ROMAN COIN

Materials:

Roman coin template

Cereal or Snack box

Glue

Scissors

Pencil

Copy paper

Crayons

Black tempera paint

Foil

Paint brush

Paper towels

Instructions:

- To make a Roman coin, draw a portrait in profile large enough to fit inside a dinner plate or print the Roman coin template attached to these instructions.
- Cut the profile out and glue it on to the paperboard of a cereal or snack box. We used a folder for a paperboard.
- Cut the profile out of the paperboard.
- Cut out shapes from paperboard and cardboard. Cut out a triangle for the eye, a backwards letter "C" for the ear, and wavy strips for the hair. Glue the shapes on to the profile.
- Using a dinner plate or paper plate as template, trace a circle on to paperboard. Cut the circle out.
- Cut out strips of cardboard or paperboard and glue to the back of the profile. Then glue the profilein the center of the paperboard circle. The strips on the back of the profile should raise the profile slightly above the circle background.
- Glue the wavy strips of paperboard for the hair.
- Letters and numbers can also be cut out of the paperboard. You could include the current year, your initials, or even Roman numerals on your coin.
- Once you cut the letters and numbers out, glue them on to your coin.
- Once you are finished making your coin, and the glue has dried, place a piece of paper on top of your coin. Rub a crayon sideways across your coin. This creates a rubbing of your coin.
- Another option is to completely cover the coin with one piece of foil and flatten it down.
- Fold the extra foil to the back of the coin. Trim the foil down if needed.
- Press the fold down so the outline of the glued pieces of paperboard are noticeable.
- Brush a thin layer of black tempera paint all over the Roman coin.
- Lay a paper towel across the paint-covered coin and gently rub some of the paint off. Rub off any additional paint as needed.
- Let the paint fully dry.
- Now you have a Roman coin!

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