

LESSON PLAN

AT-HOME ART PROJECT: Your Name/ Patterns About You **INSTRUCTIONS**

MATERIALS NEEDED FROM HOME:

- Pencil and Eraser
- Colored Pen or Marker (any color)
- Blank Piece of Paper (any size/any light color)

ART PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Participants will write out their name using a bold, open lettering font and fill each letter in with a pattern they like and/ or represents something about themselves.

Font is a collection of characters with a similar design. These characters include lowercase and uppercase letters, numbers, punctuation marks, and symbols.

Pattern is a repeated decorative design.

PROMPT QUESTIONS:

- What style of font/ lettering would tell the viewer something about your personality and also give you space to add patterns within it?
- When you look around in the world do you notice how companies use different fonts and patterns to represent themselves?
- What patterns can you choose that say something about your personality? (Ex: Flag pattern from your culture, textile pattern, make a pattern using objects you love like cupcakes, soccer balls, etc.)

ART MAKING PROCESS: (See photos below)

Step 1:

- Check out the photos and font examples included with this lesson to get inspiration for your art. Think about things you could draw that would tell the viewer something about you.

Step 2:

- Decide if you want to use your paper horizontally or vertically. Once you have decided, use your pencil to very lightly write the letters of your name onto the paper. This is to make sure all your letters will fit onto the page so if you have to erase and move the letters, now is the time. Letters can be next to each other, overlapping in parts, bouncing up and down the page, use your creativity! Just make it so the letters are in the correct order so you can read the name.

Step 3:

- Once you have your letters lightly drawn and they fit well on the page, with your pencil draw in your font and make sure to leave space in your letters to add your patterns.

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Step 4:

- After all your letters are drawn in pencil, take your marker and draw over all the lines around your letters. Once they are all outlined in marker, give them a second to dry and then erase any pencil lines that you don't want to see on your artwork.

Step 5:

- At this step you can decide if you want to use your pencil to draw your patterns into every letter (Step 5A) or if you want to skip the pencil and add your patterns in with your marker (Step 5B). If you use the pencil first, once you have finished all the pencil drawing you will go over all those lines with the marker (Step 5C). Think about making some areas dark (filled completely with marker) and leaving some areas lighter to give your letters areas of contrast. Fill every letter space in, and you will be finished!

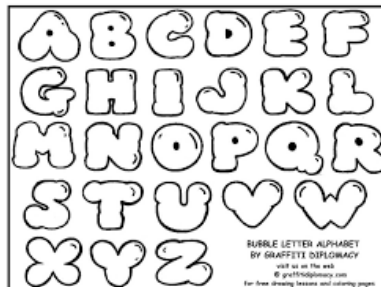
POST PROMPT QUESTIONS:

- Looking at your name art after you have finished, how do you think your personality comes through?
- Can you think of different drawings you could do using your family member's names that would have different patterns to show their different personalities?
- If you did this art project again a year from now would you change some of your patterns? Would some remain the same? What about thinking about 10 years from now?

EXTRA FUN:

Do more name art projects for people in your family or for your teacher or someone special to you in your community. Think about other word art projects you could do like the name of the city where you live or the city you were born in. Be creative!

EXAMPLES OF FONTS WITH SPACE FOR PATTERNS:



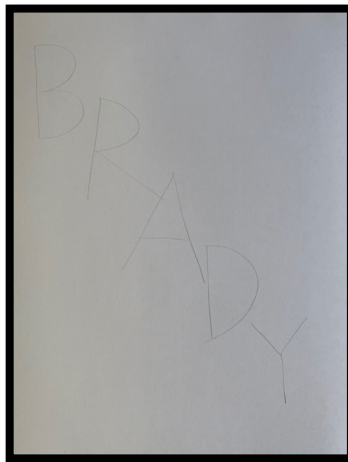
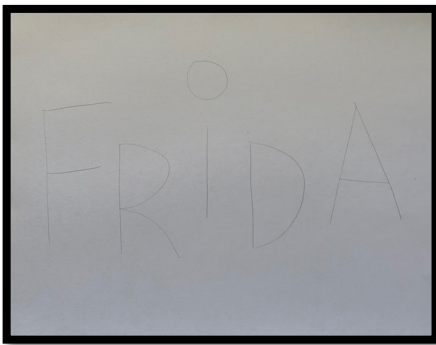
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ART MAKING PHOTOS:

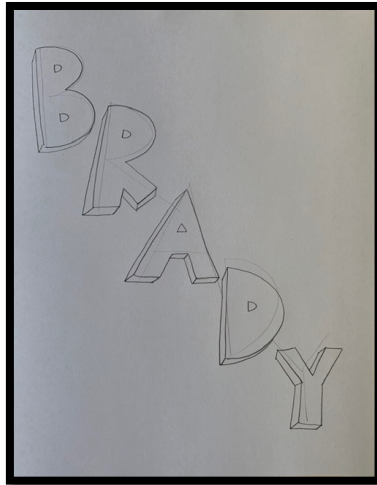
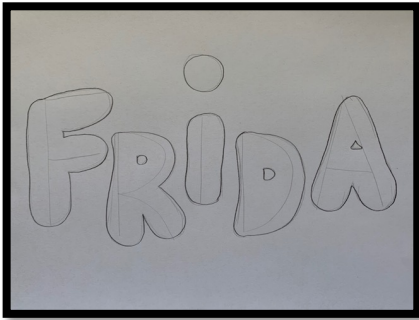
Step 1: See examples of fonts above

Step 2:

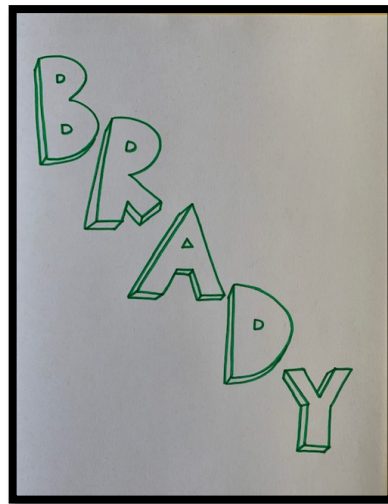
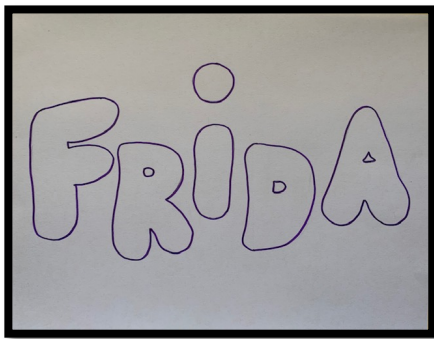


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Step 3:



Step 4:



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Step 5A:



Step 5B:



Step 5C:

