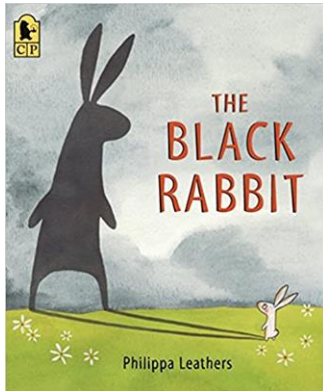


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Want to enjoy Tiny Thursdays at home? Explore a DAI artwork, watch a virtual read-aloud story and then follow along with project instructions found below!

Drawn Silhouettes

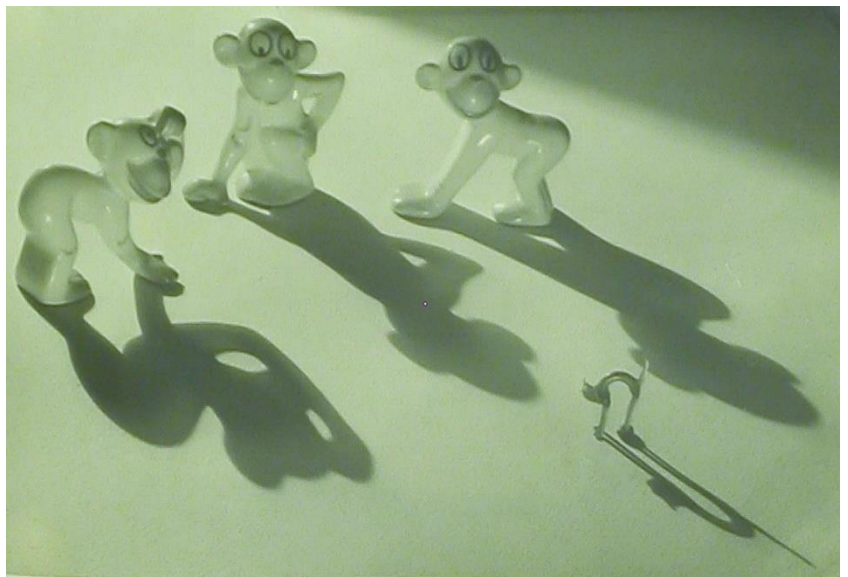


Description: young artists learn about shadows and friendship and use drawing, cutting and gluing skills to explore lines and silhouettes in their art.

Story: [“The Black Rabbit”](#) written and illustrated by Philippa Leathers (Candlewick; 2016).

Let’s Talk about this Artwork!

- What do you notice about the size of the animals?
- What are these animals doing?
- How do you think the cat feels?
 - How might the monkeys feel?
- Notice the **silhouettes**—the shape of the animals’ bodies in their shadows. How are the silhouettes different from the animals’ bodies?
- This picture has a plain background. If you made this, what kind of background would you add?
 - Where do you imagine these animals would be meeting each other?



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Supplies Needed

- 1) one: 9"x12" colored construction paper
- 2) one: 9"x12" drawing paper
- 3) many colored pencils
- 4) scissors
- 5) glue stick

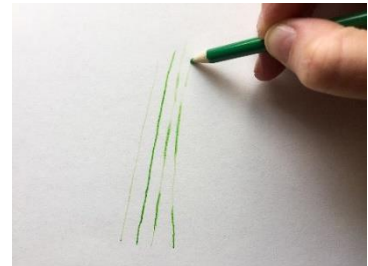
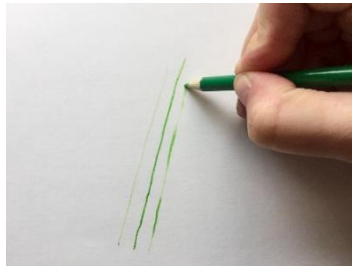


Project Skills

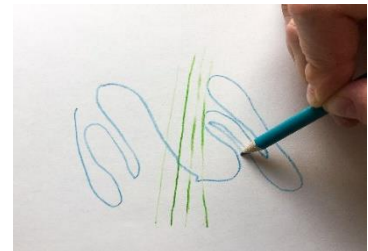
- 1) Fine / Gross Motor:
 - a) Cutting
 - b) Gluing
 - c) Drawing
- 2) Language development
 - a) Expressive: speaking
 - b) Receptive: listening
 - c) Discussing
- 3) Shape identification
- 4) 21st-Century:
 - a) Creativity
 - b) Problem-solving
 - c) Collaborating

Project Instructions

- 1) We are going to start with a straight line but change the pressure we use as we draw. Notice how the line gets thinner when you press lightly and thicker when you press more heavily.



- 2) Using a new color, make big smooth, flowy, swirly lines on your paper. Try not to lift your pencil from the paper.

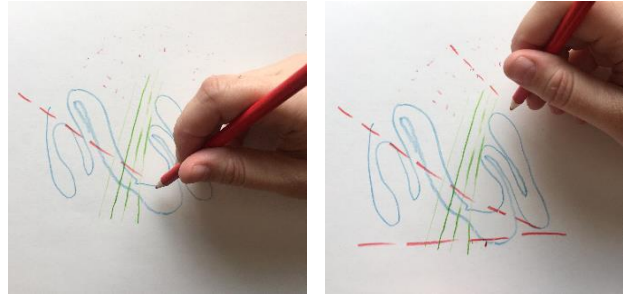


- 3) Choose another color and try something called **stippling**. Poke the paper with your pencil to make a line made of dots.

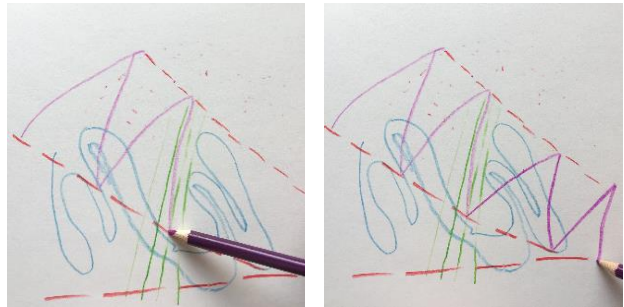


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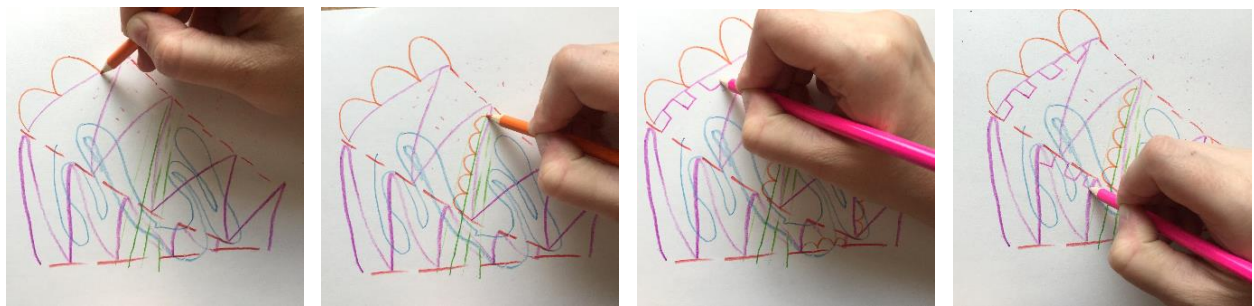
- 4) Next, choose a new color and make dashed, or broken, lines. Try to keep going in a straight line while lifting the pencil up and setting it back down.



- 5) Switch to another new color and make a zigzag line. Find an area to bounce back and forth between with your pencil.



- 6) Change color again to make curved lines, then make boxy lines in yet another new color.



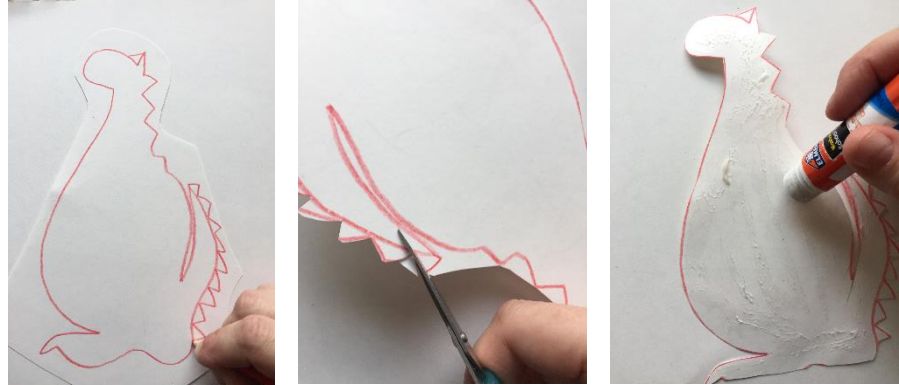
- 7) Your choice! Try loops, swirls, or any other types of lines to fill in the rest of your picture.



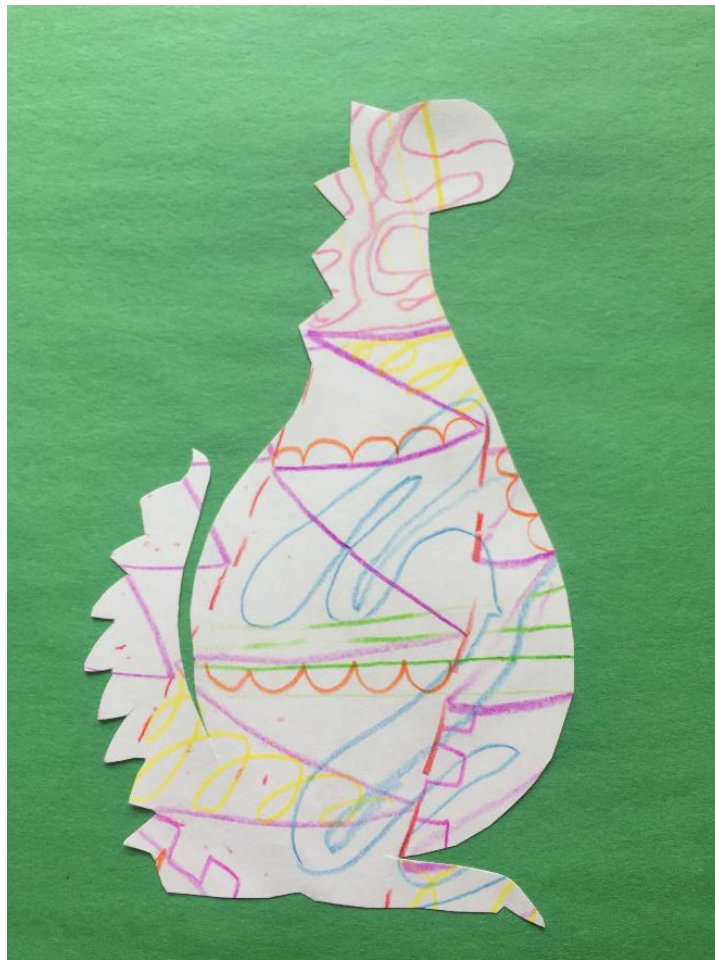
- 8) Cut your line drawing out from its paper, cutting around but not on the edges of the drawing.



- 9) Flip the cut-out drawing over. Look at the backside. What does it look like? Does it remind you of a creature? Draw a silhouette, or outline of a creature or object that fits onto the backside of your line drawing.



- 10) Once drawn, cut the creature/object out more closely. Glue this silhouette onto your piece of colored construction paper, (your line drawing will be face-up.)



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