The series titled ‘AESTHETIC SKILL’ consists of eleven books: AJJC and YJLL. It has been specially designed and prepared with the sole purpose of developing the hidden talent of a child to trace, colour, draw, and paint. The series welcomes the child to the world of art and creativity. The dictionary meaning of the word art is “The use of imagination to express ideas or feelings particularly in painting, drawing or sculpture. It is an expression of ‘creative skill’ in a visual form. Art provides the child with a prime means of learning, understanding and communication. Different art concepts are introduced to help the learner appreciate the work of art in making use of his imagination.

The series includes colouring, drawing and painting, step-wise photographic method and paper folding. The large variety of activities has made this series immensely interesting. Its greatest advantage is that while the child is engrossed in the creative learning, these activities develop his power of imagination. A few pages have been kept blank at the end of each book to play with colours. The series has the following salient features:

1. Colouring and drawing of object.
2. Step by step gradation in simple and easy to understand language.
3. Vast area of art field covered through visual aids.
4. Stress on craft activity.
5. Colourful and supportive background.
6. Thought-provoking and delightful exercise.

Efforts have been made to keep in mind the standard and comprehension capability of the learners, while preparing and designing this series.

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COOL COLOURS

Green, blue and violet colours are cool colours. Fill these colours in the butterfly.

- Blue
- Green
- Violet
STILL LIFE

Fill crayon colours in the still life as indicated in the picture.
DINOSAUR

Trace the outline with black sketch pen and fill the colours.
GOOSE

Fill sketch pen colours of same shade in the goose and complete the picture.
LION

Colour and complete the picture according to the colour of the dot.
**CRISS CROSS**

Fill the colours using sketch pen of same colours in a criss cross pattern as indicated in the picture.
FISH

Draw and colour as many fish as you can so that it is easy for rabbit to catch a fish.
CITY VIEW

Draw vertical and horizontal lines in the building as shown. Fill oil pastels in the circles and stars as indicated. Make the sky dark blue.
BOAT

Paste the straw on the boat on the dotted lines. Colour the picture with oil pastels.
STIPPLING

Complete the fish with sketch pen of same colour by putting the dots as shown. This form of art of using numerous small dots is called stippling.
SCENERY

Make dark line in the semi-circles as shown in the roof of the house and trunk of the tree. Colour the scenery.
Step by step make the crab.

Step 1

Step 2

Step 3
RABBIT

Colour the rabbit and the carrot with oil pastels. Complete the grass and ground.
HOME (greeting card)

Look at the steps carefully and make a greeting card.

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 
6. 

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CHART PAPER
Fill colours of your own choice.
Take rubber bands and paste it in the snail’s body. Colour it.
Draw and colour the flowers in the garden.
BIRD

1. Fold the square piece of paper corner to corner.

2. Fold the triangle in half.

3. Fold the front flap over, as shown by the dotted line. Turn the paper over and fold the back flap in the same way.

4. Make the wings, fold the front flap to stick out over the longer edge. Turn the paper over and fold the back flap in the same way.

5. Pull the beak down in between the two layers of paper. Crease it to make it stay in place. Fold up the feet on the front and the back.

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FINISHED
CATERPILLAR

Paste yellow glitter in caterpillar and orange in flower.
CLOWN

Take a cap of a pen, dip its circular part in different poster colours and put circular impressions on his dress.
HEN (Paper plate)

Make the hen with paper plate by observing the steps.

Steps

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FISH SCALES

Cut the fish scales given on the next page and paste it as shown.
SWAN (paper plate)

Observe the steps and make the swan with paper plate.

1. Fold the paper plate into half and open it.
2. Draw and cut the neck and head of the swan.
3. Cut the wing from the paper plate.
4. Paste the eye and the beak.

Method:

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ACTIVITY
BOY

Colour the boy with colours of your own choice.
Colour the Hippopotamus with crayon colours.
POTATO PRINTS

Put the potato impressions to make the flowers.
Colour the mother and the child with crayons as shown. Also, paste the sequins on mother’s saree.
Complete the pattern in the given space and fill colours in it.
NEWSPAPER FLOWERS

Cut petals from the newspaper one big and one small size. Paste it around the yellow circle to make flowers.

First paste the big petal and then small by overlapping it.

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**PENGUIN**

1. Take a square piece of paper. Fold in the sides to meet at the centre line.

2. Fold backwards along the center line.

3. Fold the two flaps on the outside.

4. Fold the two flaps on the inside once again.

5. Crease the top, open the fold to make penguin head. For the beak, fold inwards along the crease.

6. For the legs, crease the dotted line, fold inwards.
SEA VIEW

Take black sketch pen and draw the pattern as indicated on sea plants. Colour the fish.
MONKEY (wood waste)

Apply fevicol on the body of monkey and put wood waste on it.
Method:
1. Cut three pieces in straight line from an egg tray.
2. Colour it with deep yellow acrylic colour.
3. Let it dry and then draw the stripes using black colour sketch pen.
4. Paste the eyes and the wings.
5. Draw the lips.

Make honey bee by observing the steps.
WATER BIRD (mosaic painting) Colour the bird with sketch pens as shown.
STAND-UP SQUIRREL (CRAFT)

We will need
1. Scissors
2. Oil pastels

Method:
1. Make this cute squirrel, cut out the outline of the given squirrel.
2. Colour it with oil pastel colours.
3. Fold the squirrel’s arms and legs forward.
4. Fold the squirrel’s tail back.

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MAKE THE MOUSE PUPPET BY OBSERVING THE STEPS.

1. Cut a pink triangle from paper.
2. Cut two black circles for eyes.
3. Glue the eyes onto the pink triangle.
4. Cut and glue two orange ovals for ears.
5. Cut and glue two black curved lines for whiskers.
6. Cut and glue two black lines for a mouth.
7. Glue the pink triangle onto a stick.

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Chart paper
CROCODILE

Paste glitters to make the crocodile colourful.
TORTOISE (collage) Colour the tortoise and tear the green textured paper, paste on the white portion on its back.