

ASSEMBLAGES

Anything can be art!

Some artists make sculptures by putting together everyday objects. These sculptures are called assemblages and they can be made out of anything! Some artists use the same object again and again, as in Mr. Imagination's *Bottlecap Figure with Mirror*. Others use all different kinds of things to make their art. Simon Sparrow, for instance, used shells, jewelry, beads, and buttons.



Mr. Imagination (Gregory Warmack), *Bottlecap Figure with Mirror*, 1991, bottlecaps and mirror on wood, Smithsonian American Art Museum



Simon Sparrow, *Assemblage with Found Objects*, after 1960, wood, costume jewelry, keychains, Smithsonian American Art Museum



Unidentified artist, *Untitled (Memory Jug)*, 19th century, clay and found objects, Smithsonian American Art Museum

Can you imagine making your own assemblage?

How would you use these everyday objects to build your own work of art? Draw the sculpture you would create with these objects!

