley drew a stick girl holding balloons)

Unused paper towel/napkins - covered in cool dot patterns which we copied and changed

Recyclable bag - thicker brown plain space to decorate and can be cut to a bigger piece

How to make your folder

1. Find some hard cardboard to cut into your folder. We used a cereal box.





2. Cut a rectangle shape or use one side of the box. Make sure the edges meet up. Score and fold in half down the middle.







3. Find some wool/string/twine to go around the fold about 6-10 times as tight as you can without bending the folder. Maybe ask an adult to help to make sure it's nice and tight. Then tie the string in a double knot.







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Now as you design/draw/write you can slot your papers through the strings to keep your collection of artworks together.

Here are a few of our marks/journal/sketches

















When you have filled your first folder you can always start another one! We would love to see your projects. If you like you can share it by using the hashtag **#CEACAdventures** and tagging us on Instagram or DM'ing us on Facebook. You might even feature on our social media pages!

Here are some ideas to help you if you get stuck:

Make a pattern or symbol using the first letter of your name.

Choose one item from the lounge and kitchen, then draw it or write an imaginative story about it.

What's outside your window today?

List your top three favourite items in your bedroom. Draw them or write about how they came to live in your bedroom.

Write or design a plan for ANY week.

Interview other bubble members like you're on TV.

Create a Favourites list of each bubble member including you.

Write a TV report of the day, including the weather and top stories.

Draw parts of creatures we know to create a new animal.

Trace around something interesting in your house.

Add up all the ages in your bubble - draw that many bubbles.

Do a bug-hunt inside your house - spiders, flies, ants. What else will you find?

Write what you are excited to do after we leave our bubbles?

Draw your favourite game character that takes up the whole page.

Create a map to somewhere real or imaginary.

Write your name as many times as you can.

Write out (and sing aloud) your favourite song lyrics.

Draw two keys in your house.

Who is in your bubble? What do you know about them?

Write about yesterday, today or tomorrow.

Close your eyes for ten minutes - when you open them draw or write what you were

thinking.

Write out your favourite food recipe.

Sketch yourself as a Super Hero. What does your costume look like and what are your powers?

What's your favourite thing to do on the weekends?

What are three things that you are good at?

Draw your favourite place.

Not sure what kind of line to draw? Here are some line ideas:

Ashlee Tawhiti (2020).

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Ashlee is a visual artist of Māori and European descent. She loves looking closely at and collecting from nature. She has been hanging out with her daughter and their dog, three cats and a handful of chickens while in the Rahui. Her passion is creating with other like-minded adults and children!



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