Everyday Sculptures A creative idea from GOSH resident artist Abigail Hunt



Try making interesting and strange temporary sculptures using only the things you have around you in your room.

Working individually or with someone else bring together a collection of objects that you find around you – about 5 or 6 is a good number to try. Objects might include: a water bottle, a teddy, a pen, a plastic glove, a book, a magazine rolled up, a piece from a board game...

Use your collection of objects to create a momentary/temporary sculpture – Its best to try this on a hard or flat surface so you can do this on your bedside table. If you have any, you can use string, wool or tape to help hold things together, but it is also lots of fun to try just balancing the objects in different ways. You could also try this with someone else and challenge each other to make different things or to see who's sculpture is the tallest or who has used the most objects. How does it look if you use the same objects, but balance them in a completely different way?

Try to come up with a title for your sculpture. Think about the things you have used or if it looks like something completely different to the objects you have used?

Make sure you take photos of your sculpture using a camera or a mobile phone. Your objects may be quite precariously balanced and perhaps you need help to photograph things quickly – this can be a fun challenge or you might even capture the moment they fall over! You could also try making a short film (perhaps using slow-motion setting on a mobile phone) of your sculpture falling or being pushed over.

Share images of your sculpture with other family members or friends by sending them a photo, or show the GOSH staff when they next come to see you. Maybe they can add something to your sculpture too?