SPIDER WEB ART

- This Visual Arts lesson is quite easy and quick to do. However, it can really only be done in small groups and with adult supervision for younger pupils.
- Have a selection of different colour poster paints in bottles available for pupils. The bottle should have a good bit of paint in them. Make sure that the caps are tight on the top.
- 3. Starting in the centre of the art page, get the pupil to squeeze a pea-sized amount of their desired colour paint onto the page.
- 4. The pupil should then squeeze three/four concentric circles outside the centre blob, ensuring there is a space between each circle. Try to get the pupils to keep an even pressure when squeezing the bottle to ensure that there are no breaks in the circle of paint. Encourage them also not to squeeze too hard as this will waste a lot of paint which will take ages to dry.

5. When all of the circles have been completed, get something like a lollipop stick for each pupil. Starting from the centre blob, drag the lollipop stick along the page, through each circle until they reach the edge of the page. In so doing, new colours should be created as the colours of the circles mix together. Repeat this step as many times as desired, but don't overdo the lines. You could also use something thin like a toothpick to drag smaller lines in between the thicker lollipop lines.

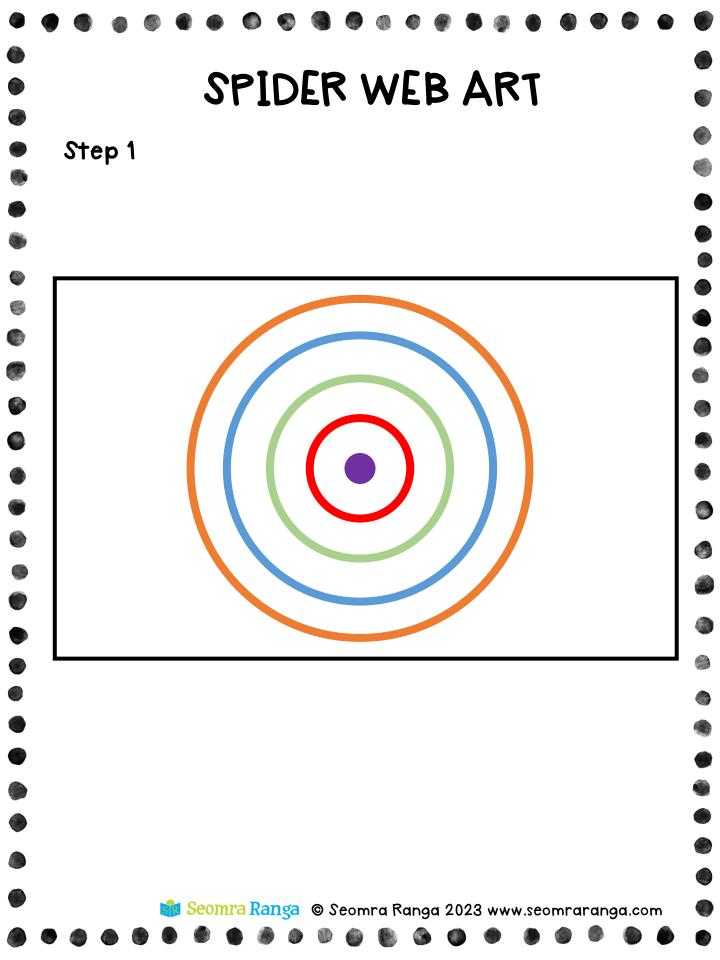
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- 6. Allow the paintings to dry over a few days. If desired, stick them to a backing page of a complimentary colour.
- Display the pictures together to create a great array of colourful spider webs.
- 8. This could be a great lesson to do around the Hallowe'en time of the year.

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