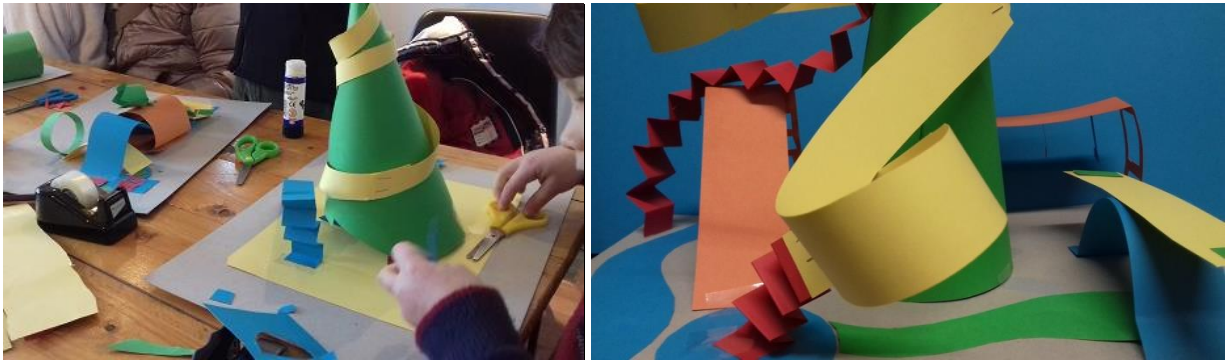


## LEARNING RESOURCE

### Paper Playground

*We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing.* George Bernard Shaw



This simple activity creates a framework that enables people of all ages to experiment with and develop 3D ideas and forms quickly. You should ideally allow a minimum of 30 minutes for the activity so that children have time to understand what is possible and then produce their own playground. It requires very little preparation and uses cheap, readily available and mess free materials.

- Cardboard bases
- Thick coloured paper
- Plastic straws
- Scissors/guillotine
- Cellotape
- Staplers
- Hole punches (optional)

Every playground created will be different and you might incorporate a short writing or speaking exercise whereby each young person explains their creation.

This activity will enable students to:

- Create a number of 3D forms that work together
- Employ creative thinking to experiment and express ideas quickly
- Use creative problem solving to choose the right method to connect and construct
- Increase spatial awareness
- Develop dexterity and fine motor skills