Art Exploration
CARDSTOCK CAMERA

Celebrate your favorite memories of the year with a paper camera and film strip!

Materials Provided:
Pre-cut camera template
Pre-cut film strip template

Materials Needed:
Crayons, markers
**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. For this project, you’ll be coloring in your film strip (the white rectangle attached to this page) with three of your favorite memories from the year 2020. They can be happy moments, silly moments, crazy moments, or anything in between! Choose three memories that you’d like to remember once the year is over.

2. Draw and color a picture for each memory in one of the three boxes on your film strip. They can go in any order you’d like.

3. Let’s turn to the camera, now. You’ll notice that your camera template has two horizontal lines (left to right) running through the middle, and that these lines have been pre-cut. To feed your film strip into the camera, place one end of the film strip under the top horizontal line, and the other end of the film strip under the bottom line.

4. To move your film strip and “switch” memories, pull the film strip through the top horizontal line, and back down through the bottom. Relive your favorite memories each time you move them through the camera!

**What’s a Film Strip?**

Most of us take pictures using phones or digital cameras, but for many years before that, pictures were developed using film.

Film is made of thin strips of plastic. One side of each strip is covered with a special, light-sensitive coating. When someone takes a picture, the camera captures an image through its lens. This image is “burned” onto the film, and can then be printed onto paper to make a photograph.

These photographs have to be “developed” using special chemicals - the image does not appear instantly like it does with a digital or phone camera. This sometimes creates problems. For instance, you might not know that someone blinked in an otherwise perfect picture, until your film is developed and the picture comes back!

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