**Volunteer Notes**

**For Eric Carle**

**Items Needed:**

1 art paper per student

1 set of tissue paper cutouts per student (need to do ahead of time).

Extra tissue paper in assorted colors

Glue sticks (15)

Markers and colored pencils to color the backgrounds to their tissue paper creations. When decorating the tissue paper, only use marker, gently, to avoid rips.

\*Items found in classroom: crayons, scissors

**Concepts being taught:** Please be able to understand and explain these to the students.

**Geometric shape recognition**- By recognizing you can create most things by using simple shapes such as circles, ovals, squares, rectangle, etc. Students will build a caterpillar using tissue paper shapes.

**Texture-** The perceived feel of the surface of a subject in art, based on appearance. You can create texture by use of color, shading, pattern or the actual way an art medium is applied to an art piece. Example: The fur of “purple cat” on slide 4. Encourage the students to add texture to their tissue papers w/ markers, or by folding, wrinkling or crunching their tissue before gluing. Be creative!

**Collage-** Art work made by cutting up various materials- string, fabric, tissue paper, photos, seeds, ribbons, etc. and putting them together with glue or other bonding material. Eric Carle uses this technique, often decorating his materials to add texture before use.

* There is a YouTube video of Eric Carle making tissue paper collages. Preview and use if you have time available (6min). Video showing the technique (6 min.)
  + http://www.eric-carle.com/slideshow\_paint.html
  + <http://eric-carle.com/slideshow_collage.html>
* Please allow time for the students to add a sun, flower or other object in their collage with the caterpillar to give them some experience with being creative with the collage technique.

**Other Notes:**

Please be sure to read through *all* instructions with the students before they begin any project.

Please save all tissue scraps for future classes to use.

Have Fun!