



Handprint Penguin

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Art Cards by Kids is an exciting fundraising opportunity for elementary schools across North America. This high-profit artwork fundraiser brings creativity into the classroom in a fun, educational, and rewarding way for students, families, and teachers alike.

We created these step-by-step instructions and videos to help teachers in the classroom guide students in creating amazing artwork for the fundraiser. Videos can easily be projected or displayed in the classroom for students to watch with guidance from their teacher. Please make sure your school has registered already and you have received our specially sized custom art sheets from the coordinator at your school before starting. Happy artistry!

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Description:

Create this cute penguin using your handprint! It has rosy cheeks, a happy face, and sits in front of a snowy blue background, surrounded by falling snowflakes.

Materials Needed:

- Watercolour paint in light blue
- Non-toxic hand safe paint in black
- Acrylic paint in white, red, yellow
- Paint tray/palette
- Large and small paint brush
- 1 piece of white letter paper (8 ½ x 11")
- Scissors
- Glue Stick
- Black permanent marker
- Paper towel
- Water

Difficulty Level: Grade K-1

[See the corresponding step-by-step video to these instructions on our website under the same title.](#)

F-090 Handprint Penguin Art Project Instructions:

1. Prepare Your Art Sheet Paper

- a. Place your Art Cards by Kids Art Sheet on the table vertically. Make sure the vertical arrows on the left side are pointing upwards.

2. Write your name

- a. At the top, write your name, teacher's name, age, and grade in big, bold letters using a marker or pen—no pencil!

3. Cut Out a Circle for the Belly

- a. With your letter paper and scissors, cut out a circle that can fit in the palm of your hand as the belly of the penguin.

4. Paint the Background

- a. With your large paint brush, mix water into your light blue watercolor paint to create a richly pigmented but thin and spreadable paint.
- b. Paint large brush strokes from left to right across the top $\frac{3}{4}$ of your Art Sheet. At the bottom of the sky, paint an upwards curve, the negative white space at the bottom will form a hill. Make sure to pick up lots of paint on your brush for a vibrant background.

5. Place Your Handprint

- a. Rotate your Art Sheet paper upside down.
- b. With your non-toxic black hand paint and big brush, you or your teacher paint the front of your right hand black, your fingers and palm.
- c. Press your hand down firmly with your pinky and thumb sticking out and the rest of your fingers together. Place the handprint so your knuckles are over where the sky turns to snow. The heel of your hand will make the penguin's head.
- d. Rotate your Art Sheet paper back to right side up. Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water.

6. Fill in the Handprint

- a. With the same black paint and brush, fill in the blank spaces and patches on your handprint and darken up the black as needed.
- b. Let dry.

7. Glue Down the Belly

- a. Take your glue stick and the paper circle and coat the back with LOTS of glue so it sticks down.
- b. Place the circle down in the center of the palm of your handprint.

8. Add Eyes

- a. With a small amount of your white paint and small brush, paint two circles above the belly as eyes.

9. Add Cheeks

- a. With your small brush, mix a very small amount of red and white paint to make pink. Paint two small circles below the eyes as jolly cheeks. *Color theory: Red + White = Pink.*

10. Paint a Beak

- a. With your small brush, mix a very small amount red and yellow paint to make orange. Paint a small triangle as the beak. *Color theory: Red + Yellow = Orange.*

11. Add Pupils

- a. With your black paint and small brush, dab on two small dots in the center of the white eyes as pupils.

12. Add Snowflakes

- a. With your white paint and small brush, paint random dots all over the blue background as snowflakes.

13. Sign Your Name

- a. Once everything is dry, use your black permanent marker to sign your name in the snow.
- b. Do not sign your name too close to the black border, it will be cut off!

14. Let It Dry

- a. Let the entire painting dry completely before handling or stacking.

Complete!