Activity: Name Bugs

Use your name to create a work of art and new species of bug.

You will need:

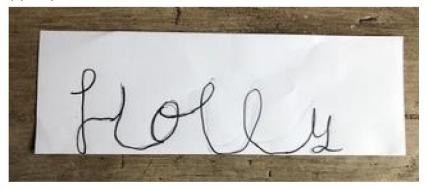
- A4 Paper folded in half lengthways (landscape)
- Black Sharpie (or black whiteboard marker)

Optional:

- Colours (coloured pencils, crayon, paint etc)
- Brushes and water pots if using paint

First, practise writing your name with every letter joined together.

When confident, write your name along the creased edge of your folded piece of A4 paper. The writing should be large and almost fill half of the paper above the crease. You can make it as fancy, curly and loopy as you want to.





With the paper still folded turn it over. On the blank side, trace your name. Using a black sharpie/black felt tip/whiteboard marker should mean you can see the writing coming through well enough to trace.

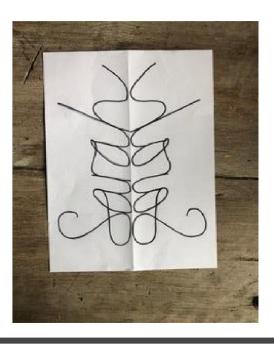
Open the paper up to see a perfect mirror image of your name. Turn the paper so that it's now in portrait position and decide which way up looks most like a bug.

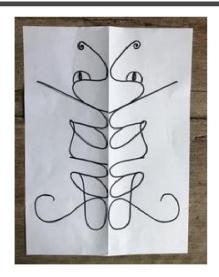










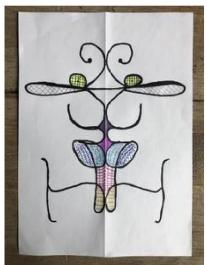


Add eyes, antenna and wing details (if your insect has wings) to one side of your drawing. Fold your paper and repeat the tracing process so that any details are also mirror images.

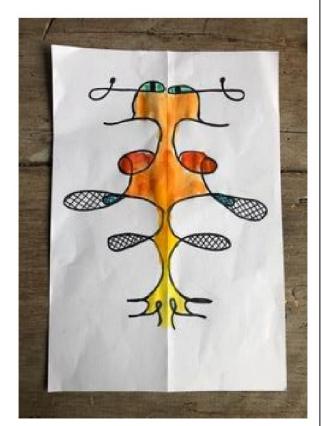
Next you can add colour. This project should also be used to look at symmetry, so if adding colour, both sides should be coloured the same and have matching details.



Coloured pencils



Patterns added with gel pens



Painted with watercolour