



How to create leaf rubbing

1. Spend some time outdoors collecting leaves from various trees and plants. Look for them in your yard or go on a walk to see what you can find around your area or at the park.
2. In our experiment, we were able to collect an oak leaf, a leaf from a potato plant, and a few other leaves from our garden
3. We found that the dried leaves fell apart too quickly to be used as rubbings, so we stuck to green leaves. You may want to grab leaves just as they fall from trees since they aren't too dry at that point but will be easy to access.
4. Place the leaves rough side up between two pieces of white paper.
5. Show the children how to gently apply pressure to the crayon and rub across the paper to reveal the leaf's pattern.

