

# Art and Picture Books: Early Learning Activity

A portrait is an image made of a person. Portraits can teach you about somebody's personality, what they like to wear, or their favorite hobbies. The artist created this portrait of a woman by placing different objects on a blue background. Do you recognize any of the items he used?

Create a portrait collage using materials found outside, at home, or in your classroom.



Francis Picabia. (Untitled (Match-Woman I), 1920. Helen Birch Bartlett Memorial Collection.

## PICTURE BOOK CONNECTIONS

“Walter was Worried”  
by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

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What emotions do you think the woman in the collage is feeling? Why? How is this similar to or different from the emotions described in “Walter Was Worried”?

Create a self-portrait using the letters in your name.

## Related Illinois Early Learning Standards (PreK-K)

Learning Standard 2.D  
Learning Standard 4.B

*Establish personal connection with books.*  
*Demonstrate an emerging knowledge and understanding of the alphabet.*

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