

10 TIPS TO INTEGRATE COLLAGE

1. Layer another piece or overlap collage on top of original piece; use that same paper somewhere else on the page in another shape (either larger or smaller- NOT the same size)
2. Draw onto collage AND the background- lines, dashes, dots, etc
3. Hide part of the paper edge by adding paint and "blending" into the page
4. Use a color "wash or glaze" over collage and background; can wipe away some of the wash to create more interest
5. Use watered down paint and water or ink and "sprinkle" color onto collage and background
6. If you cut the paper and it is a hard edge, try using washi tape or deli paper to soften and blend; can add a torn piece on top of
7. Stencil over the collage and background either with paint or a texture paste
8. Dry brush white or a neutral color over collage and back ground
9. Be mindful of paper placement- consider using the rule of thirds for placement or the impact of orientation (horizontal vs vertical)
10. Be cognizant over imagery and types of papers being used. Sometime imagery can be too much.