This boy is watching a video in the Tibbals Learning Center. The video shows a clown applying his makeup. Clowns are funny performers who often work with the circus. The most common identifying feature of a clown is their bold makeup, where the clown's face is often painted entirely white and then exaggerated with colors and bold black lines around the eyes and mouth.

Today, you have the chance to design your own clown makeup mask!

But simply wearing clown makeup does not make you a clown. According to Christopher Sullivan, a former clown with the Greatest Show on Earth, “Being a clown is more than just putting on a red nose and a costume….A clown is a humorous reflection of the world around him. I wholeheartedly believe that from the time people encounter a clown they forget about their own worries and issues for a little while.”

**ACTIVITY**

**MATERIALS:**
MAKEUP TEMPLATE ON THE NEXT PAGE, SCISSORS, CRAYONS OR COLORED PENCILS

**DIFFICULTY LEVEL:** SIMPLE

**DIRECTIONS**

1. Print and cut out your template. Ask a grown up to help cutting out the eyes. If you don’t have a printer at home, try sketching a mask on a blank sheet of paper.

2. Use the crayons to add makeup to your clown face.

3. Tape a wooden dowel or stick to the back of your template to use it as a mask.

**STANDARDS:**
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