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**Jean Van't Hul : The Artful Parent: Simple Ways to Fill Your Family's Life with Art and Creativity--Includes over 60 Art Projects for Children Ages 1 to 8** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Artful Parent: Simple Ways to Fill Your Family's Life with Art and Creativity--Includes over 60 Art Projects for Children Ages 1 to 8:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. More than just art projects - easy and attainable ways to nurture creativity at homeBy leighThe Artful Parent is not just a book full of potential art projects that you can do with your kids. The Artful Parent is a thoughtful exploration into how to create an environment that is easier to offer art projects and creative sessions for your children- from how children view art projects to setting up the space in your home to

make it easy to access projects for your creative offspring. There are also art projects within the book. What I really enjoy about Jean Van't Hul's projects is that from start to end, they are easy to accomplish. If you sift through Pinterest or the endless blogs of fanciful (and complicated) projects, you don't always get what you set out for. The projects are too complicated and end up frustrating the caregiver and the child. The projects that you find in *The Artful Parent*, as well as Van't Hul's blog and eBooks, are well thought out, easy to execute and keep my child (a boy) interested in doing and learning more.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Dust off those art supplies! By Erika C. Art in my home consisted of free access to Crayola crayons, printer paper, and maybe scissors, with a project, using different mediums, thrown in occasionally that would end up leaving my children frustrated when they couldn't create exactly what was in the picture or replicate a pre-made sample. What a blessing it was to stumble upon the author's blog, *The Artful Parent*. How I offered art to my children changed dramatically. I love books. Having all the inspiration, how to, creative ideas, and more in a book I can flip through is wonderful. Most of the ideas for making art in this book are open ended so my kids are excited or at least content with the results of their making. As a homeschooling mom, I have collected an assortment of art supplies over the years and never really made use of them. *The Artful Parent* has inspired me to make our resources accessible and find real enjoyment in the process. Wonderful!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Learning from our children By Chris Not exactly tipping the scales here ...one of the highest rated books on . Yet, not overrated. Jean hits all of my buttons in terms of what I look for in a pedagogical approach to creative activity for kids. It's a human approach where exploration and experience in use of simple methods, graphic tools and materials weave together in moments of playful and spontaneous creative process and activity. The guidance in the book is both practical (hands-on examples) and theoretical. There is appropriate depth and context from a number of sources and educational expert contributors. What are your kids doing? With this book, you come away with a foundation and a set of recipes for doing, making, and taking action - with your kids. Jean gives us a framework for better supporting their creative instincts by giving them work space, materials, guidance, and encouragement as curious explorers. And the great thing is that this adventurous approach for supporting our kids offers so much to us as adults. I think Jean may agree with me that we could learn from our children that to be human is to play and explore.

Bring out your children's creativity and imagination with more than 60 kids' art activities from the creator of [www.ArtfulParent.com](http://www.ArtfulParent.com). Art making is a wonderfully fun way for young children to tap into their imagination, deepen their creativity, and explore new materials, all while strengthening their fine motor skills and developing self-confidence. *The Artful Parent* has all the tools and information you need to encourage your children's creativity through art. You'll learn how to set up an art space, how to talk to children about their artwork, how to choose the best art supplies (without breaking the bank), how to repurpose and organize the piles of art created, and even how to use kids' art activities to soften everyday transitions. The more than sixty engaging kids' arts and crafts projects included here are accessible and developmentally appropriate for one- to eight-year-olds, and they're a far cry from the cookie-cutter crafts many of us did in school as kids. From bubble prints to musical chairs art, these kids art activities allow children to explore art materials, techniques, and ideas as they grow more creative every day. With activities for downtimes, action art for releasing energy, and recipes for making your own art materials, this book is your guide for raising an artful family.