

Make a Stained Glass Window

Suitable for: Children aged 4-11

Things You Will Need:

- Large piece of paper or cardboard
- Coloured cellophane or tissue paper
- Pencil
- Sellotape
- Scissors
- Optional: Stencils

You will love looking at the different colours of the Stained glass as they shine through your windows at home!

About this craft activity: You can make this as simple or as complex as you like by varying the patterns you cut out and the colours you choose.



Did you know? Take inspiration for your craft from the huge and colourful Great West Window at All Saints! It may look old, but this window is actually Victorian. This window has a secret: the figures you can see (the Apostles) have Victorian heads and were probably portraits of local people!









How to Make Your Stained Glass Window

Step 1: Using your pencil draw shapes on the paper in any pattern you like such circles, squares, diamonds triangles, stars etc. You can either draw the shapes freehand or even use stencils or household objects to make your shapes. The shapes do not need to be symmetrical.

(Did you notice the rose shape in the middle is inspired by the Great West Window?)



Step 2: Cut out the different shapes that you have made on the paper or ask an adult to help.



Step 3: Cut and tape the cellophane into the shapes. Make sure you cover all of the cut-out shapes!

You can also try cutting the cellophane into strips to make stripes, circles or other patterns.

Can you make any new colours by layering up different colour sheets?



Step 4: Tape the paper to your window.

Step 5: Stand back and admire all the beautiful colours as the sun shines on your Stained-Glass Window.







You can make great patterns from squiggles from younger ones too!