BEETLES & BUGS LINE DRAWINGS

Materials

- white paper
- pencil & eraser
- markers, crayons, or colored pencils

Instructions

1. Start with a large sheet of white paper and a black marker.
2. Begin with the eyes.
3. Draw two circles near the top of the paper.
4. Then, draw a connecting line (wavy, straight, curved, etc.) between the two eyes.
5. Draw an oval or a curved-edge rectangle below the eyes and connect with two small lines.
6. Then make a line to divide the beetle/bug/insect. A short line creates a small bug but a longer line creates a long bug.
7. Add the “sides” of the belly or body.
8. Add jointed legs, keeping care to make each side of the beetle symmetrical.
9. After drawing the basic insect shape, spend some time going over creating patterns vs. scribbles and filling in large shapes (wings, back, etc) with designs.
10. Use crayons, colored markers, or colored pencils to make your bug bright and beautiful.

Managing Mistakes

If, for instance, you draw a head that is too small, draw a large head around it and fill in the space with lines. Or perhaps you made the eyes too small. No worries! Go ahead and make larger eyes with the smaller eyes acting as pupils.

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