MIXED MEDIA SELF PORTRAITS

I AM
creative
kind
curious
unique

Show who you are. Your story, your art.

Students create expressive portraits using drawing, collage, texture, words, and symbols.

Grade Level
Middle School

Time Needed
60–90 minutes

Skills Developed
- Self-expression
- Composition
- Symbolism

Inclusive Adaptations
- Allow abstract portraits.
- Offer texture-based options.
- Let students choose words, images, or colors.



Simple Steps!

1. Think about who you are. List words, symbols, or images that describe you.



2. Sketch your face or use a mirror for reference.



3. Add color, collage, texture, and symbols that tell your story.



4. Add words, patterns, and finishing details.



5. Share your portrait and the story behind it.



Every face tells a story. Every story matters.

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