

Exquisite Corpse Collage

Around 1916 several artists began a movement called **Dadaism**. The movement protested the madness of war (WWI), and the artists created works that shocked others. Dadaists sought to celebrate the unpredictable and sometimes worked collaboratively on projects. This movement was followed by **Surrealism**.

One activity the Dadaists and Surrealists liked to do when they got together was called "The Exquisite Corpse." The artists took turns drawing various parts of a figure they invented on the spot. The fun part was that they switched drawings so each person drew a different part of the body, and they didn't look at what each person had drawn until the very end so the completed drawing was a surprise!

For this Art assignment, we will be creating a type of Exquisite Corpse based on **facial proportions**. Each completed artwork will be the combined work of 4 students. We will begin by reviewing facial proportions and, after a demonstration by the teacher, you will each create a **collage** that meets the following requirements.

- You must use **designs** or **themes** in the different areas of your collage to create **contrast**.
- You must create an interesting and **unique** collage. ****Do not copy another student's work!**
- Your pieces may be cut or torn, but should **overlap** and fill the paper.
- Your portion of the face must show an understanding of **facial proportions** as explained by the teacher.
- You may NOT cut out whole eyes, lips, noses, ears, or any other facial feature to use as eyes, lips, noses, ears, etc. in your collage.
(You may, however, use those features as part of larger areas of your collage.)
- You may add details like hair or jewelry.

Here is an example of the simplified **Facial Proportions** we will use for this assignment.

- **Eyes** are $\frac{1}{2}$ way between top of head and chin
- Bottom of **nose** is $\frac{1}{2}$ way between eyes and chin
- **Mouth** is $\frac{1}{2}$ way between nose and chin and is slightly wider than the bottom of the nose
- Top of **Ears** aligns with eyes. Bottom aligns with nose.

