

Each week select one activity from the following to complete. Samples of each activities are also listed. As the school year is coming to an end, a couple of these activities will provide a moment of much needed reflection.

Activity 1: Drawing – *Patterned Hands, Negative Coloring*

-Materials: White Paper, Pencil, Eraser, Ruler, Color Pencils, Black Marker

-Directions:

- 1.) Place paper horizontally.
- 2.) With your ruler and pencil, draw straight horizontal lines. At least 8 lines.
- 3.) Trace both of your hands on the paper. From fingertips to your wrists. Do not overlap hands.
- 4.) In each row, draw a different pattern in pencil before tracing with black marker.
- 5.) With your color pencils, only color the background. Do not color the inside of the hands.

Activity 2: Watercolor Painting – *Dandelions*

-Materials: White Paper, Pencil, Eraser, Black Pen or Black Crayon, Watercolor Paints, Paintbrush, Water, Paper Towel

-Additional Materials: Placemat, Apron or T-Shirt

-Directions:

- 1.) Place your paper horizontally.
- 2.) Sketch lightly 3 circles in pencil and add stems. From the center of the circle, draw several diagonal lines with small stars at the ends.
- 3.) Trace pencil marks with a black pen or black crayon. I prefer the use of a black pen, but a black crayon works the same.
- 4.) With your watercolor paints, color your background with at least 3 colors of your choice.
- 5.) Gently form a ball with the paper towel and dab on the center of each dandelion. This will give your dandelions a different texture.

Activity 3: Reflection Coloring – *Mandalas*

-Materials: Mandala Sheet, Color Pencils or Markers

-Additional Material: Device for Music (preferably instrumental)

-History: Mandala is Sanskrit for “circle.” It is a spiritual and ritual symbol in Asian cultures. There are various types of mandalas and used for a multitude of purposes, both artistically and spiritually.

-Directions:

- 1.) Select one mandala to print. No printer? Feel free to recreate on a blank paper or make your own.
- 2.) Find a peaceful spot with little to no distractions. It can be your room or under a tree in the yard. Parents help your child find a decent spot. Keep toys, pets, and sibling interactions to a minimum as your child works.
- 3.) Based on preference: You may use your own playlist or the use the link provided. (I highly encourage listening to instrumental. Lyrics can be distracting.)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z3WV7cMWiwg>
- 4.) Color your mandala. Use colors to create a circular pattern. Do not rush! Clear your mind and focus on the music and colors.

Activity 4: Reflection Free Draw – Distance Learning

-Materials: Paper (any color), Pencil, Eraser, Any Coloring Supplies (Crayons, Color Pencils, Markers, Paints, etc.)

-Additional Materials: Placemat, Apron or T-Shirt

-Directions:

- 1.) Select at least one of the following questions:

What did you enjoy about distance learning? (studying in pjs, sleeping in, etc.)

What did you miss about school? (recess time with friends, your teachers, mass, etc.)

How did you stay in touch with your friends/teachers/family? (Zoom, phone call, etc.)

What was your favorite memory during 2nd grade?

- 2.) Instead of writing, draw your answer. Remember to sketch before coloring. Try not to use words. If you must, try to use less than 8 words. "A picture is worth a thousand words."

- 3.) There are no right or wrong answers. Everyone has a different response to this new experience. No samples will be provided.

Activity 5: Reflection – Portfolio (Preferably done during Wk. 10)

-Materials: 5-10 Art Projects

-Directions:

- 1.) From the beginning of the year to now, collect as many art projects that you can find. At least 5 to 10. Place in order from old to new.

- 2.) Discuss with your parents the following questions:

Which project was the most challenging?

Why do you think it was the most challenging? Was there a step or steps that made it challenging? What did you do to overcome or work around this step(s)?

Which project was the least challenging?

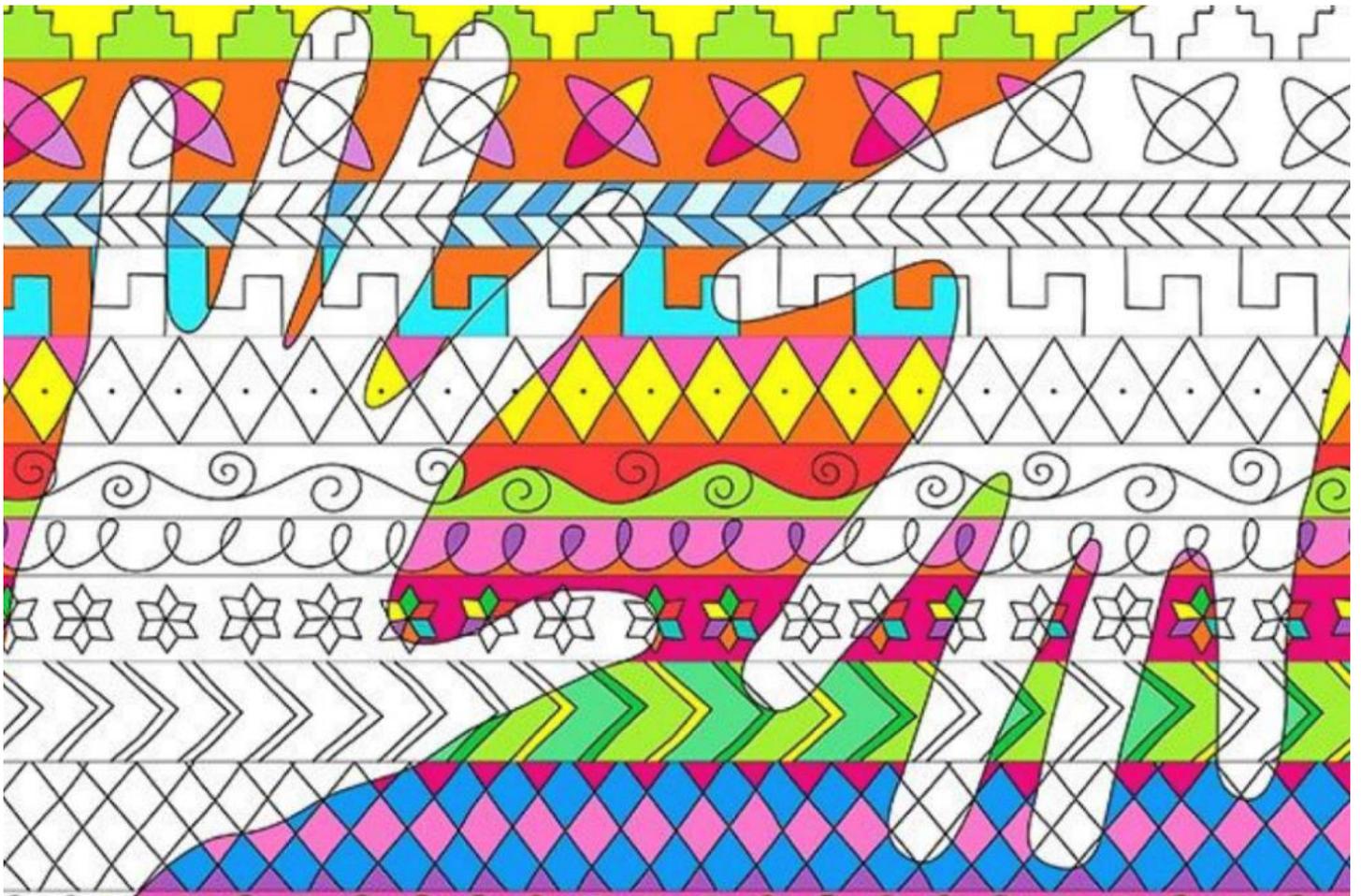
Why do you think it was the least challenging? What is something you would like to add to this project?

Which project did you had the most fun working on?

What made it fun?

3.) There are no right or wrong answers. Artists take notes of their projects to improve and reflect. No samples will be provided.

Activity 1



Activity 2



Activity 3

