

ABOUT THE ARTWORK



Georgette Chen. *Tropical Fruits*. 1969.
Oil on canvas, 72 x 92cm. Collection of
National Gallery Singapore.

Tropical Fruits

by Georgette Chen

Tropical Fruits reflects the strong connection artist Georgette Chen felt to Singapore. This work is a still life, a type of drawing that depicts commonplace objects. How do artists use light and shadow in such works?

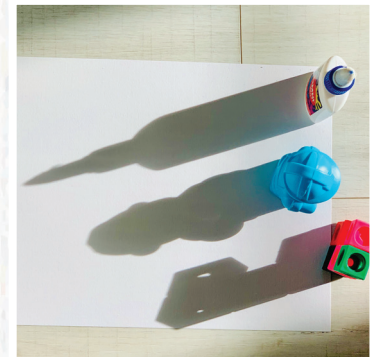
MATERIALS

You will need these items for the activity:

1. Printout of Shadow Template
2. Scissors
3. Colouring materials like markers, colour pencils or crayons.

TIP: Find sculptures or 3D objects around the house which you can cast shadows with!

Adult supervision is recommended for this activity as it involves the use of sharp objects like scissors.



CREATE

Create Art With Your Own Shadows!

Learn about how light and shadow interact with everyday objects

1. Cut along the bold lines in the Shadow Template.
2. Fold back A along the dotted line.
3. Use a torchlight to cast a shadow of A onto B. Trace the shadow with a marker.
4. Move the torchlight or adjust B to change the shape of the shadow! Trace this new shape. Repeat this step as many times as you wish.
5. Colour the line art that you have created.

EXPLORE

Get a family member to help you trace your shadow on the floor with chalk. Explore the different shapes that you can create by moving your body.

SHADOW TEMPLATE

