Project Name: Drawing Contour images

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Grade Level or Grade Level Range 5th grade-12th grade

Approximate time to complete 2-3 days (approximately 42 minute time periods)

Materials required: Pencil, paper (larger is better),Water color paper (optional). marker, Paintbrush (optional)

Technology required: Not necessary but I have a video that can be used

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e3H0N6g9xT4&t=2s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hgN1Pj7uJ_Q&t=10s

Lesson Steps (add more steps as needed)

1. Teach kids to draw with blind contour technique and push for continuous line. Showing outer. Edge details, and out of proportion. Kids can draw inside of a bag/or with a paper plate over the pencil and on their hand to eliminate looking. Use multiple objects for interest (ideas are toys, toothbrush, fork, standard drawing/art tools)

2. Once students have tried this technique and feel comfortable with being uncomfortable then move to modified contour line drawings. I tell kids that they can occasionally look at the paper BUT the must stop moving the pencil/marker when they look at the paper. The goal is draw 'what they see' and really observe the object. This is when they get the final piece of paper and they are to draw the same object at least five times. I also tell them that they must draw two of the contour line drawings so big that they touch two opposite sides of the paper. This can also be done in marker and then be used to make a painting with washable markers.
3. IF the use the washable markers then they can drag the marker pigment into the negative space for fun effects.

