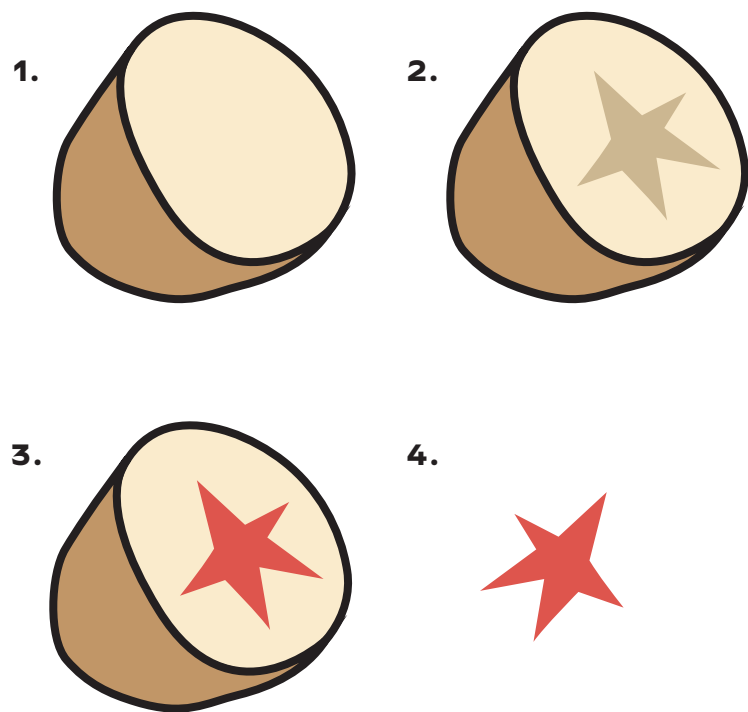


Potato Stamps



Materials Needed

- Equipment / Tools
- Kitchen knife
- Pencil or marker pen
- Saucer or paper plate for paint
- Potatoes
- Water-based paint
- Paper

Instructions

*Younger children will require supervision when using the knife.

1. Cut Potato in Half

Cut the potato in half with a kitchen knife. Don't let the potato dry out as this will distort the design.

2. Draw Shape on Potato

Use a pencil or marker pen to draw the desired shape onto the surface of the potato.

3. Cut Around the Shape

Cut around the shape with a kitchen knife, leaving the design so it is raised on the surface of the potato. Using a serrated knife will give a textured surface. Use a fork or skewer to make tiny holes in the potato for added design interest.

4. Dab Potato in Paint

Pour some paint into a saucer and dab the potato in the paint, ensuring that the surface is evenly coated.

5. Stamp Potato on Paper

If there is too much paint on the potato stamp it will slip when stamped onto paper. Stamp the potato onto waste or scratch paper a couple of times to remove any excess paint. Press the potato stamp onto the paper, card, or project. You should be able to use the stamp several times before needing to dip it in paint again. The potato can be washed after use and used again with another color.

6. Let Paint Dry

Let the paint dry completely before decorating or finishing the design.