

Hand Animals

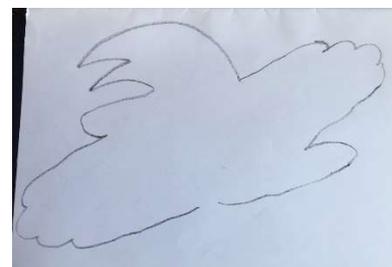
What will I need?

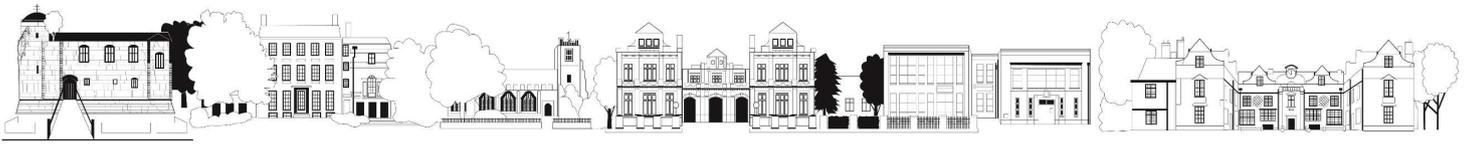
- A blank piece of paper
- A pencil
- Colouring pencils

What do I do?

Drawing a toucan

1. Place your palm flat on the paper and keep your fingers together, then draw around your hand. Next turn your hand around so it faces the opposite direction, but your palm is covering the same spot as before, and repeat the process.
2. Add a head and beak to the top.
3. Draw the lines of the body, the base of the beak and then add some feet and an eye.
4. Get colouring!





Drawing a frog

1. For the bottom half, draw around your hand with your fingers tucked under, then turn your hand around to face the opposite direction. For the top half, slightly open out your index finger and little finger.



2. You're aiming for something a bit like this...

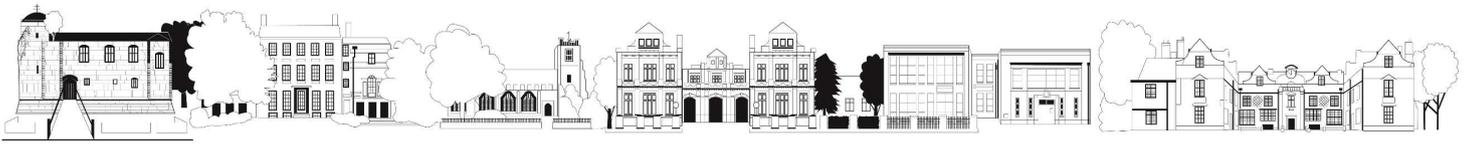


3. Next add in the details, including eyes, a mouth and tongue and webbed feet. You could also add a lily pad for your frog to sit on.



4. Now it's time to add a bit of colour.





Drawing a pufferfish

1. Place your hand in a loose fist with your fingers facing toward the top of the paper.



2. Once you've drawn around your hand, connect the ends at the bottom to give you something a bit like this...

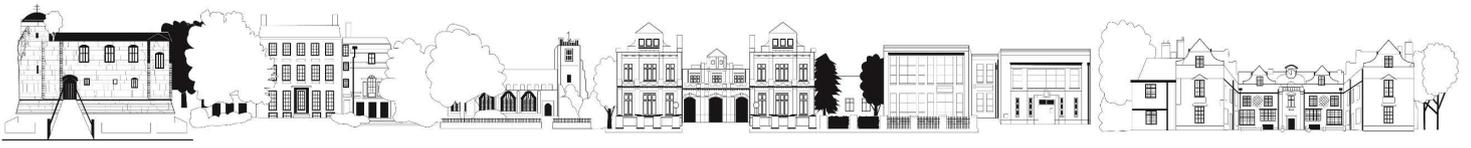


3. Add some fins, eyes and a mouth.



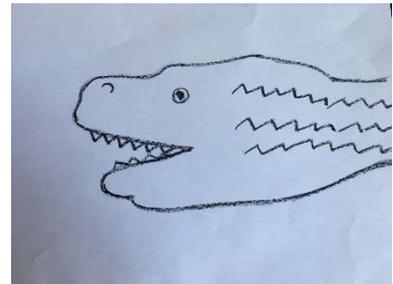
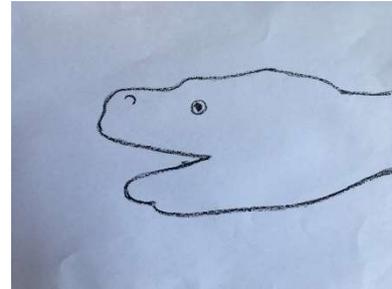
4. Add in lots of spines and a bit of colour to bring your fish to life





Drawing a crocodile

1. Place your hand flat on the paper and open up your fingers so you have a gap between your middle and third fingers. You'll need to try and keep the others closed.
2. After drawing round your hand, add an eye just below where your thumb would have been and a nostril where your index finger was.
3. Your crocodile now needs lots of teeth and some ridges along its back.
4. As a finishing touch, you could add an extra row of ridges along the top, before colouring in.



Why not...
have a go at creating your own? Try making different shapes with your hands and seeing what animals they remind you of.

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