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I had devoted several lessons to drawing self-portraits with my second graders. Once they became comfortable with body and feature placement and proportion, we moved on and I added another challenge.

Students were asked to tear a head and all facial features from construction paper. At first, they wanted to draw and then cut out the face to assure themselves it would look "right." But after seeing the face assembled and glued, they came to appreciate a "looser," more whimsical look.

Next, they tore tissue paper for the clothing to contrast with the construction paper. We discussed making the clothing and accessories look like clothes anyone would really want to wear.

After the clothing was pasted in place, the students went back to the construction paper to add arms, legs and, in some cases, hands.

Everyone noticed how the tissue paper made the clothing have a realistic look. The collages were completed with a pastel-rubbed background and some students chose to outline at least part of the figure with felt-tip marker. ■

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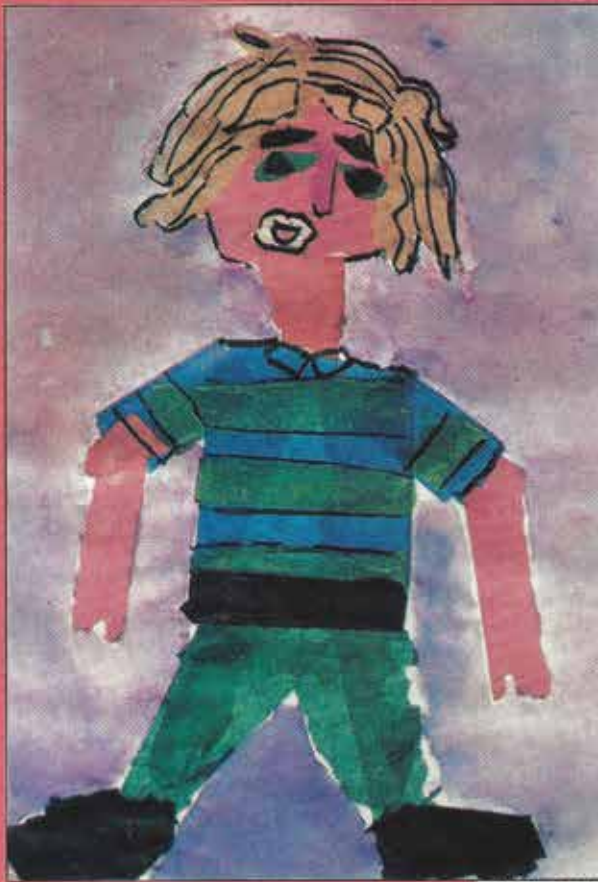
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