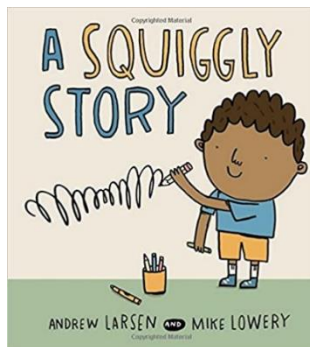


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Enjoy Tiny Thursdays at home! Explore a DAI artwork, watch a virtual read-aloud story, and then follow along with project instructions found below!

### **Squiggly Story Drawing!**



**Description:** young artists hear about how to write a story and then create a squiggly story drawing using different lines, colors, shapes, and letters!

**Story:** [“A Squiggly Story”](#) written by Andrew Larsen and illustrated by Mike Lowery (Kids Can Press; 2016)

### **Let’s talk about this artwork!**



- What do you see?
- This artwork is titled, “Still Life with Yellow Vase”.
  - Can you find shapes that look like a vase?
  - Look for other types of shapes. What more can you find?
- Parts of the artwork are filled in with solid colors. Other areas are filled in with lines.
  - Can you find thick lines?
  - How about thin lines?
  - What shapes have more than one color?

## Materials Needed

- 1) white medium-weight paper
- 2) colored markers or pencils
- 3) black marker

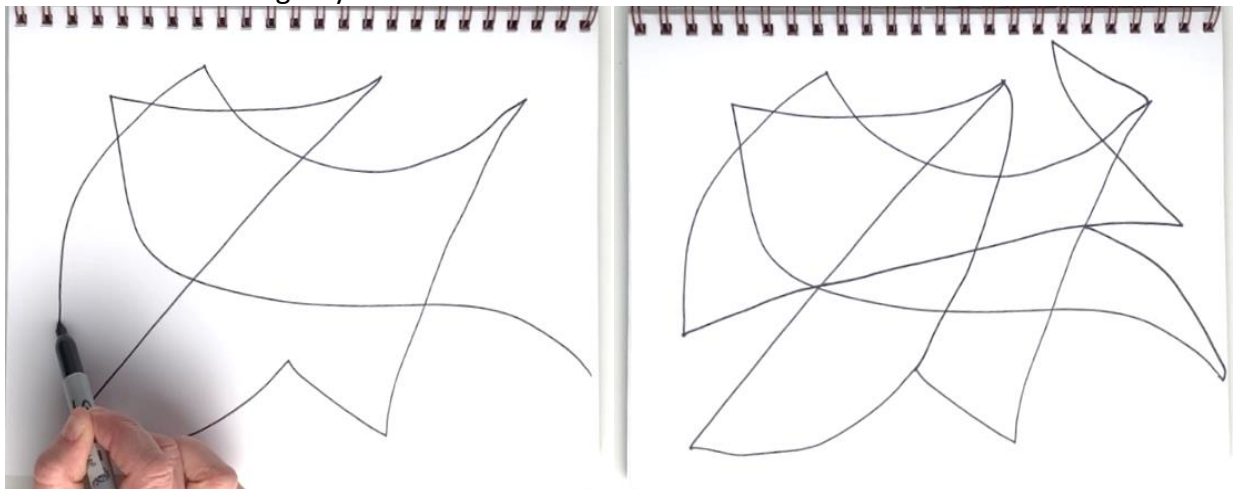


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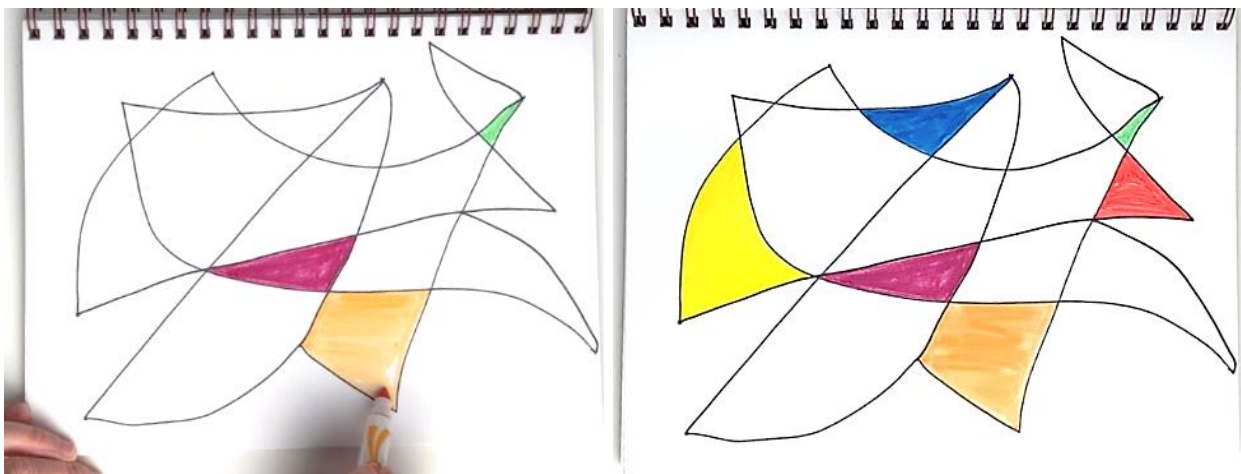
- 1) Fine / Gross Motor:
  - a) drawing
  - b) patterns
  - c) coloring
- 2) Language development:
  - a) expressive: speaking
  - b) receptive: listening
  - c) discussing
- 3) 21<sup>st</sup>-Century:
  - a) creativity

## Project Instructions

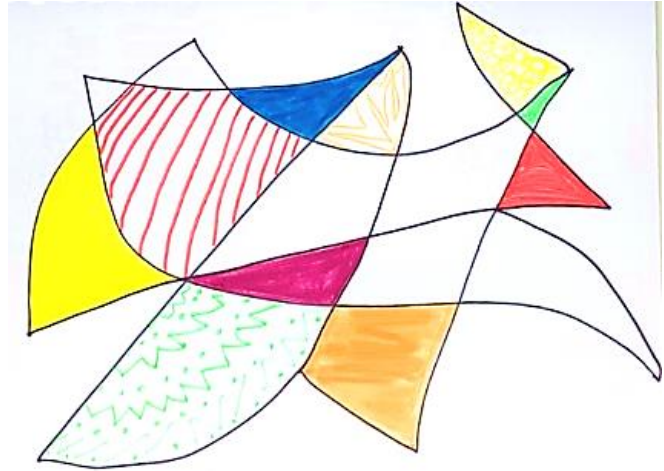
- 1) Starting on the edge of the paper, draw a line without lifting the black marker from the paper. Try to cross over your drawn lines with curved and straight ones. This will create enclosed spaces to fill in with colors or patterns. Sing your ABC's or tell a story about where the line is traveling as you draw.



- 2) Fill in only some areas with solid colors. Leave the rest without color for now.



- 3) In a few of your empty areas, draw different patterns and designs like stripes, zigzags, squiggles. You can even use shapes of alphabet letters that you know!



- 4) Try **stippling** or pressing your marker tip against the paper to make dots. You can cross lines to make a star-like design or make them intersect. Make your choices a part of the story you are telling.

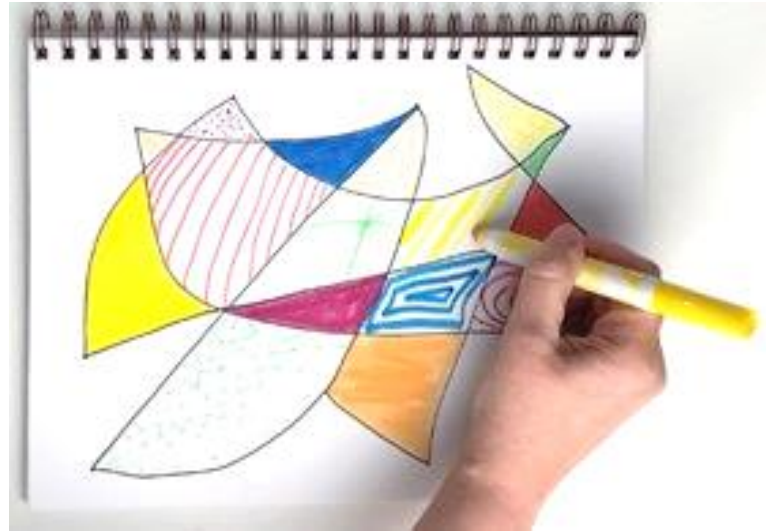


- 5) Next, select some areas to fill in with different shapes. Try using circles, spirals, squares, rectangles, triangles, or other shapes.

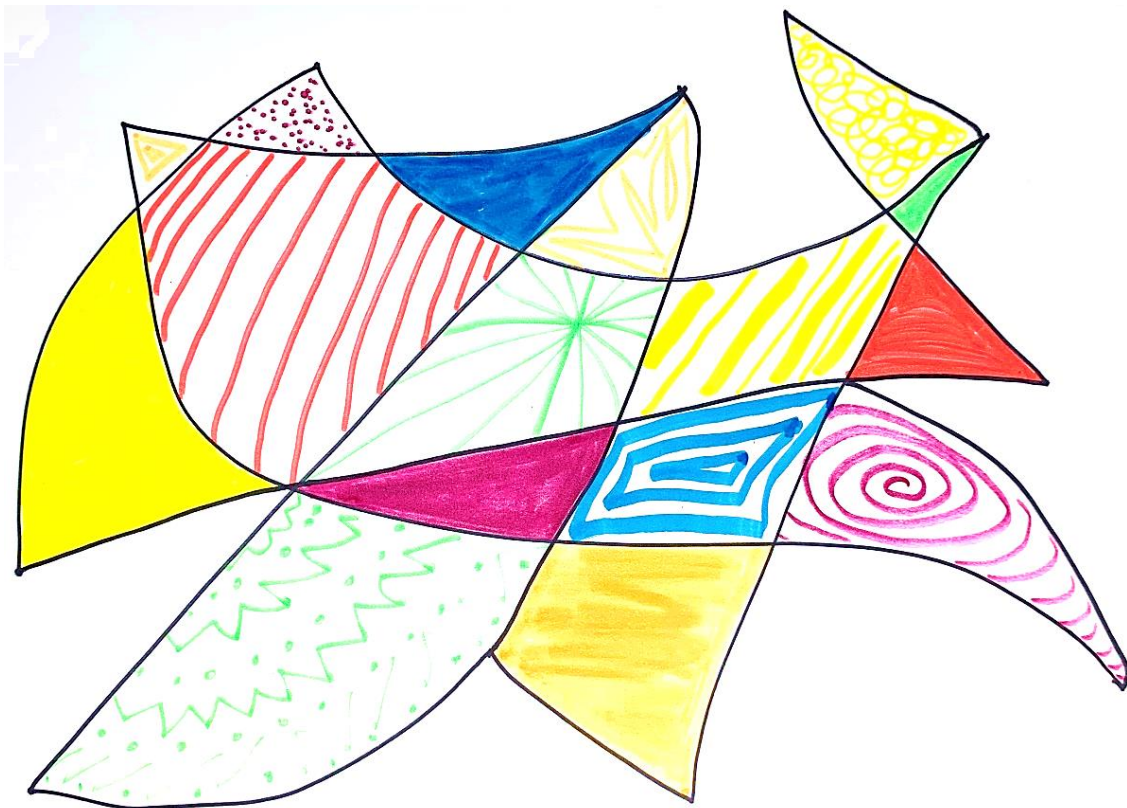


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- 6) Try changing how thin or thick your lines are by pressing harder or leaning the tip of the marker to the side for thicker lines. Press the marker's tip into the paper more lightly for thinner lines.



- 7) Your hard work has paid off beautifully! What picture story will you tell next?



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