

CREATURE DRAWING GAME

You can use art to play a game! This game is full of surprises, and you and the people you play with will create new creatures.

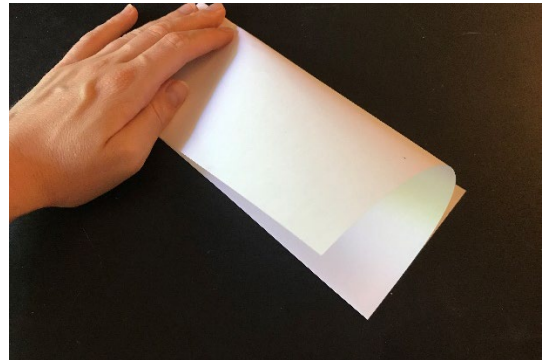
GATHER THESE MATERIALS

- Blank paper
- Something to draw with (like a pencil, pen, marker, or crayon)
- A partner or group

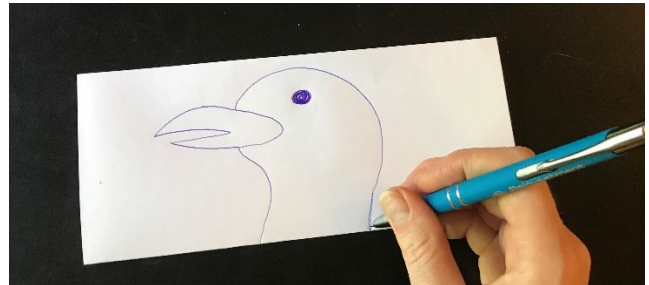
If you don't have a partner or group with you, you can do this through the mail!

START PLAYING

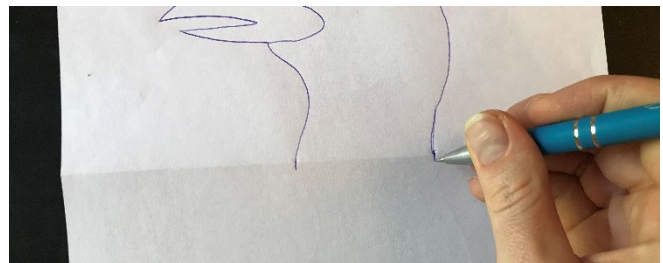
1. Fold your paper into thirds. Keep it folded, and have the top of your paper visible.



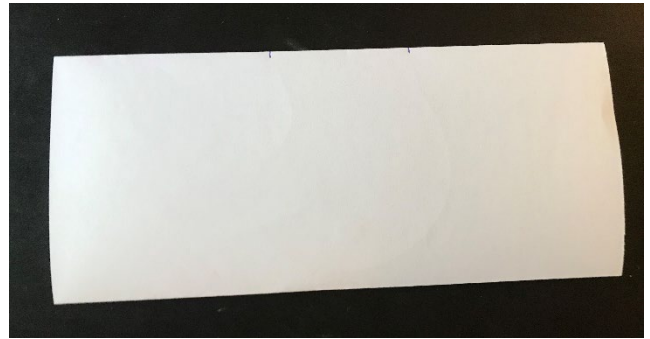
2. Draw a head and neck for your creature. Make sure its neck reaches the fold of the paper.



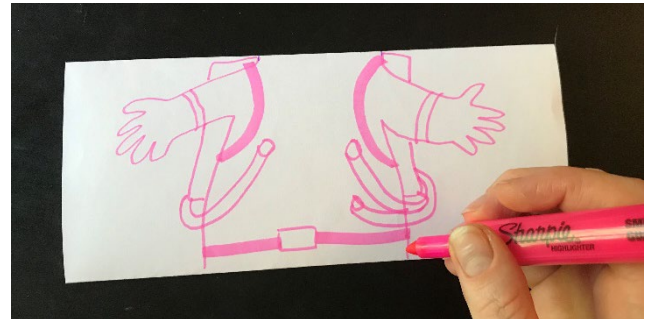
3. Unfold your paper. Extend the lines of your creature's neck a little bit below the fold at the top.



4. Re-fold your paper so that the middle and bottom thirds are on the outside. Trade papers with a partner, or sit in a circle and have everyone pass your paper to your left.



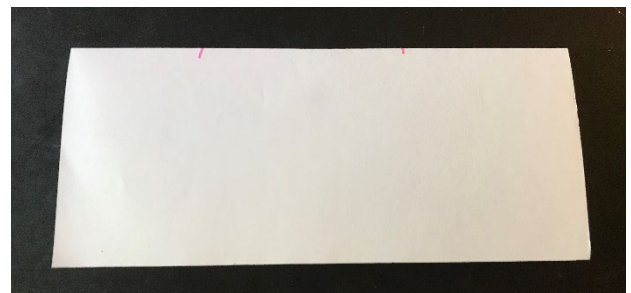
5. Find the bottom of the neck lines on your new paper. Starting there, draw the middle of your creature. This could be its torso and arms, a long snake body, or anything else you know or can imagine! Make sure your creature's hips reach the fold at the bottom of the paper.



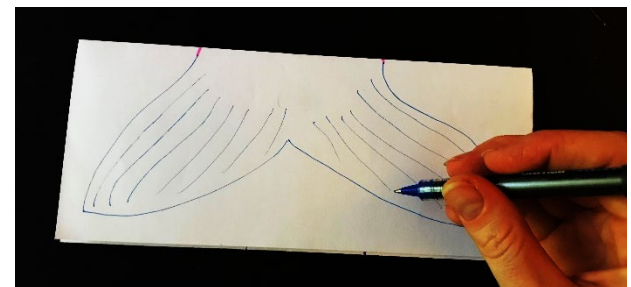
6. Unfold only the bottom of your paper. Extend the lines of your creature's middle a little bit before the fold at the bottom.



7. Refold your paper so that the bottom third is on top. Trade papers with a partner, or pass your paper to your left.



8. Find the bottom of the hip lines on your new paper. Starting there, draw the bottom of your creature. This could be its legs, fins, roots, or anything else you know or can imagine!



9. Unfold your whole paper and reveal the creatures your group created!



KEEP PLAYING

- Based on what your creature's body looks like, where might it live? What might it eat? How might it move? What special adaptations does it have to survive? What is your creature's name?
- Can you make a whole world of creatures?
- What was it like to create something together? Did things surprise you? Were the creatures more inventive than they would have been if you created them by yourself? Was anything frustrating about working with a group?
- If you can't be together with your partner or group, send your drawings through the mail as a long distance pass.

Communities contain many perspectives and strengths. Working together can lead to surprising new ideas. Sometimes things don't go how we planned, but we can learn from our experience to make our community stronger.