

Kyrene Visual Art Enrichment for Middle School At-Home Learning



TITLE: Mountains in Contour

Short description: - Create a landscape of mountains using contour lines to define its visual texture.

Create a landscape using only line. After creating a simple landscape of mountains receding into the distance, fill them in with long and slightly curving contour lines. Contour line describe the outermost edges/outlines of a shape or form. In the case of the mountains, you are trying to give them a visual 3-D quality.

Materials: Blank paper, marker

Optional: color pencils or a variety of colored markers

Instructions: Draw shapes on your blank paper with marker that look like the contours (i.e. the outlines or edges) of mountains. Fill in the mountain's sides with long and slightly curving contour lines. The closer your lines are together, the darker value it will visually produce. Use thick and thin lines or just one or the other. Go over mountain ridges again at the end and thicken them in for definition. The sky can be left blank or also be colored in with colors and/or pattern.



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Step 2: Fill in the mountain's sides with long and slightly curving contour lines.



Step 3: Go over mountain ridges again at the end and thicken them in for definition.