Swirl Postcard
Based on the age-old principle that oil and water don’t mix, this marbleized paper is one of those projects that looks difficult but is easy enough for a six-year-old.

MATERIALS
Tupperware container, or aluminum foil or plastic takeout containers
Small plastic eyedroppers
Two or more colors of enamel paint (the kind used for models)
Toothpicks or sticks
A pack of white watercolor postcards or index cards

1. Fill your container halfway with water.
2. Using an eyedropper, add a few drops of paint in different colors to the water.
3. Swirl the colors with a toothpick or stick.
4. Drop a blank card on the water.
5. After a second or two, carefully lift the card straight up and set it aside to dry on newspaper or paper towels.
6. When it’s completely dry, if the card curls, place it beneath a heavy book for a couple of days to flatten the edges.

Tip: You may want to clear the water between card dips by dragging a toothpick through the water.