

Design and decorate!

Make a simple vase and enjoy decorating it.

Take inspiration from beautiful, natural autumn colours and imagery.

Get ideas about mixing different materials and techniques from the artist Grayson Perry.

Watch this film for more ideas youtu.be/i14nL5PQOhY



Ode to Autumn—John Keats

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness!
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-
eaves run;
To bend with apples the mossed cottage
trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core;

Grayson Perry
Four Seasons 1988
Glazed ceramic vase

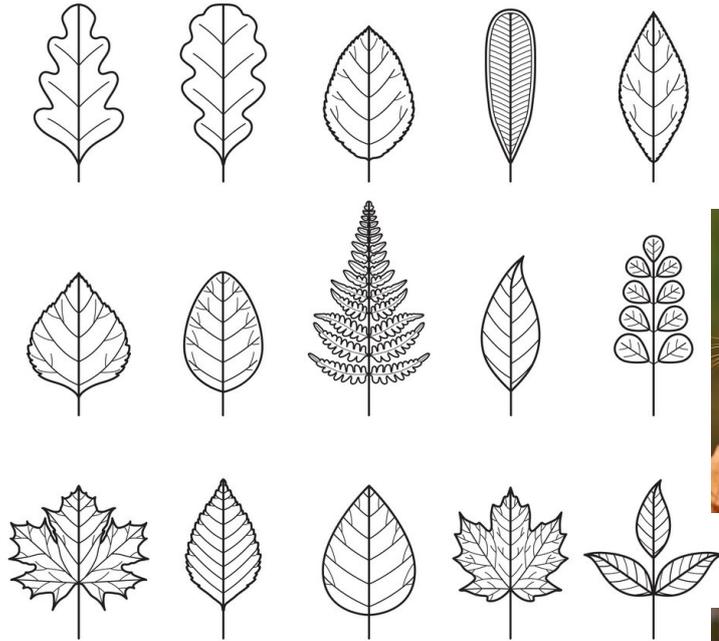
This 4 sided vase depicts the seasons as different people (look carefully and you'll see a word stamped at the bottom of each side).

Perhaps these are different sides of the same person?

Perry has used different techniques layered on top of each other—loose abstract painting, careful line drawing, collaged patterns, text and simple stencils. He has used the surface like a blank canvas.



Autumn Vases—Inspiration



Grayson Perry
Meaningless Symbols 1993
Glazed ceramic vase

See how Perry has covered the surface in striking symbols and collage images taken from magazines and comics (Can you spot Lady Diana?)
Have fun mixing it up!

You could use

A4 plain paper/ card for vase
Coloured pencils or pens
Paints
Scissors and Pritt stick/ glue
Collage materials - wallpaper/
wrapping paper/ old maga-
zines/ newspapers
Natural things—autumn
Cut out Words/letters

Activity (see next page for further help!)

Start by folding an A4 piece of paper (landscape) into 4 equal sections to make 4 sided vase. **Do NOT assemble until you have decorated sides.** Work flat noticing where the paper folds are.

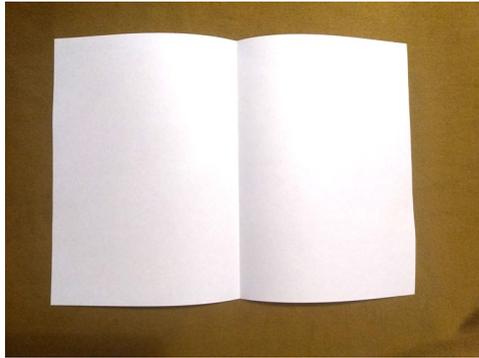
You could:

- Use collage or paint to create background colour
 - Draw/ collage images over background
 - Add words—using cut up newspapers
- Now fold along the creases to create a tall square vase (like Graysons) You can glue tabs inside the vase to hold it together (see page 3)
Make a square base (with tabs) and push inside vase to strengthen.

Share a photo of what you make!
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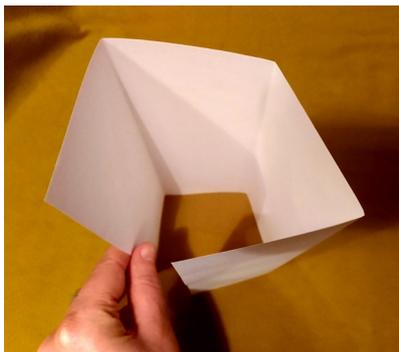
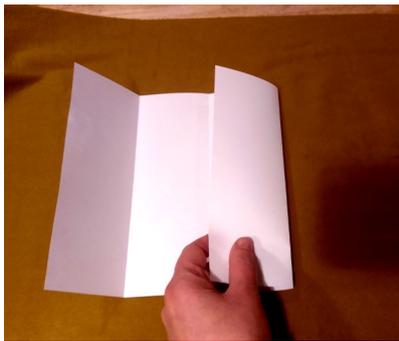




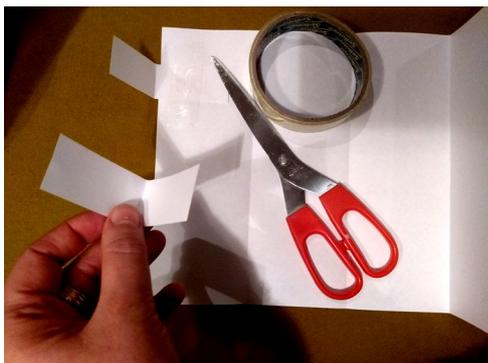
A4 plain paper or card
Landscape format
Fold in two



Fold in two again (to middle)
There are now 4 equal sections



Stand up your vase
Check all sides are equal
DO NOT GLUE TOGETHER—
decorate first while it is flat!



You can add tabs inside the vase so
that you can make an invisible join
between the inside edges.

Good Luck!