



- Make it strong so that it doesn't fall apart.
- Make it so it really works. (magic potion helps.)

When you finish your hat, try it out by making some art. Be able to explain to others how your hat works and helps you to think like an artist.



## Make Your Own Artrageous Hat

Suppose you had a hat that would help you think like an artist. What would it look like? How would it work? Try to imagine such a hat in your mind's eye. Once you have a mental picture of your artrageous hat, make it using a paper plate as a base and colored construction paper to create its form. It may help to draw a picture of your hat before you start.

**Materials You Need:** A paper plate, assorted colored construction paper, white glue or glue stick, stapler, hole punch, yarn, glitter, and other materials that may make your hat unique.

**The Project:** Make a hat from paper that will help you to think like an artist. There are no rules for making your artrageous hat. The following suggestions may help you in deciding how to make your hat:

- Use several paper techniques to make your hat.
- Try to make a hat that no one else would think of making.
- Make it so that it can actually be worn. (Use pieces of yarn for ties to secure it on your head.)

**Want To Do More?** Explore the world of hats and headdresses on the Web. There are many different kinds of hats and headdresses around the world that are worn for many different reasons. Try to find as many different kinds of hats, headdresses, crowns, and other types of headgear as you can. For each one you find, write down its purpose or why you think it is worn. Here are a couple of sites to get you started: *Hats Off! A Salute to African Headwear* at the National Museum of African Art and *Hold onto Your Hats!* at the Canadian Museum of Civilization Corporation. Also, check out the Hair Hats from Japan.