

COLOR ART ACTIVITY

Inspired by Claude Monet's Charing Cross Bridge

Make your own Monet-inspired collage by following the instructions below.

- 1. You will need a small note card or any quarter-sheet or half-sheet of paper will work, tissue paper, and a glue stick.
- 2. Using Claude Monet's *Charing Cross Bridge* as inspiration, look closely at the colors and shapes of the bold brushstrokes.







- 3. Choose tissue paper in the colors that you see in the painting. Tear them into the shapes you see, and use the glue stick to attach them to the paper, starting with the larger pieces and then incorporating the smaller ones.
- 4. Try to cover all areas of the note card with tissue paper. Experiment with layering one color over another, placing a dark color next to a light one, and placing complementary colors next to each other.
- 5. Do the colors push and pull, jump towards your eye, or sit back on the page? This is because you have created the illusion of light, shadow, atmosphere, and time of day by layering shapes of colors, just as Monet did with paints!

Your finished color collage might look like one of these:



