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## **Highlights**

Jean-Michel Basquiat was a famous artist known for his bold colors, expressive lines, and powerful messages. His art often combined graffiti styles, symbols, and unique characters. Here's how you can create your own artwork inspired by Basquiat!

Once you're done, step back and look at your creation. Just like Basquiat, your art tells a story and expresses who you are. Display your masterpiece proudly, and remember: there are no rules in art—just have fun and be yourself!



#### **Materials**

- Canvas or Paper
- Scissors
- Markers
- Paint and brushes
- Newspaper or Magazine clippings
- Chalk or Charcoal
- Sponge



Ask a parent to help you cut out the letters and words from the newspaper or magazine!

















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#### Step 1:

Start by looking at some of Basquiat's artwork. Notice the bright colors, scribbles, and interesting shapes. Think about what inspires you! It could be words, feelings, or things you see around you. Jot down some ideas or keywords that you want to express in your art.

Instructions

#### Step 2:

Using your acrylic paints or markers, cover your large paper or canvas with vibrant colors. You can use a sponge to create texture or a brush for bold strokes. Don't worry about making it perfect—just have fun and let your creativity flow!

# Step 3:

Once your background is dry, it's time to add shapes and symbols. Use charcoal or chalk to draw different forms, like circles, squares, or even stick figures. You can also incorporate symbols that are meaningful to you. Basquiat often used crowns and skulls—what symbols can you think of?

## Step 4:

Basquiat loved to include words and phrases in his art. Think about what you want to say or express. Use markers or paint to write your words directly on the canvas. You can use big, bold letters or messy handwriting—just like Basquiat!

# Step 5:

For an extra layer of creativity, cut out images or words from old magazines or newspapers. Glue them onto your artwork to create a collage effect. This can add depth and make your art even more interesting!