



MMM MONSTERS!

Let's make with Hanga! Imprinting (Stamping)!

When Hanga dipped themselves into the spilled ink, they realized they could use themselves as a stamp! You can create art like Hanga by gathering up objects that are okay to dip in paint. Things like old lids, marker caps, toys (cars, small balls, and marbles work best!), and string are a great way to start. If someone has been cooking, see if you can grab any vegetable scraps - the ends of bok choy, celery, and carrots are fantastic! Unusable potato scraps can be cut into shapes as well.



Using a mix of paint and water makes for easy clean-up and will give you the most color options. If you are using real ink, be aware it will stain!

Choose your colors and grab a paint-safe plate. Mix your paint and water to have a just-watery consistency. You will also need paper (or try fabric paint and fabric!) to stamp on.



Now grab your stamps, dip them into the paint-mix you made and press them onto the paper. Can you make a pattern? Can you overlap shapes and colors? When you overlap shapes and colors, do they mix? If you add more or less water to your paint, what happens?

Using wiggly things like string can produce interesting stamping effects. Try dragging or moving your stamps on the paper!



When you are done stamping, let your creation dry. Once it is dry, it can be admired as is, or used as part of another project; you can use your stamped paper as decoupage, cut-up in collage, or as stationary! Use it to wrap a gift or send as a card to a friend!

**For more on stamping and imprinting,
try researching:**

Woodblock printing, Mokuhanga,
Linocut, and Batik!

Some artists imprint and stamp on metal!

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