

ART PACK: Stone Age to Iron Age

Felting

What is Felt?

NC Programme of Study	Learning Objective	Activity	Learning Outcome
Pupils should be taught about great artists, architects and designers in history.	To compare felt to other sorts of fabric	<p>Distribute fabric samples to the class. Allow pupils time to examine the pieces of fabric. Ask pupils to sketch the pattern made by the woven or knitted fibres in each material</p> <p>Pupils compare pieces of knotted material with woven and felted fabrics in terms of permeability, stretchiness, insulation, strength etc</p>	Sketches of fabric weaves



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Making Felt

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Pupils should be taught to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, with a range of materials	To make a piece of felt	Explain to pupils that felt is probably the oldest known fabric in the world. Provide pupils with equipment as described in the teaching guide 'Felting'. Teacher demonstrates the felt making technique or plays the PowerPoint presentation 'Making Felt'. Pupils follow instructions to create pieces of felt	Pieces of handmade felt



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Make a Felt Pouch

<p>Pupils should be taught to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, with a range of materials</p>	<p>To design and make a felt pouch bag</p>	<p>Ask pupils to describe or sketch the bag that they use to bring their PE kit to school. Ask pupils to identify the main elements: Strap or hand, a means of closing the opening, decoration.</p> <p>Show pupils a pouch or simple draw string bag. Point out that it has all the main qualities of a sports bag.</p> <p>Tell pupils that Stone Age people did not print images on to bags but would have used found items to decorate the bag or pouch. Ask pupils to list the sorts of item that might have been used as decorations; Shells, beads, feathers...</p> <p>Demonstrate the making of a felt pouch (follow the instructions in the teacher's Guide 'felting')</p> <p>Allow pupils time to make and decorate a felt pouch</p>	<p>Sketches of bags Decorated felt pouches</p>
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