

Junior Drawing Badge – At Home and Virtual Activities

When you pick up your pencil, anything could leap from your mind onto a sheet of paper. That's what makes drawing so fun. In this badge, you'll find techniques to make your drawings even better, which will make it more fun to see what your imagination can do.

1. Experiment with different materials.
2. Learn how to add shading.
3. Get some perspective.
4. Use your imagination like a graphic artist.
5. Make your masterpiece – and show it off!



When I've earned this badge, I'll know some great drawing techniques. The activities below will help you complete three of the five steps for the badge!

Activity 1 (<i>Connects to Step 1: Experiment with different materials.</i>)	Experiment with Different Materials
Activity Summary	Draw a still life from an online museum.
Supplies needed	Paper and drawing/coloring materials
Advance Prep needed	Gather art supplies
Link to online resources	https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne
Instructions	Choose one of the galleries from the online exhibits available at The Louvre. Find something that evokes a strong emotion in you; it can be happiness, sadness, anger, joy, curiosity, or anything else. Art is simply something that makes you feel a strong emotion. When you've found something to draw, create three versions of it with drawing. Either use three different types of coloring materials (crayons, markers, colored pencils) or three different types of black and white (pencil, pen, black marker). How do your versions look different?

Activity 2 (<i>Connects to Step 2: Learn to add shading.</i>)	Learn to Add Shading
Activity Summary	Use smudging to make shadows in an outside drawing.
Supplies needed	Paper and pencils, coloring supplies if desired
Advance Prep needed	Gather art supplies
Link to online resources	Google Earth: National Parks of the United States

Instructions	Select a virtual tour of a national park at the link above. Play around with the tour until you find a scene in nature you'd like to draw. Darken the shadow areas, then use your finger to smudge the shadows. What happens after smudging? Do you like the look? Color the scene if you want to.
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Activity 3 (<i>Connects to Step 4: Use your imagination like a graphic artist.</i>)	Use Your Imagination Like a Graphic Artist
Activity Summary	Draw a new cover for your favorite book or music album.
Supplies needed	Paper and pencil, coloring supplies if desired
Advance Prep needed	Gather art supplies
Link to online resources	N/A
Instructions	What does your favorite book or the lyrics of your favorite song mean to you? How would you show that in a drawing? Think about these things, and create a book cover or album art.

Keep it girl-led! These activities have helped you finish three of the badge's five requirements. When you're able, finish the last two requirements on your own, and you'll have earned the Junior Drawing badge! Find the Junior Drawing requirements and badge [here](#).