



Ladybug's Picnic

Recommended for Grades K-2

Summary:

Children learn how to create a ladybug using simple shapes such as; ovals, circles, and triangles. They can create a ladybug using line and pattern. Lastly, they may create a background space of a picnic blanket or leaves.

Learning Target:

I can identify and create a drawing using simple shapes (ovals, circles, triangles)

I can identify and create pattern with repeated shapes and lines

Materials:

You can use any of the following materials depending on what's available at your house:

Pencils, colored pencils, crayons, markers, watercolor or any paint

Directions:

1. See if your child can find pictures of ladybugs and discuss what lady bugs look like in nature. Does the ladybug protect plants in nature and if so how? See if they can identify the simple shapes that create the ladybug. Have them trace over the lines with their fingers to get a feel for how to use simple shapes to create the ladybug drawing.
2. Place the pictures of the ladybugs in your working area so child can refer to them for shape and design. They may also use the resource papers that help them draw or create a template to trace from the attached guides.
3. Create a body using an oval, next create a head, eyes, spots on their wing covers using a half circles. Encourage them to use multiple circles on their wings to create a pattern.
4. They can create legs using simple triangle at the base of the abdomen and then oval and small triangle foot. They can draw antennae with a simple line from its head.
5. They may outline their bug in black crayon or marker. They can paint or color the body and the background. If you do not have paint, they may use crayons or markers instead.
5. Always have your child sign their artwork and provide an opportunity to review the learning targets by discussing their finished product and/or displaying artwork and having a family "critique" to complement the work.

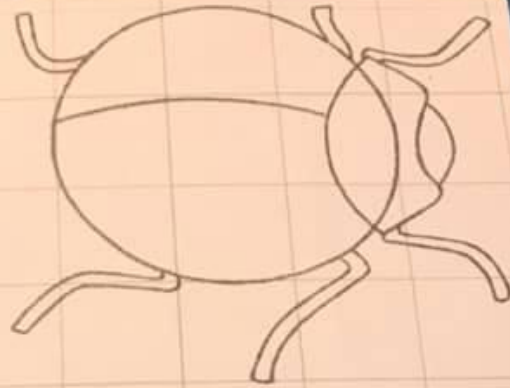


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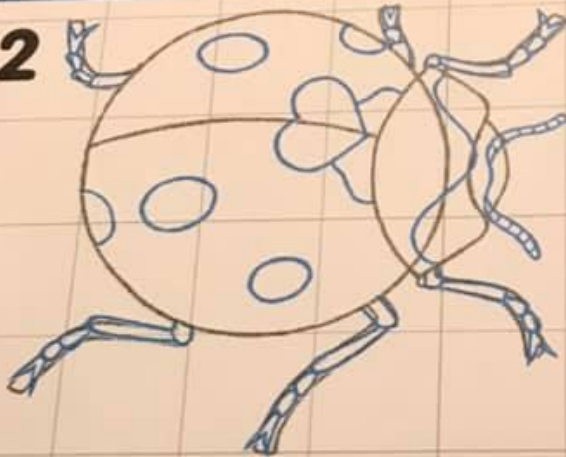
Draw a circle for the shell and add a head and six legs. Divide the shell with a curved line.

Add spots, antennae, and details on the legs.

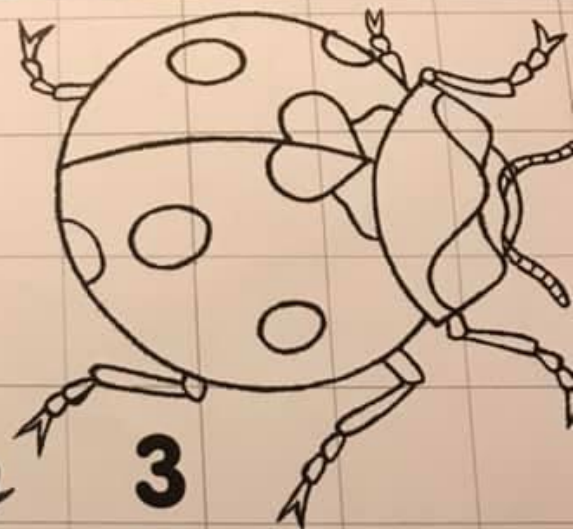
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Use your felt-tip pen to trace over the lines you want to keep, and erase any stray pencil lines.

4 Color your ladybug!



