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Family Collage

What is a collage? It is a visual representation made from an assembly of different forms, materials and sources creating a new piece of art. A collage may include newspaper clippings, ribbons, bits of color or hand-made papers, portions of other artwork, photographs, and such, glued (photoshopped) to a solid support or canvas. Collages can also be 3D.

Families are amazing! They are similar yet uniquely different at the same time. Families are Teams and teams that work together can support each other. Each member of the family has a different job or contribution to make in order for the family to function at its best. In some families, mom might do laundry, while dad might cook, sister might mow the lawn, and brother might do the dishes. No matter job done, each must do his/her part. Think: If each member of a soccer, football, or baseball team didn't do their job, they would never win a game.

Explain to the students that they are going to make a collage about all the ways families help each other. They can cut pictures out of magazines, draw pictures, or write descriptions. When the students are finished, have them share their pictures with the family and display them around the their room or the home.

The student will be able to:

- Understand how to make different types of collages to express creativity and ideas
- Celebrate different roles each member of a family has and how families help each other.



Materials:

- Construction Paper
- Magazines with pictures of families or pictures printed from internet of families helping each other in different ways. If not available students can draw these families.
- Glue
- Markers or crayons
- Scissors
- Paper

Instructions:

1. Ask the students the following questions: What is a family? How many people make up a family? What roles does everyone play? Who lives at home? Do they have two houses where their family lives (as in the case of divorced households)? List all the different combinations on a piece of paper. Ask students to brainstorm all the ways families help each other. There will be many.

2. Students will then use pictures from magazines or the internet, draw their own pictures, or write descriptions of their answers to the questions.
3. They will take these pictures or descriptions and glue them onto the paper in their own creative way to make a new and wonderful piece of art celebrating how families help each other.

