

LET'S GET CREATIVE!

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Line and Color

Have you ever noticed all the lines that make up a piece of art? How many different types of lines do you see in the work below by artist Bruce Herman? How many different types of lines can you think of? Which kind of line is your favorite?



Bruce W. Herman, *Walking the Great Ledge: Summer*, 2009–2010. Oil, alkyd resins on wood. Gift of the artist, 2012 [#2012.1.1].

This art project will focus on line and color.

Let's learn about different types of lines that can be used to make up a piece of artwork and then use those different types of lines to create artwork of our own. For this project you will need: a pencil, two pieces of paper, coloring materials, and a sharpie or black marker. For more inspiration [follow the link here](#) to listen to a reading of *Lines that Wiggle* by Candace Whitman.

VOCABULARY

Line – An element of art which refers to the continuous mark made on a surface from one point to another.

Vertical – The top of an object being directly above its bottom.

Composition – The arrangement or placement of visual elements in a piece of artwork.

Organic shape – Natural shapes that cannot be measured mathematically.

Color family – A specific family based off the color wheel.

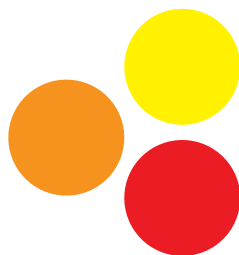
Warm colors – Colors that contain a large amount of yellow (sun & fire).

Cool colors – Colors that contain a large amount of blue (oceans & ice).

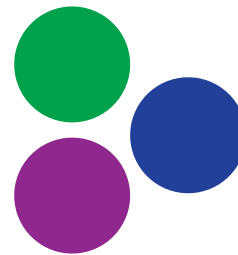
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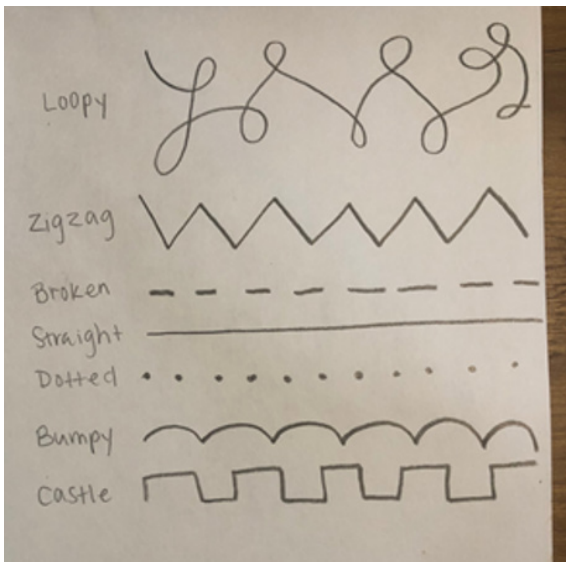


Warm Colors



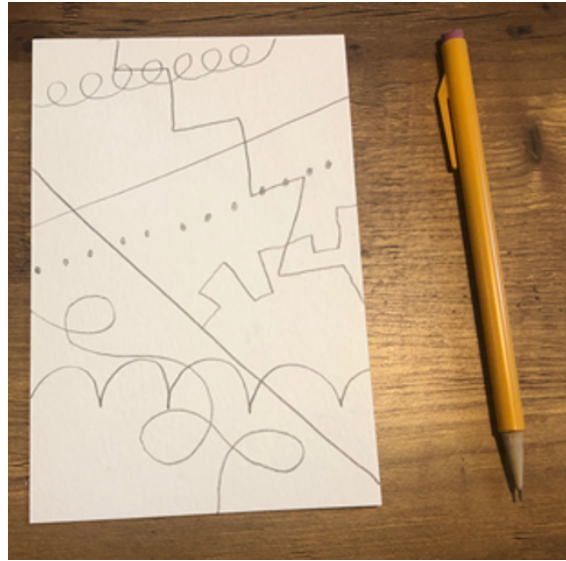
Cool Colors





STEP ONE

On the first sheet of paper, holding it vertically, beginning at the top start to draw the different types of lines that you know, it is possible to even invent your own line! I invented the castle line. If you know the names of the lines you put down onto your paper, write in their names as you draw them.



STEP TWO

On your second piece of paper create a composition of the different types of lines you made on your first sheet. This time don't worry about working from top to bottom of your page, place the lines in whichever way you find the most interesting.

STEP THREE

Outline the line composition that you made with a sharpie or black marker.

STEP FOUR

Choose either a warm or cool color family to color in your composition. View each organic shape as a new space to color in. Try your best to not let any of the same colored shapes touch each other. I chose the cool color family: blue, purple, and green.

When you have completed your work, have a parent or guardian post your creation to Instagram.

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