

Mosaic Names





An ArabishWay Activity

This craft is great for festivals, cultural events or just an afternoon activity. I love it because there really are no rules and it's great for all ages. Two challenges are finding somebody who can write in Arabic and the prep work of cutting the shapes. But truly, this is one of my favorite activities because regardless of ability, the project turns out looking colorful and fun. And it's a great opportunity to learn the names of the colors (see the Arabic color box on p. 2!).

Materials:

- 8 sheets or more of colored card stock of varied colors (the more colors the better)
- large bowl or container
- scissors (for adults only)
- glue or glue stick
- large sheets of paper (24" x 36")
- pen/pencil

Cut the card stock of various colors into squares & triangles ($\sim 1 \frac{1}{2}$ cms wide) and put in a large bowl.

Preparation:

Take the large paper and write your child's name on it. Try to leave lots of space between the lines so you can still see the form even after the shapes have been glued on top.









Don't have an Arabic writer around? You can use Yamli.com or Google translate to see your child's name in Arabic.

Instructions:

Give your child a glue stick and let them do their thing. Use this opportunity to practice saying the colors in Arabic.



This child is a toddler and is randomly gluing the shapes.



This child is in preschool and is understanding she can follow the lines to make her name.



The child in this image above is much older and has chosen to do a gradated rainbow pattern on her name.

Your Arabic Color Guide:



إنبستو فها - إنبستو

