

Title: Shining Sun Ornament

Grade Level: K-5

Objective: Students will learn about Mexican Folk Art and create a version of sculpted metal art.



Lesson Plan

Materials: sharpies/markers, paper plates, aluminum foil, glitter, liquid glue, hot glue (as needed)

Opening Activity: Teach students about hojalata: Mexican Tin Art! Since the 1500's, this humble metal has been made more pleasing by being shaped, stamped, punched, painted and cut into a wide variety of art pieces. Tin is very light, it's strong and it's inexpensive. Learn more about Mexican Folk Art HERE: <https://youtu.be/oy3aaF4S3Ek>

Core Activity:

- Distribute large squares of aluminum foil to students with markers.
- Have students draw unique sun or moon face. They can add liquid glue and sprinkle glitter for extra shine.
- Distribute paper plates- when the drawings are dry, gently wrap the plates with the tin foil, attach foil on the back side of the plate with hot glue (as needed).

Reflection: As students help clean up the markers, ask them why they chose to create a sun or a moon, or both. Also, did they like this activity? How would they change their drawing if they were to create it again?