

Glorious Gloves!

In paintings, gloves are not just about warm hands. Gloves were often a symbol of wealth and importance or given as gifts of love! Very grand ones were sometimes given to Queen Elizabeth I by other kings and wealthy people. The cuffs were often covered with gold embroidery, jewels, fur trimmings and beautiful designs. The pair below were worn by a very rich man around 1600.



Make your own glorious glove.

- Print out Page 2 twice.
- Place your hand with your wrist at the top of the cuff and draw around your fingers
- Cut out both sheets together, so you have two copies exactly the same-
Leave a bit of extra width for the glue
- Decorate your cuffs and glove backs as magnificently as you can with paints, pens, beads, jewels, shiny paper, foil or fabric scraps.
- Brush a thin line of glue all around the edges and glue together.
- Leave to dry completely (be patient)
- Slide your hand inside and take a selfie portrait of yourself displaying your glorious glove!

Further ideas

Print page 3 and decorate a grand frame for your selfie portrait with your glove.

Cut out and glue to a sheet of card. (A side from a cereal box would be ideal).

Glue your portrait photo in the middle. You could give it to someone you love!

Draw round your hand, leaving some extra space for the glue. Cut out 2 copies, around your hand and the cuff. Decorate the cuffs. Make sure you decorate a left and a right, so you can glue them together!

Place wrist here



