

Poppy

You will need:

- Berol Fabric Crayons
- Berol Mirado HB Pencil
- Piece of white fabric or white t-shirt
- 3 Toothbrushes - 1 per colour
- Thin A4 card or acetate
- Paper towels
- Scissors
- Masking tape

What to do?

1. Using the Poppy stencil, draw the poppy design onto thin card.
2. Cut out the centre of the poppy first.
3. Tape the card down to the fabric then model how to apply some of the Black fabric crayon to an area at the edge of the stencil. This is going to act as a palette.
4. Pick up some colour on the toothbrush then model how to work from the card into the cut out area. Always work from the edge inwards to stop the stencil from tearing.
5. Keep adding colour to the card, picking it up on the toothbrush and brushing it onto the fabric until the required depth of colour is achieved.
6. Gently wipe any excess fabric crayon from the stencil.
7. Cut out the red areas of the stencil and repeat these steps using a Red fabric crayon. As the red areas is larger it may take longer to build up sufficient depth of colour.
8. Wipe excess crayon off the stencil before cutting out the leaf and repeating the steps with a Green fabric crayon.
9. Encourage the children to work carefully at every stage as this helps the work retain a crisp, graphic quality.
10. If working on a t-shirt follow the heat setting instructions on the pack of Berol Fabric Crayons in order to make the colour wash fast.



Additional Information

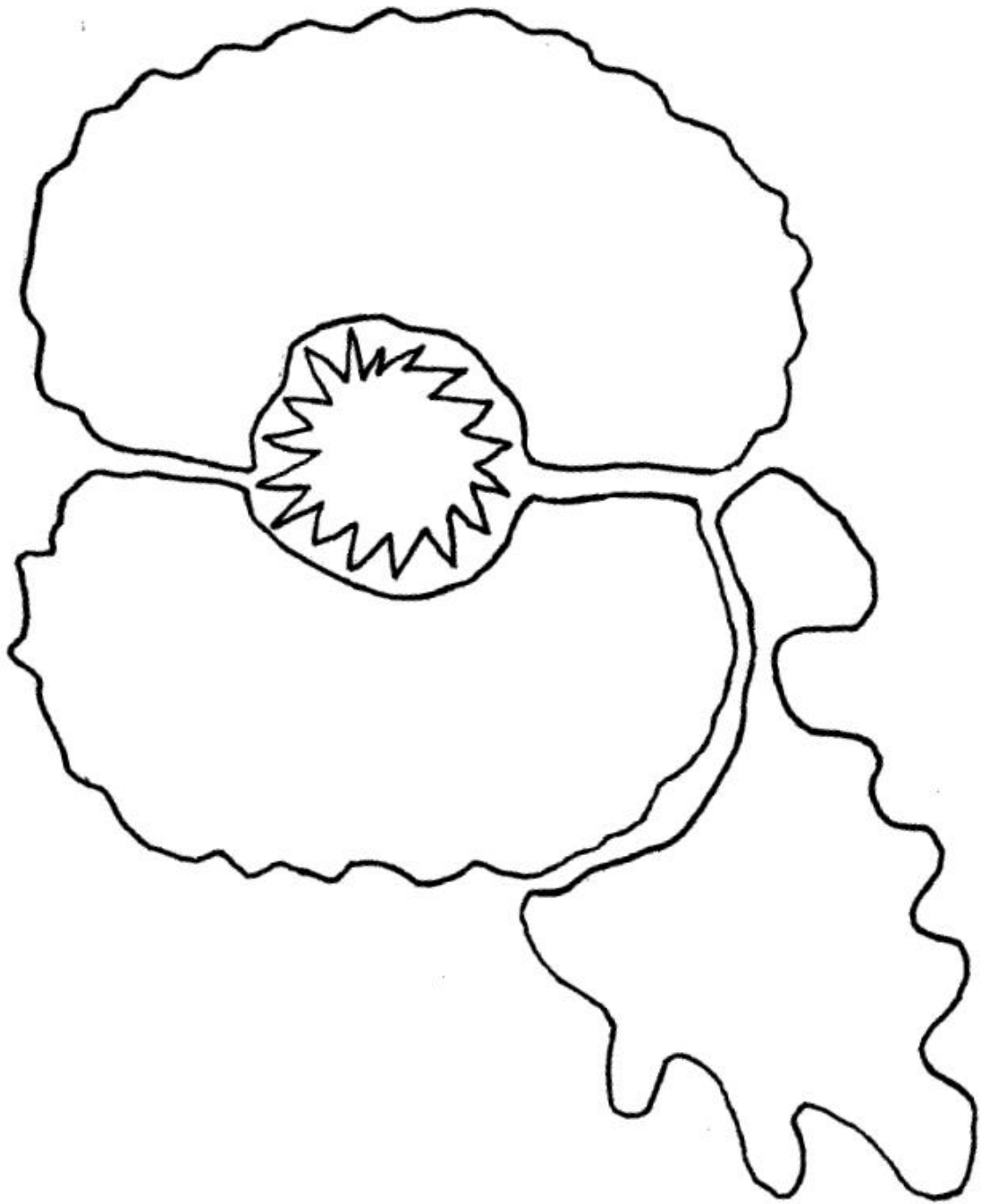
It is easier to brush the colour onto the fabric if acetate is used instead of thin card. Card tends to absorb colour whereas the acetate doesn't. That said, the ability of the children needs to be taken into account as acetate can be more difficult to work with.

After the poppy has been stencilled onto fabric further details could be added by using running stitches to give dimension and detail. If working on a t-shirt this might not be appropriate. If working on fabric, the embroidered and stencilled poppy could be used as part of a cushion or, as part of a greeting card.

The Royal British Legion website has a host of information and activities based around Remembrance. There are assemblies, posters, film clips and lesson ideas for KS1 - KS4. Most of this can be downloaded directly from the website:
<http://www.britishlegion.org.uk/>

Poppy Template

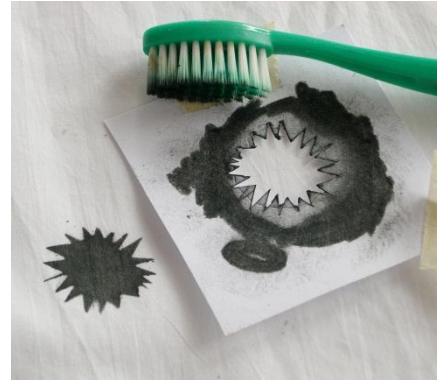
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Step by Step Photo Guide



Applying Black Fabric Crayon



Applying Black Fabric Crayon



Applying Red Fabric Crayon



Applying Green Fabric Crayon



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