

DERWENT

TEXTURE EVERYWHERE

Derwent Inktense Blocks

Grade Level: 3-12

MATERIALS:

- Derwent Inktense Blocks, Set of 12
- White Drawing Paper (use paper that can take on water)
- Textured Items
- Spray Bottle of Water
- Derwent Waterbrush, 4 Pack
- Wax or White Crayon
- Tape (optional)

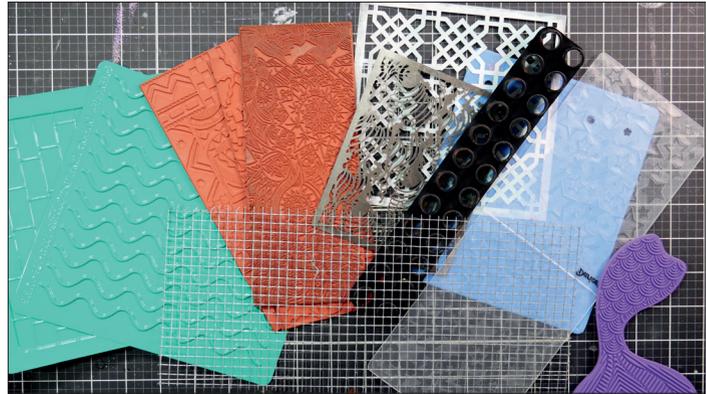
LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Texture is all around us. Gain awareness of patterns and textures in the everyday by learning to transfer pattern to paper by rubbing with a colour medium.



PROCEDURE:

- 1 Let's find some textures! Look around your home or classroom to find textured items to make your rubbings. You can use walls, plaques, and floors around your school. Textures are everywhere!



- 2 Place a paper over your textured object, and hold or tape your paper down. Rub over the paper with the side of an Inktense block to create a texture rubbing.



- 3 Let's try multi-colour rubbing! Tape or hold your paper down, but this time use a variety of colours to rub. We recommend you choose analogous colours (colours next to each other on the colour wheel - we like to call them "colour friends") so you don't end up with mud.

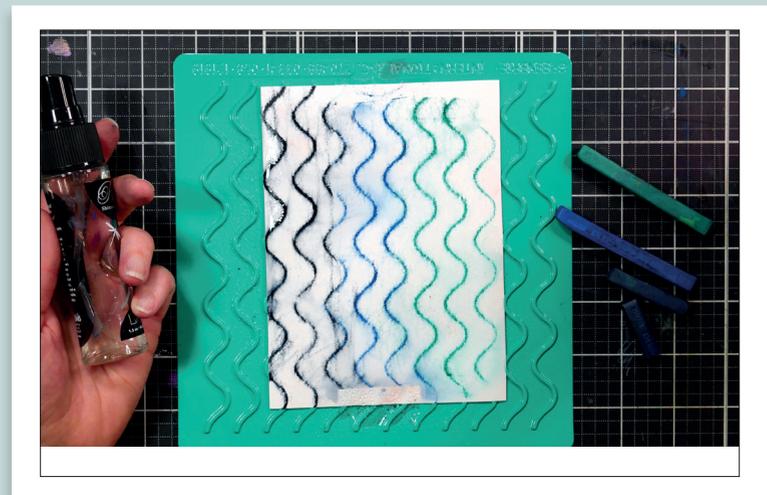


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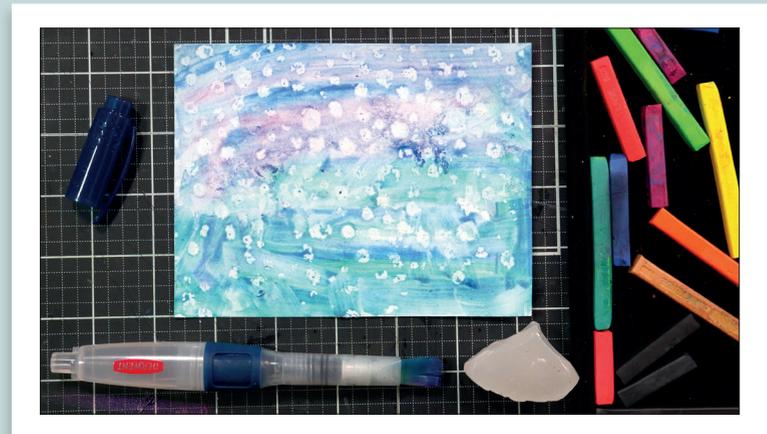
- 4 Since Inktense is watersoluble, you can use a waterbrush to activate parts of your design.



- 5 Now try another rubbing, but this time spray it with a fine mist of water and watch the pigment darken and spread.



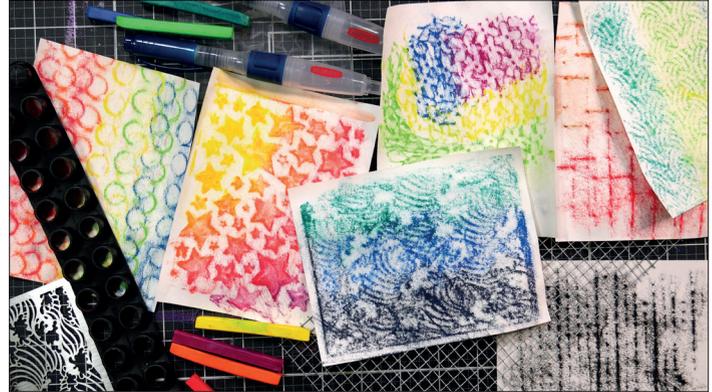
- 6 Another fun technique is to take a piece of wax or a white crayon and make a texture rubbing. Then paint over the rubbing with pigment from the Inktense blocks.



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Pro Tips:

- Thinner papers will give you a more crisp imprint, but thicker papers handle the wet technique better.
- We recommend cutting paper into smaller sizes so students can make a sample book of textures. We cut 12"x18" sheets of paper into 4½"x6" pieces. After all the textures were made, students can bind them into a book.



- Be sure to supervise younger students if they are making rubbings on walls, as a slip of the paper might be permanent.



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