



TIME REQUIRED

Approximately 2 class periods (50 minutes each)

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Poinciana Day School, West Palm Beach, Florida
Grades 3-5

OBJECTIVES

Students will...

- Create a multilayered drawing of a doorway connecting the monster world with the human world.
- Combine realistic drawings with fantasy images in a composition.
- Recognize that the element of humor can be portrayed through art.
- Learn background, middle ground, and foreground as a means of creating perspective.
- Practice precise scissor cutting.

VOCABULARY

Perspective
Foreground
Middle ground
Background

Interior
Exterior
Overlapping



INTRODUCTION

If possible, view a portion of the Disney® movie *Monster's Inc.* Imagine together what the monster world might look like. Show pictures of not too scary monsters. Funny monsters are the best. Brainstorm ideas for the bedroom interior. Show visuals of bedroom interiors (magazines).



TIPS

- Watch the movie *Monster's Inc.*, read the picture book, or at least talk about it.
- Small chips of balsa wood or Popsicle® sticks can be substituted for 3D-O's®.
- Room interiors and exteriors can be of any location (inside a living room looking out, inside a space capsule looking into space, inside a submarine looking under the sea, etc.).
- Mount the entire scene on mat board.

BACKGROUND INSTRUCTIONS

1. Draw the interior of a child's bedroom. Add details like a bed, nightstand, lamps, chairs, toys, rug, etc. Remember that only a portion of the room will be seen through the closet door. Sketch with pencil. Color with markers.





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MIDDLE GROUND INSTRUCTIONS

2. Draw an “exterior” wall from the monster’s viewpoint with wall located in the monster’s home world. Draw a door in the middle of the wall. Cut the door along one side and across the top; fold where hinges would be so that it opens. The door must be colored on both sides.
3. Mount the exterior monster wall on top of the bedroom scene with 3D-O’s®. Place 3D-O’s® around edges of the paper and around the doorway opening.

FOREGROUND INSTRUCTIONS

4. Draw, color, and cut out accessories (clocks, door numbers, and scream canisters) and a monster of choice on a separate piece of paper.
5. Mount your accessories and monster on the exterior monster wall with 3D-O’s® so that the monster is ready to leap through the doorway into the bedroom.



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MATERIALS

- Crayola® Marker Classpacks®:
 Original 10-Color Fine-Tip Classpack® — 9712082
 Original 16-Color Conical-Tip Classpack® — 9712084
- 3D-O's® — ½" dia., pkg. of 400 — 9711100
- Tagboard or poster board (2 sheets per student)
- Mat Board 11" x 14" — 9725853
- Scissors — 9713026
- Pencils



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