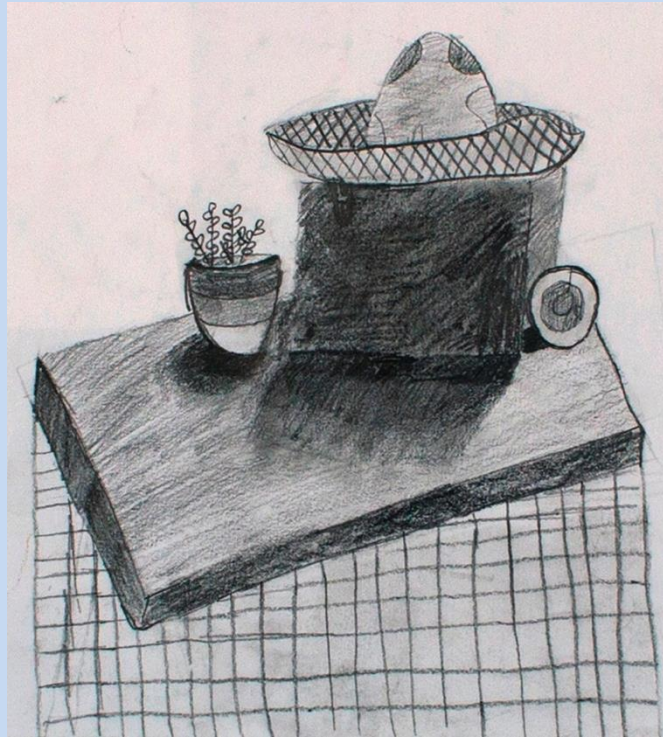
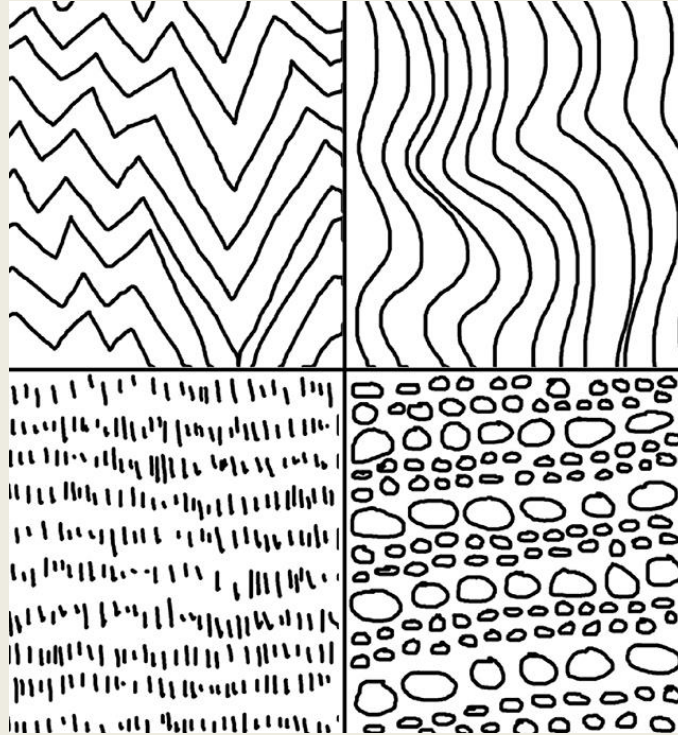


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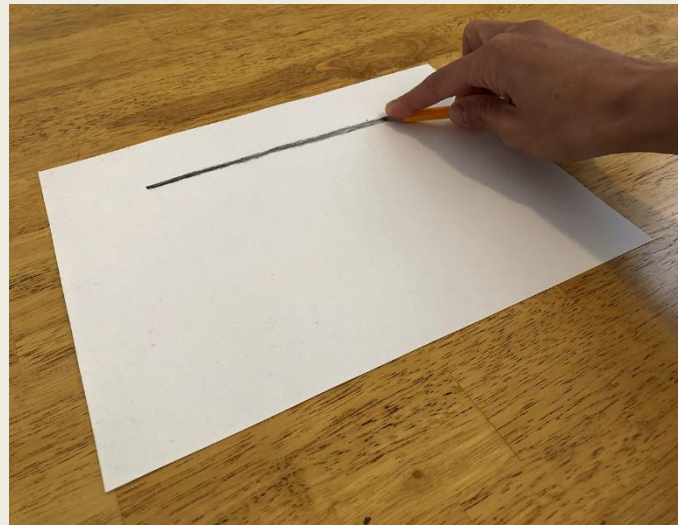
Artists love to use different types of lines when they draw!

**In this activity, we will:**

Discover and create different types of lines.

Go on a scavenger hunt to find lines.

Create a drawing using lines.



All you will need are a **pencil and paper**.

Let's get started!

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Straight Line



Curvy Line



Wavy Line



Zigzag Line



Dotted Line



Box Line



Spiral Line



Dashed Line



Thin Line



Thick Line



Thin and Thick Line



## Looking at Lines and Drawings

There are so many different kinds of lines!

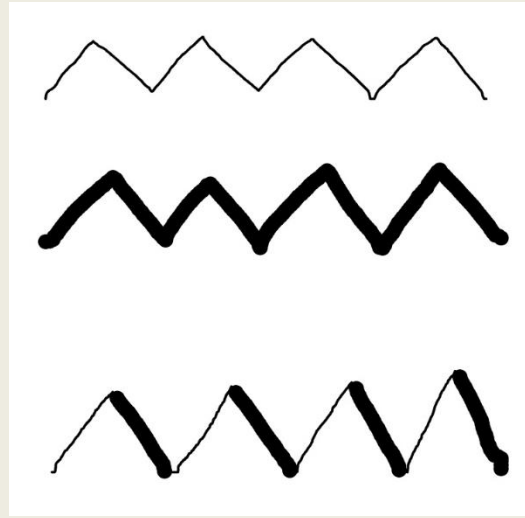
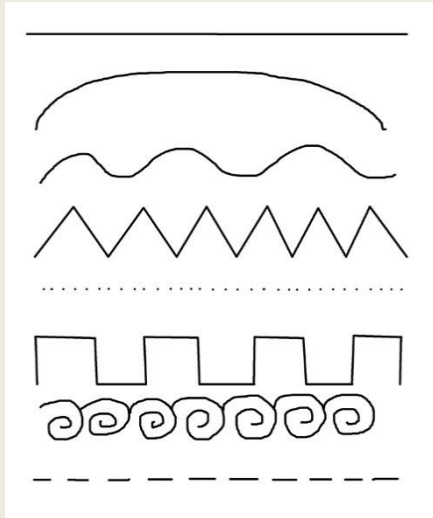
This charts shows a few different types of lines.

Lines can also be thick or thin.

Some lines can have both thick and thin parts.

Lines can go every which way.

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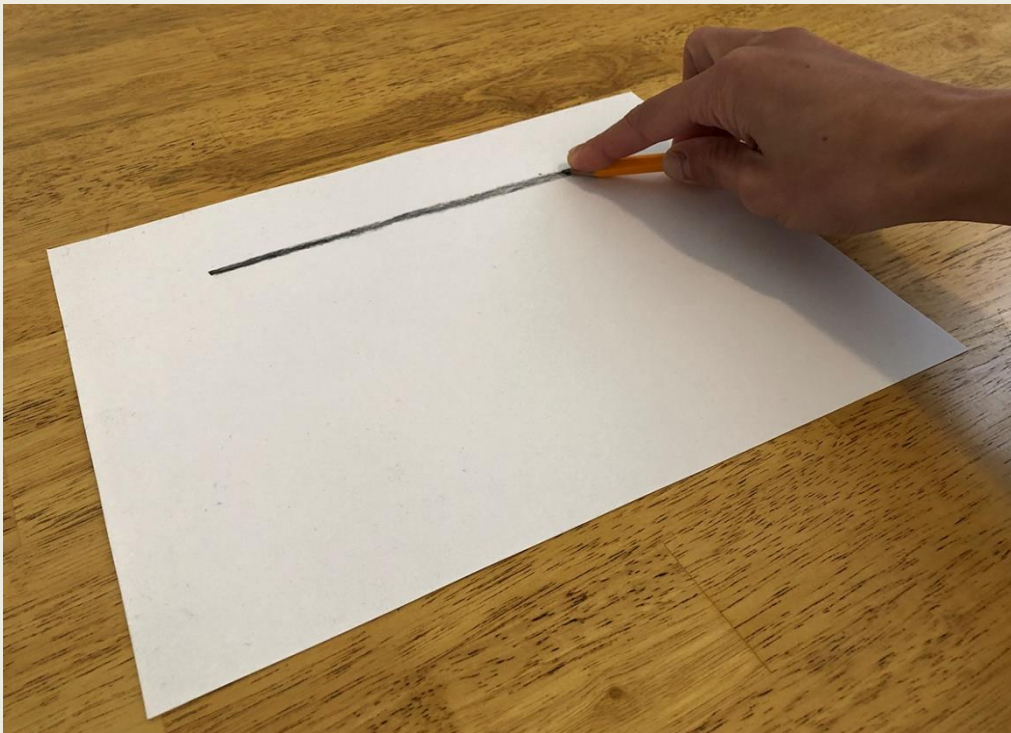


## Let's get warmed up!

Warm-up by trying at least five different types of lines from the charts.

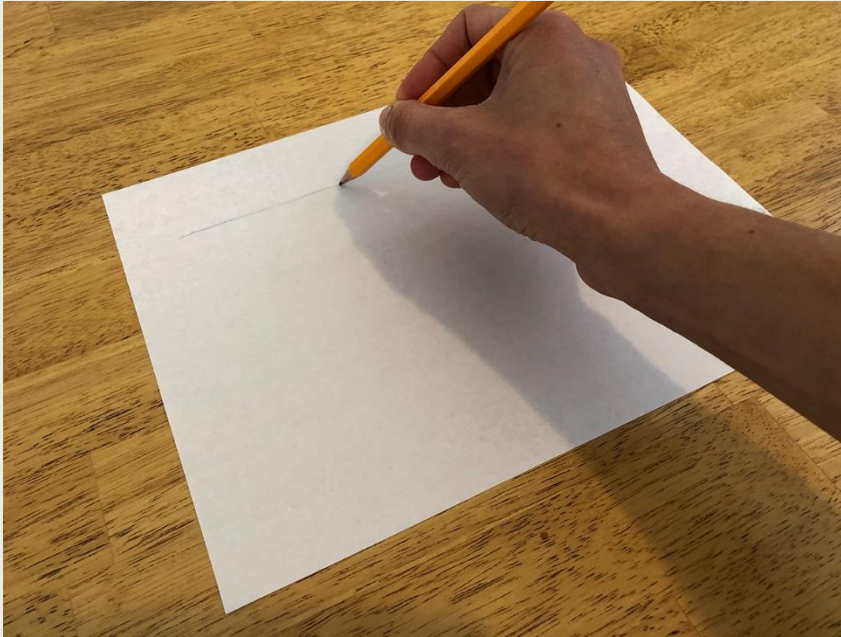
Pencils and pens usually have small points that make thin lines.

To make a thicker line, you may turn the tip of your pencil, marker, or crayon sideways when drawing.



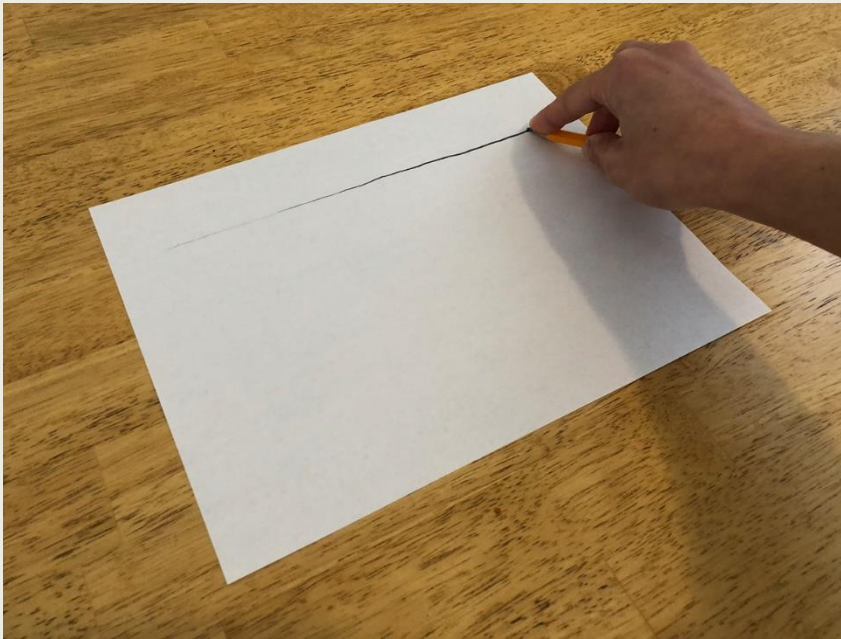


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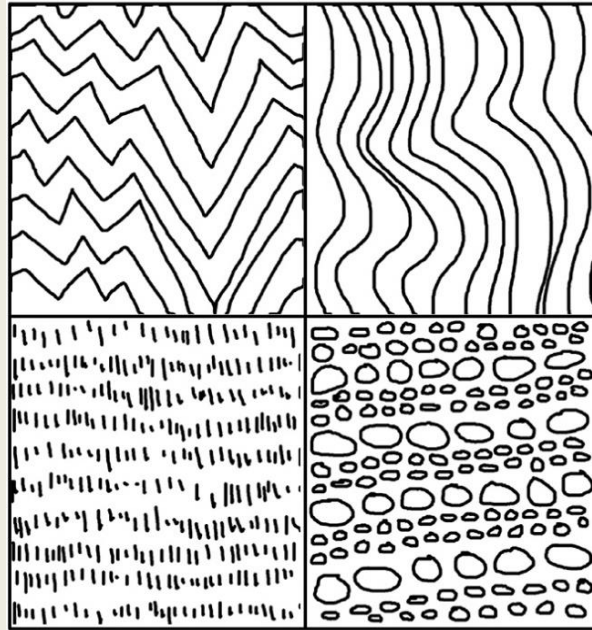


Press lighter on your drawing tool for light lines.

Press harder for dark ones.

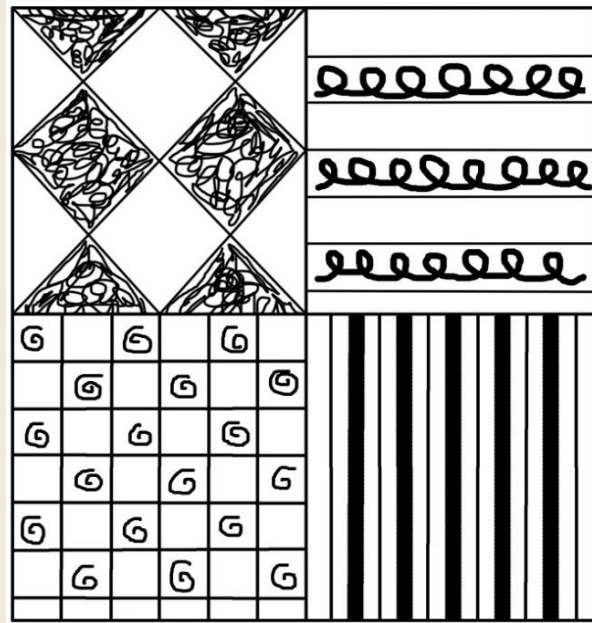


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Visual Textures

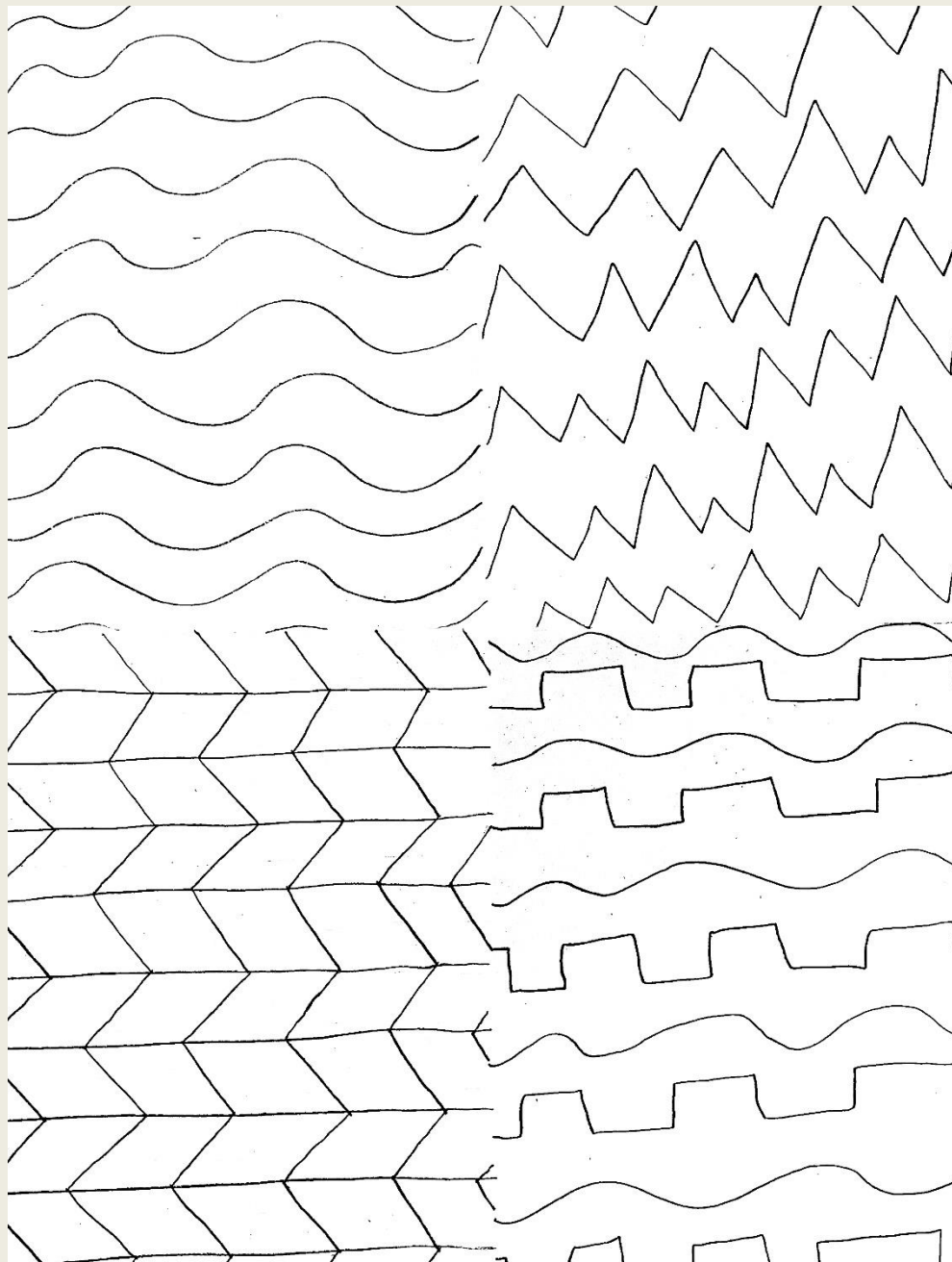
Lines can work together to make visual textures.



Patterns

Lines can be repeated to make patterns.

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### **Create your own patterns and texture**

Now it's your turn!

Fold your paper into four, and open it up so that you have four boxes.

Start by picking one type of line. Fill one of your boxes by repeating the line to create a visual texture. Repeat this with another box, using a different type of line.

Next, pick two types of lines. Fill one of the remaining boxes by repeating the lines to create patterns. Repeat this with the final box, using a different set of lines.





### **Now it's time for a Line Hunt!**

Now that we have looked at a variety of lines and drawings, let's look for lines in the real world too.

Find an object in your home that has straight lines.

Sketch them!



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Now try to find something that has wavy lines.

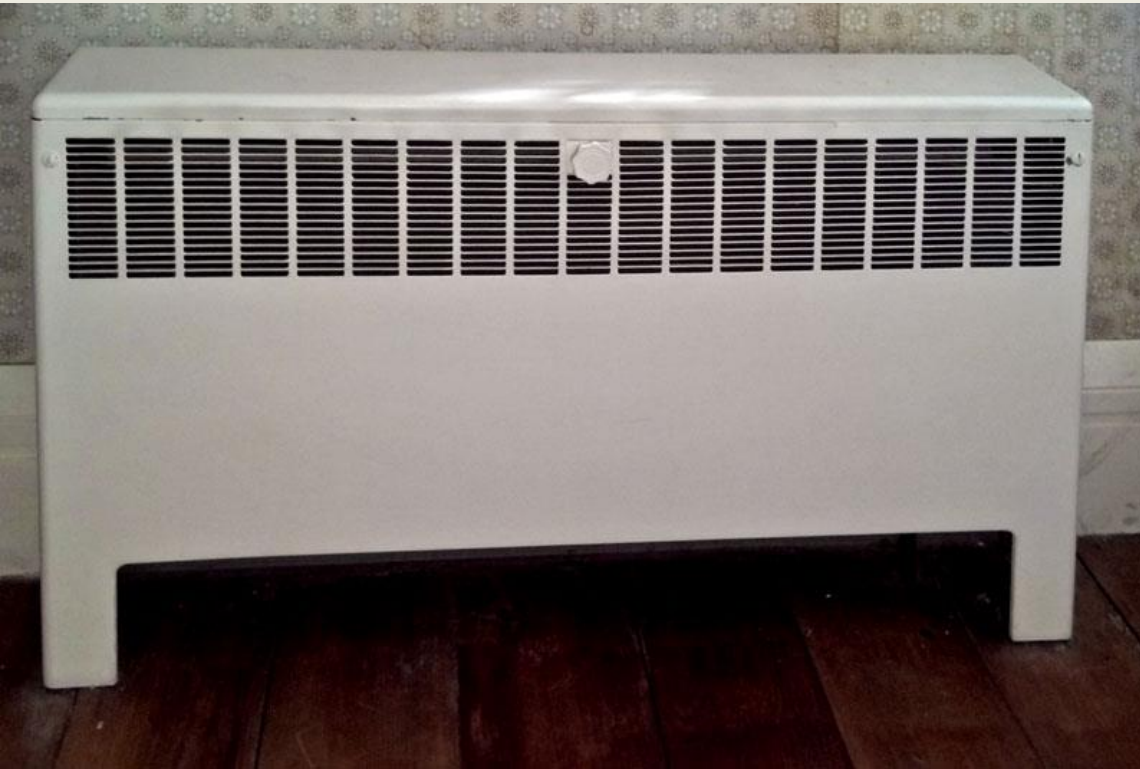
Sketch that!



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Now try to find something with dash lines.

Sketch those!

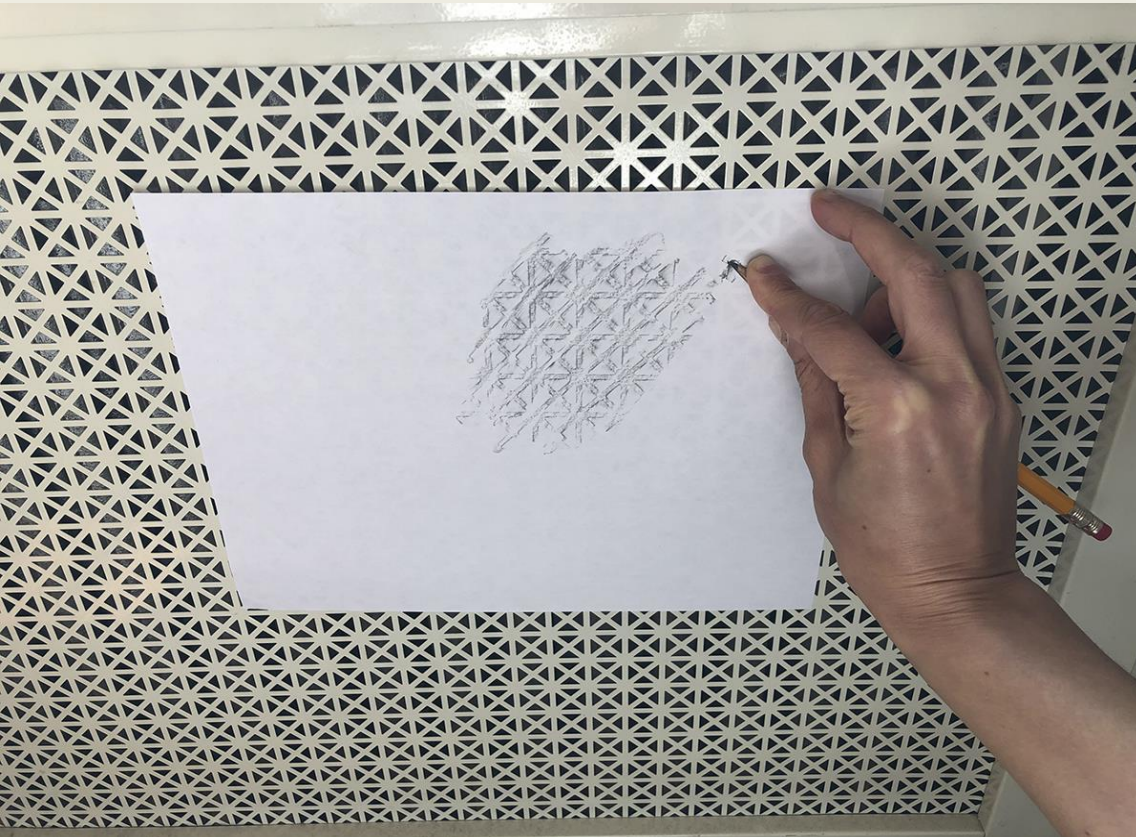


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How about something with texture?

To create texture, you can lay your paper over an object and rub the side of the pencil or crayon to reveal what is below.

This kind of drawing is called a rubbing.





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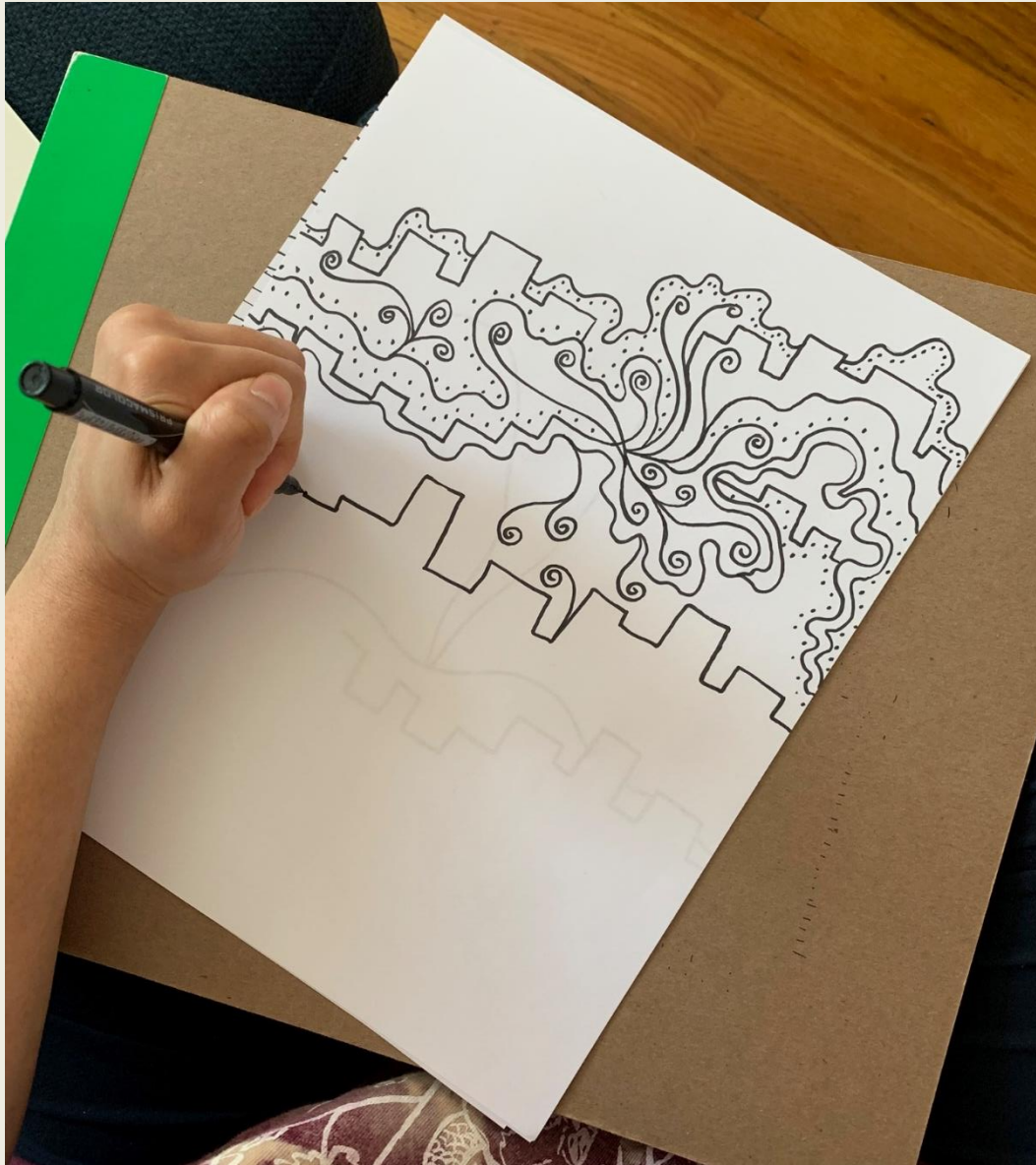
How about something that has thick or thin lines?

Don't forget to look at tables, chairs, rugs, curtains, doors, windows, shelves, tiles, towels, and blankets for lines!





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## Let's Draw!

Create a drawing using at least four different kinds of lines.

Feel free to explore long and short lines or thick and thin ones.

You might want to do a rubbing to create texture.

You can also repeat lines to make a pattern and connect them to create shapes.

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Looking at what artists do with lines can help you get ideas and inspiration.

**Check out these artists who use lines in their work:**

[Louise Bourgeois](#)

[Julie Mehretu](#)

[Seher Shah](#)

What lines do you notice?

What are some different ways these artists arranged their lines?