

Eric Carle in his studio

★ **Make your own Very Hungry Caterpillar collage picture in 9 easy stages** ★

Eric Carle creates his artwork using a technique called **COLLAGE**.
He creates batches of painted tissue papers, starting out with white sheets.
The papers are then stored in flat files, sorted by colour,
which he cuts and sticks to create his pictures.

You could use tissue like Eric, or recycle wrapping paper,
newspapers or magazines – just use your imagination!



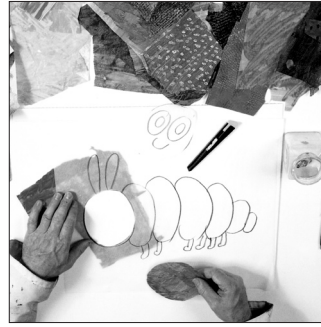
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Draw a caterpillar onto tracing paper or other transparent paper.



2.

Place the drawing on top of a red tissue paper and cut through both tracing and tissue papers. Be careful!



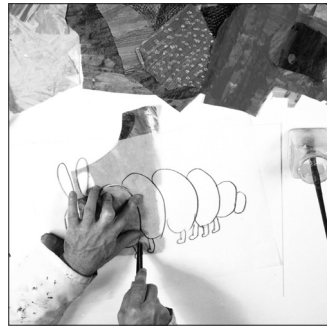
3.

You now have the face of the caterpillar.



4.

Paste the red face onto a piece of white paper or card.



5.

Cut out the first green segment of the caterpillar's body.



6.

Place the tracing paper, with head and body segment removed, as a guide for pasting down the green segment.



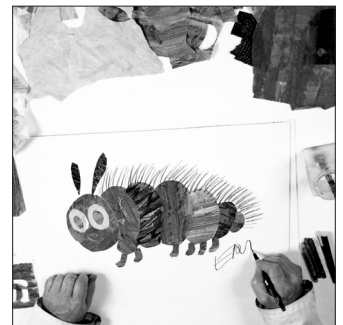
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Repeat steps 5 & 6, selecting different shades of green for each segment until the body is finished.



8.

Cut out yellow, green and brown parts for eyes, nose and feet, and glue them into place.



9.

Use crayons or coloured pencils for the final touch.



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and The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art at www.carlemuseum.org

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