



# Creating a Family Collage

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- They are not hard to complete. A smaller one can be done in one sitting.
- Ones that have more detail you may not want to complete with in one day and take a few days about forty minutes at a time to work on it.
- They can be done with just photos or with a variety of different materials.
- Once they are completed you can seal them with modge podge or what I do is get it laminated.

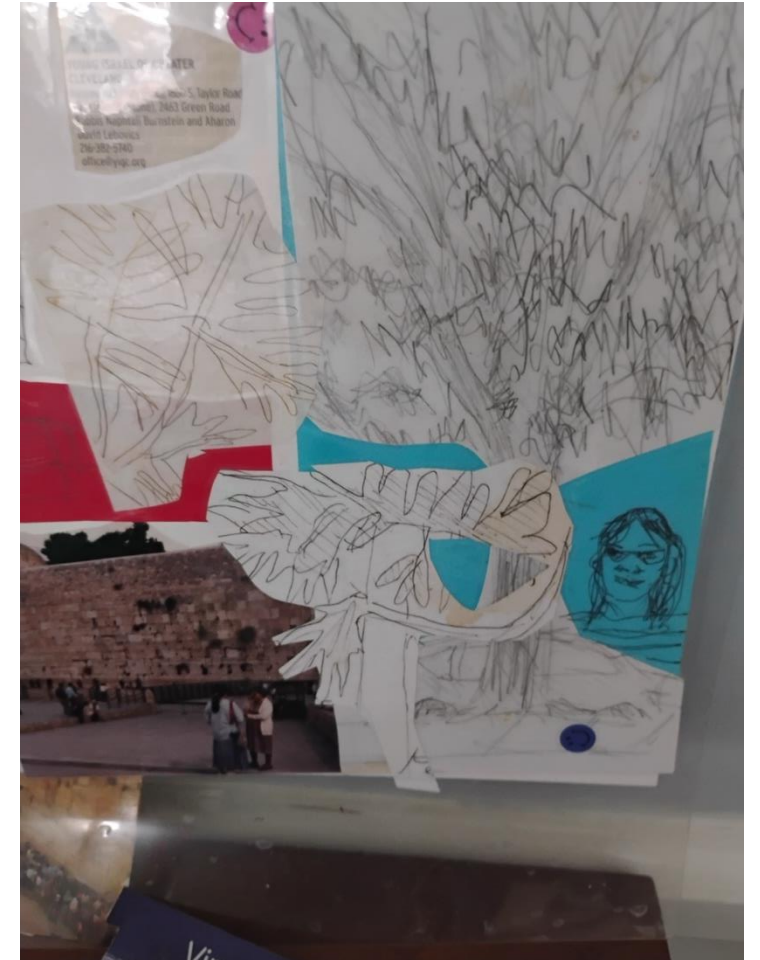
# How to make a family collage

- There is no time limit how long it will take you to make one.
- It can be done in one sitting or you can keep coming back to it over a period of time like almost any type of art or craft.
- First choose the size of preferably white tag board but it can be a different color. It can be square or one side longer than the other.
- Once you have all your materials, I make the background by adding shapes of different colors or of patterns. I place them where I think they should go before gluing them down.

# How to make a family collage cont.

- Then when I like where I put them I use liquid glue or a glue stick as an adhesive to permanently them to be part of the collage.
- Here comes the middle part where I am deciding where to put photos or pictures go. You can cut around the people ahead of time if you choose to. It is almost like putting pieces of a puzzle together.
- The same process of not gluing anything down until one is content where they should go. This may take quite a while depending how big the size is of your collage.
- Once the bigger pieces are put into place this is where I add the finishing touches. I look where there is an area that can use a sticker or a small cut out to go. You do want it to look too cluttered but only a few pictures it looks a little empty. You will know when it is complete.
- Then you can leave it the way it is. I usually get my collage laminated. You can also seal it with decoupage, just follow the directions. Enjoy your own creation and find a good place to display it. You can even frame it if you choose to. Thanks for participating in this family collage project. Deborah Weiser.

## Examples:



# Materials need to make a collage

- First you will need a piece of post board it can be any color or thickness. It can be any size at least 6 by 8 inches if you want to create a small one. If you want to make a larger one it be even 18 inches by 2 ft. They can be a square or circle size as well.
- I use very simple materials and because I enjoy to draw and I always add a few to a collage I make.
- From sources across the web construction paper, color marker and pencils aluminum foil.

# Materials:



Glue Stick



Buttons



Pencil

Paper  
Scissors



Sequins



Fabric



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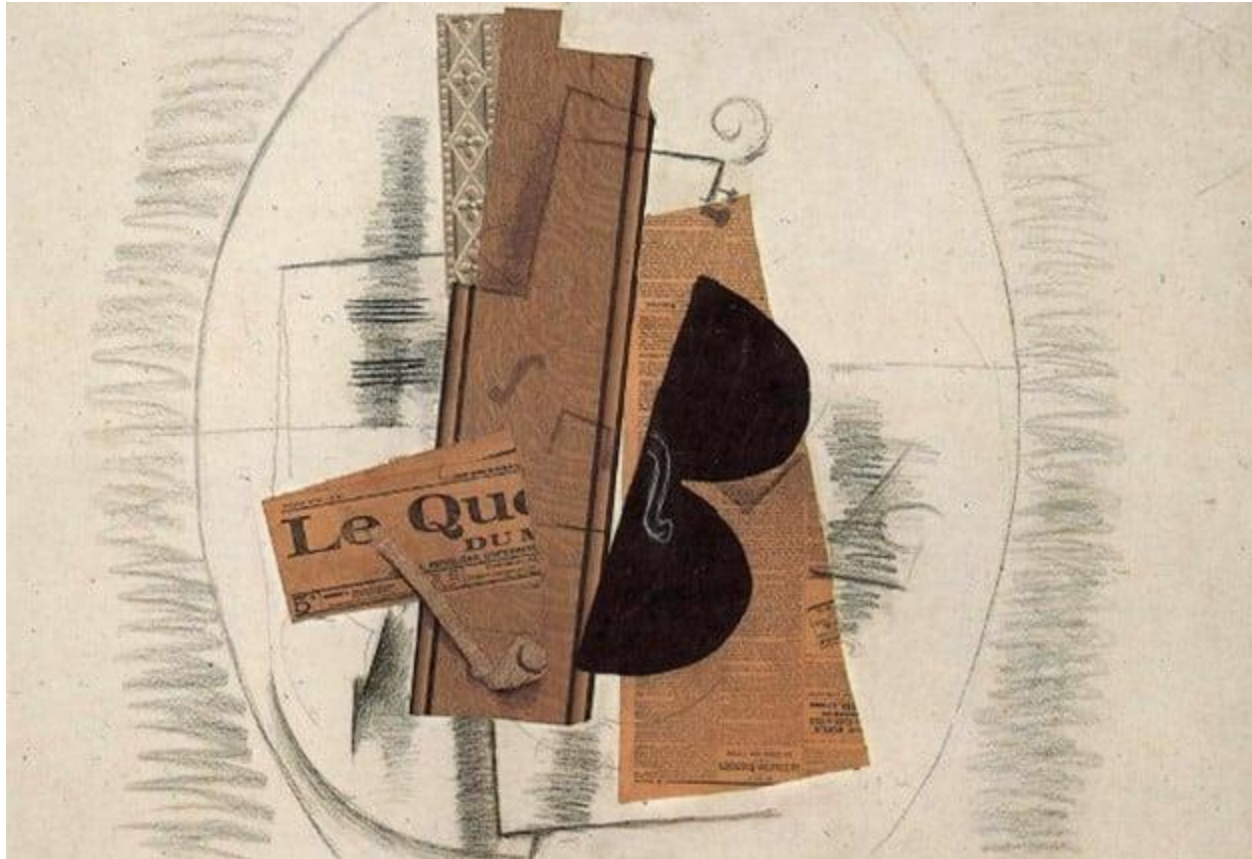


Magazines



Photographs





Emerging out of the avant-garde art movement at the turn of the 20th century, the technique of artistic collage has two founding fathers: **Pablo Picasso** and **Georges Braque**. Many claim that the first-ever artistic collage was “Still life BACH”, created by **Georges Braque in 1912**.