

ACTIVITY OF THE WEEK — FOIL ETCHING

This issue's **Activity of the Week** comes from Claypit Hill BASE. On Tuesday, April 23, Lisa Corfman offered an activity for students to create their own painted etchings.

With pointed wooden skewers, children drew pictures or designs into thick foil rectangles. They covered the etching with a layer of tempera paint and then wiped the surface, leaving the etched areas darker than the smooth areas.

What makes this a great BASE activity? It's Creative – Children were able to make any picture or design that they wanted and experiment with the paint colors and thicknesses.

It's Real Art— Etching will be taught in school art classes, and can be viewed in art galleries and museums.

It's Easy — The materials were simple (foil cut from heavy foil pans, skewers, tempera paint and brushes, and paper towels. And most of the students created more than 1 etching, each unique and beautiful.



If you'd like more information on this activity, you can check in with Lisa at Claypit Hill BASE.