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Time: Two 50-minute
classes

MONSTER



in the

CLOSET



Standards

VA:Cr1.1.3a

Elaborate on an imaginative idea.

VA:Cr2.3.3a

Individually or collaboratively construct representations, diagrams, or maps of places that are part of everyday life.

VA:Cr2.3.5a

Identify, describe, and visually document places and/or objects of personal significance.

Objectives

Students will be able to...

- Create a multilayered drawing of a doorway connecting the monster world with the human world
- Combine realistic drawings with fantasy images in a composition
- Recognize that the element of humor can be portrayed through art
- Learn background, middle ground, and foreground as a means of creating perspective
- Practice precise scissor cutting

Vocabulary

Perspective
Foreground
Middle ground
Background
Interior
Exterior
Overlapping



Introduction

If possible, view a portion of the Disney® movie *Monster's, Inc.* (or read the picture book). Imagine together what the monster world might look like. Show pictures of not-too-scary monsters — funny monsters work best. Show visuals of bedroom interiors from magazines, and then brainstorm ideas for the bedroom interiors students will draw.

Tips

- Small chips of balsa wood or craft sticks can be substituted for 3D-O's®.
- Room interiors and exteriors can be of any location (inside a living room looking out, inside a space capsule looking into space, inside a submarine looking under the sea, etc.).
- Mount the entire scene on mat board.



Background instructions

1. Draw the interior of your bedroom. Add details such as a bed, nightstand, lamps, chairs, toys, rug, etc. Remember that only a portion of this room will be seen through the closet door, so try to keep your drawing in the middle of the page. Sketch with pencil. Color with markers.





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Middle ground instructions

2. Draw an interior wall from the monster's viewpoint (a wall located in the monster's home world). Draw a door in the middle of the wall. Cut the door along one side and across the top. Fold where the hinges would be so that the door opens. Color the door on both sides.
3. Mount the monster wall on top of the bedroom scene with 3D-O's®. Place 3D-O's® around the edges of the paper and around the doorway opening.



Foreground instructions

4. Draw, color, and cut out accessories (clocks, door numbers, and scream canisters) and a monster of choice on a separate piece of paper.
5. Mount your accessories and monster on the interior monster wall with 3D-O's® so that the monster is ready to leap through the doorway into the bedroom.



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Materials list

- Crayola® Marker Classpacks®:
 - Original 10-Color Fine-Tip Classpack® (9712082)
 - Original 16-Color Conical-Tip Classpack® (9712084)
- 3D-O's® — ½" dia., pkg. of 400 (9711100)
- Tagboard or poster board (2 sheets per student)
- Mat Board 11" x 14" (9725853)
- Scissors (9713026)
- Pencils

