

Materials Needed

A piece of paper, heavier weight/texture (similar to cardstock)

A black marker or sharpie

Markers*

Color pencils*

Watercolors*

Crayons*

*if you don't have all of these materials, that is okay. You can make this art piece using just one of these materials, 2 or 3 materials, what you have available, or all of them!

Short Version, Instructions:

These instructions are meant to help teachers in the classroom

- Draw 1 line across your paper that overlaps itself 4 times. Use the red or blue color.
- Draw a shape 3 times on top of that line. Use the color from the previous step that was not used; i.e. red if the first step used blue; blue if the first step used red.
- Fill in 4 of the spaces formed by the overlapping line and shapes with a black color.
- Pick a color and fill in 5 spaces with this color.
- Does the art piece need anything else? Add more overlapping lines if you would like! Add more shapes if you think the art piece needs them! Does your art piece need more color? If you think so, then add some!
- When the art piece is done, sign your name!

Extended Version, Instructions:

These instructions are best if you are doing this by yourself!

Pick out a blue color, red color, black color, and a final color of your choosing!

Choose between the blue and red color to use first. Start with this color and make one continuous line that loops and curves over itself 4 times.

Pick up the color (between blue and red) that you did not use to make the curvy loopy line with, and decide on a shape to draw three times. Go ahead and draw that shape, making sure that each time you draw it the shape overlaps with your curvy loopy line.

Now take your black marker and fill in 4 of the spaces that have been made by your overlapping shapes and curvy loopy line. As you fill in your spaces, make sure that no color-filled spaces are touching.

Take your special color choice (the color you chose!) and fill in 5 spaces. Just like with the black spaces earlier, try to make sure that a space with your special color choice is not touching another space already filled with your special color choice. It is alright if the spaces filled with your special color choice are touching the black-filled spaces.

Take a look. What do you think? Does your art piece need any more lines, shapes, or colors? If you think so, then add some more!

If you are happy with your piece right now, then you can be done if you would like!

If you aren't sure whether or not you should add anything else to your piece, try walking away from the piece for a couple seconds and then coming back. How does it look? Do you think it needs anything more?

Remember, this is your art piece! You can always add more to it later if you would like!

Don't forget to sign your name!

Now let's make some more art!