

Sarah



My collage is a cactus/palm tree with the Sandia mountains and balloons in the background. I chose the cactus because there are a lot of cacti in the Southwest, so they are an integral part of my life. The palm tree was chosen because I feel that you associate palm trees with California beaches, which represents the tourist side of America, as many tourists from all over the world come to California to visit the beaches and landmarks, like Hollywood. The cactus/palm tree also has a Santa hat because I think that Christmas is a very American holiday, and this cactus/palm tree is also bearing gifts much like Santa gives gifts to children. The gifts are all very American products, like coffee. Finally, the background is unique to New Mexico, with our mountains and famous balloons.

To finish the collage, you should try to find a nature symbol (it can be a fusion of multiple plants) that represents China, or the part of China you live in. This symbol should also bear gifts of items unique to China. The background should represent you and show an aspect of your daily life. Finally, the collage should be made out of items (like newspapers) that you use regularly. Through this collage, I wanted to show certain aspects of American culture that others might not consider (like Costco or

我的拼贴画是仙人掌/棕榈树，背景是桑迪亚山脉和热气球。我选择仙人掌是因为西南部有很多仙人掌，所以它们是我生活中不可或缺的一部分。之所以选择棕榈树，是因为我认为您会将棕榈树与代表美国旅游胜地的加利福尼亚海滩联系在一起，因为来自世界各地的许多游客来到加利福尼亚参观海滩和地标，例如好莱坞。仙人掌/棕榈树也有圣诞老人的帽子，因为我认为圣诞节是一个非常美国的假期，而且这种仙人掌/棕榈树还带有礼物，就像圣诞老人给孩子们送礼物一样。礼物都是非常美国化的产品，例如咖啡。最后，背景是新墨西哥州独特的背景，我们的山脉和著名的热气球。

要完成拼贴，您应该尝试找到代表中国或您所居住的中国部分的自然符号（可以是多种植物的融合）。此符号还应带有中国特有的礼物。背景应该代表您，并显示您日常生活的一个方面。最后，拼贴应该由您经常使用的物品（例如报纸）制成。

通过这张拼贴画，我想展示人们可能不会考虑的美国文化的某些方面（例如 Costco 或金鱼饼干），同时也让观众了解我作为新墨西哥人的生活。我希望您也可以通过拼贴的另一半来展示这一点。

goldfish), while also giving my audience a look into my life as a New Mexican. I hope that you can likewise show this through the other half of the collage.