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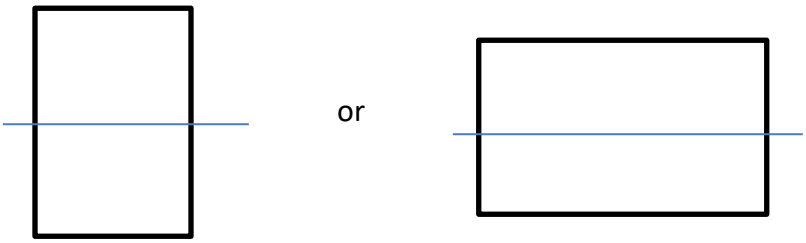
Activity Idea

Big Mouth Drawings

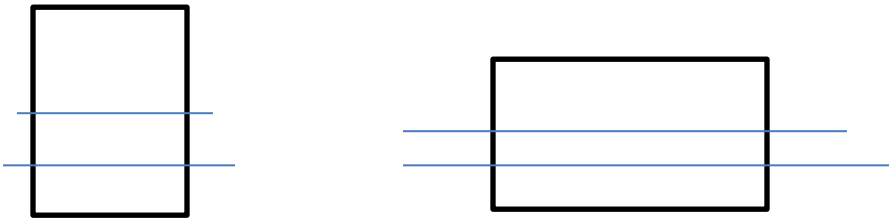
Recommended for Ages 7 +

What you will need.
Paper, any size should work.
A pencil or other item to draw with

How do you make it?
First start by folding your paper in half. If your paper is not square, it does not matter if you fold it short edge to short edge or long edge to long edge. Fold it from the bottom to the top so the crease is near you.

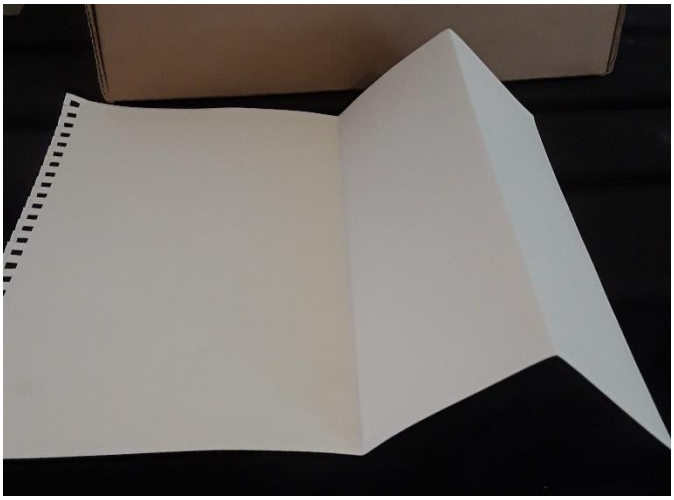


Once you have the paper folded in half, you need to fold one of the halves in half again. You should end up with two folds, one in the center of the paper and the other halfway between the center and edge.



The folds should be in opposite directions.

Here is an example:



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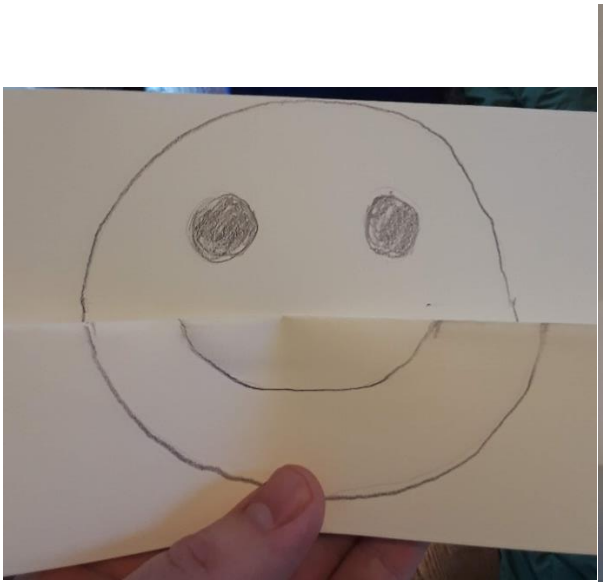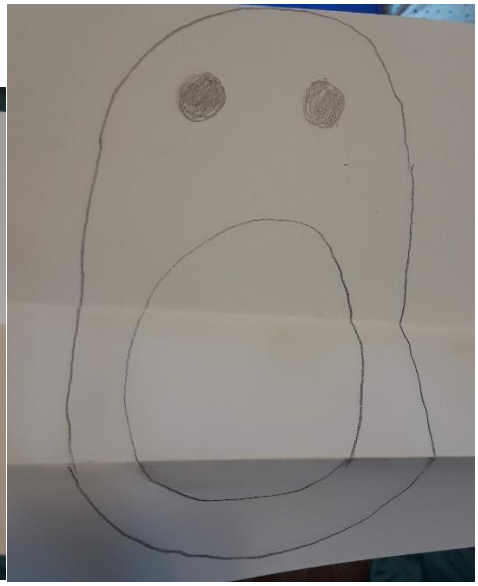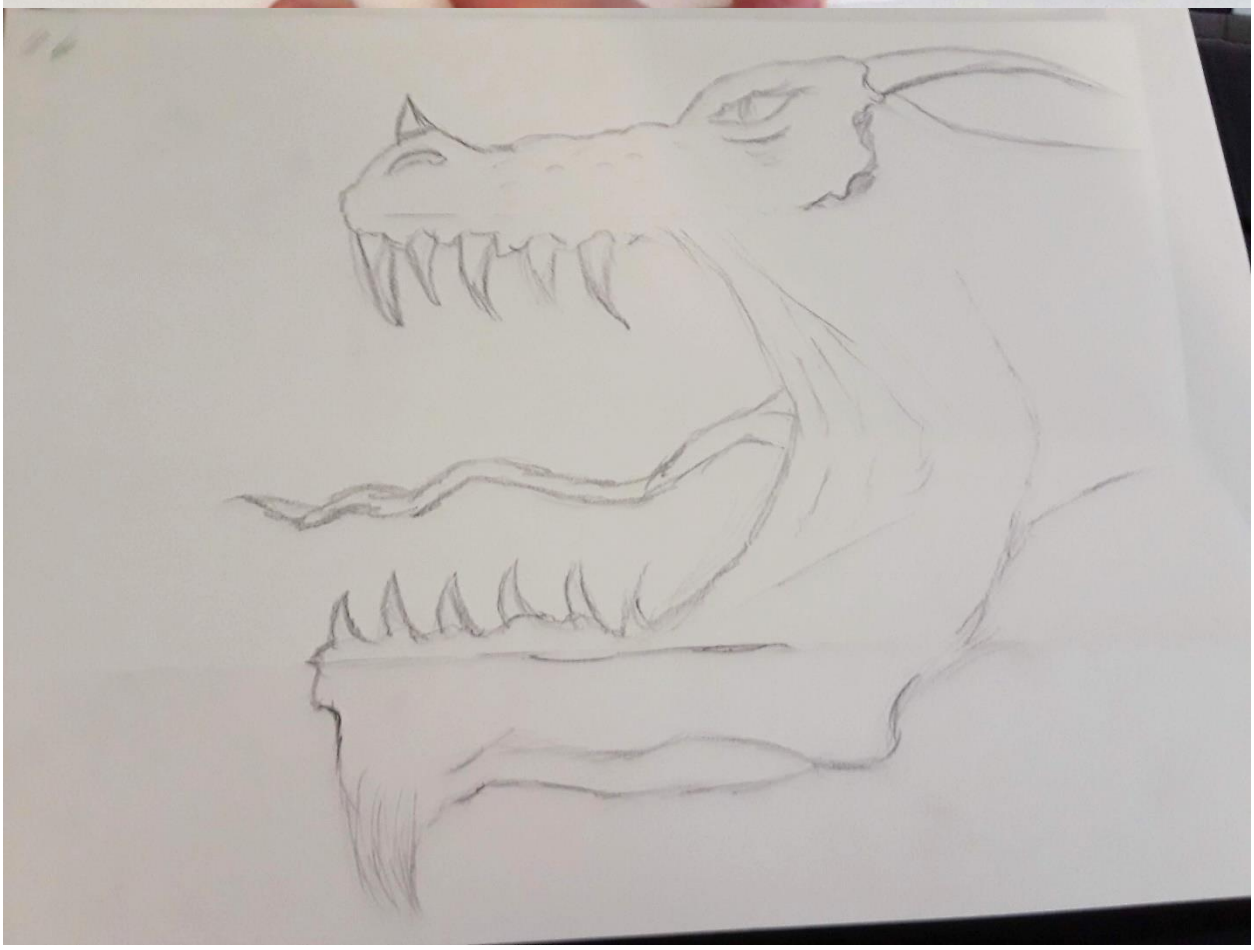
With the paper folded, draw a face. Make sure the mouth is right on the fold. Then unfold the picture, and draw a giant open mouth connecting the top and bottom. Now, when the paper is folded, your picture's mouth will be closed, and when you unfold the paper, your picture will have a giant, open mouth. Your picture does not have to be a face, it could be anything you want, but a face is a good place to start practicing. Do not worry about the pictures being perfect or making sense, the idea is to have fun with it. Here are a few examples.