



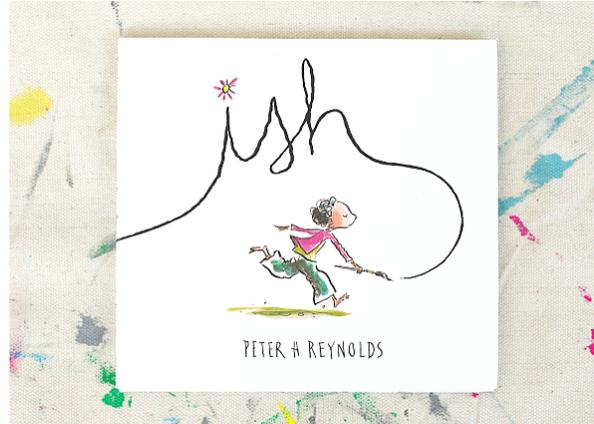
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## Crumpled Paper Art

Turn crumpled pieces of paper into colorful artwork in this fun art project.

This easy art activity is inspired by the children's book, *Ish*, By Peter H. Reynolds (if you have the book take some time to read it!!!)

In the story, *Ish*, a little boy named Ramon loves to draw, but loses his confidence when his older brother laughs at his picture. Over and over he crumples his drawings and tosses them on the floor and is ready to give up on art. But his younger sister has been secretly gathering the crumpled drawings and displays them. She teaches Ramon that art isn't about being perfect, but about thinking more -ishly!



The colorful paper has such a cool texture when finished and can be used for making collages or writing notes!!

### Materials:

- White Construction Paper
- Watercolors (you may use markers too)
- Paintbrush
- Scissors



### Directions for Crumpled Paper Art:

1. Cut your white construction paper into smaller pieces. You can cut your paper into fourths, so you end up with for 6in X 4.4in pieces per sheet of construction paper.
2. Take one piece of your cut construction paper and crumple it up into a ball.



3. Choose one color and use it to paint all around the outside of your ball.



4. Gently unfold it and see how it looks. Press it down gently.

5. Crumple it up again and paint it with another color.

6. Gently unfold it and press it down flat.

- You can stop only after two colors, but you can continue this process with a third color if you like.

7. Let the papers dry.



You can use your finish papers for all kinds of things – little notes, journal entries, schoolwork, birthday cards etc. They are also beautiful on their own!!!

