What do you think about mistakes or accidents? Some people think abstract paintings like this one look like they were painted by accident. It is full of thick brushstrokes, drips and splashes that almost look like spills of paint.

What do you think of this painting by Angelo Ippolito? Do you see splashes of paint? How many colors do you see in this painting? Can you name the colors you see?

After you talk about surprises and accidents, do the art activity. It starts with a beautiful oops, which you turn into something special.

For this activity you will need:
- paper
- colored paper
- scissors
- glue
- markers or something to draw with
- small cups
- paint
- colored paper

To make your beautiful oops:

1. There are two ways to make your “oops.” Cut out or tear some random shapes out of paper, drop them on another piece of paper and glue them down wherever they fall. OR you can thin paint with water and spill it on your paper using an eye-dropper or a (very) small amount in a cup.

2. Once your “oops” is dry, use your markers to add details.