

Activity Title:	Create a “Not a Box”
Timeframe:	2 ~40 Minute Blocks
Big Ideas and/or Essential Questions:	Essential Question- How can I turn a box into something new?
PA Standards:	<p>Next Generation Science Standards Practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -Asking Questions • -Planning and carrying out investigations • -Constructing explanations and designing solutions
Learning Target(s):	I can use materials to create a “not a box.”
Materials:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Book: “Not a Box” by Antoinette Portis - White Paper for Blueprinting - Small Boxes (Tissue, Shoe box) - Scissors - Crayons/Markers - Recyclable Materials / Craft Supplies
Activity Procedures:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Read story 2. Discuss “Creation” and revisit effective communication & collaboration strategies 3. Give each group a sheet of white paper and colored pencils to blueprint their not a box. They should include a material list in their blueprint. 4. Once blueprints have been approved by teacher...Give each group a box and allow them choice of recyclable materials / craft supplies. 5. Makerspace: Turn your box into a “NOT a BOX” 6. Bring group together to talk about their Not A Box creations. Allow time for share out & celebration.

	<p>Wrap-up discussion: How did you use creativity today? What does it mean to be creative?</p> <p><u>Extension Activity:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have students create the next page of the story. They can illustrate their “not a box.” and then have the students extend the text that is already in the book “It’s not a box, it’s my castle....”
Assessments:	<p>Class Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How did you use creativity today? What does it mean to be creative?

