VISUAL ARTS 2ND & 3RD GRADE ACTIVITIES

Introduction: Shapes are everywhere. We see them all around us. We see them inside buildings. We see them in nature. We even eat them for dinner! And we can make shapes too. There are geometric shapes, like the ones we use in math. Other shapes are called freeform because they are their own unique shape. We are going to review some favorite shapes, practice doing some shading, and then use shapes and shading in our own drawings.

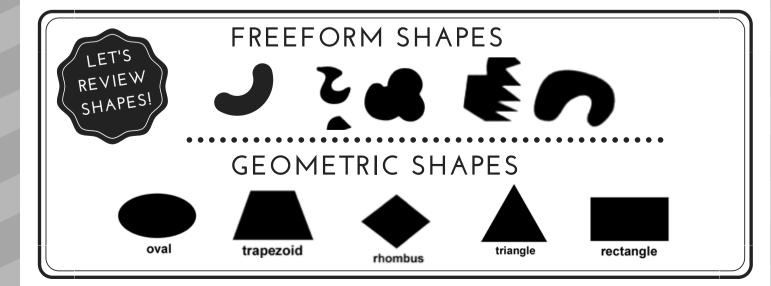
Materials: Something to draw with: a pencil or pen Optional: Crayon, colored pencils or markers

MENTOR ARTIST JOHN PARRA



John Parra is an award winner illustrator. He illustrated the book Round is a Tortilla. John grew up in San Diego. One day he met an artist that changed his thinking. John says, "Immediately I felt a connection, and a light bulb went off in my head that I too could infuse my background, culture, and personality into my work."





TRY DRAWING THESE SHAPES

ADD SHADING TO MAKE THEM LOOK 3-D

Draw a circle.

Shade in a dark moon shape.

Shade in a medium stripe.

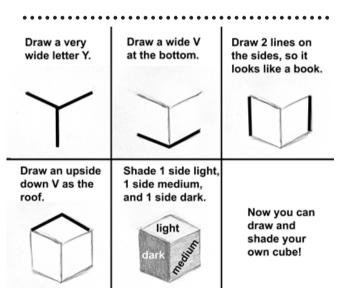
Lightly shade, leaving a white dot.

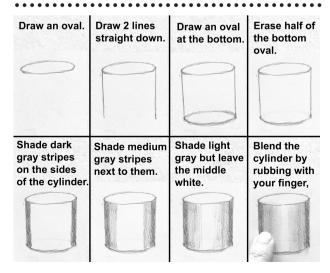
Blend by rubbing with your finger.

It's a sphere!

Draw your own sphere

Draw your own cube





Draw your own cylinder

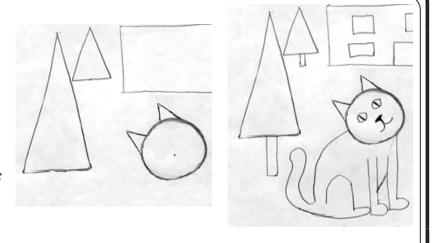


MAKING A SHAPE DRAWING



STEP 1

Draw some shapes on your paper, they can be random or thought out. These shapes will turn into your drawing! Once your page is filled, begin adding details.





STEP 2

Add different grays to some of your shapes. You can shade objects a light, medium, or dark gray.

STEP 3

Add extra shading to the edges of some of your shapes. It will make them look like they are 3-D and have shadows.



