

## **Quentin Blake**

Art, Week 4. Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Born in Kent in 1932, Quentin Blake is a cartoonist, illustrator and is well known for his illustrations of Roald Dahl's books, as well as his own. His fun, silly and energetic art bring books to life and can tell a story in a single drawing.

For this activity you will need: Pencil, Rubber, 3x Paper, Colouring pencils as a plus!



Begin by choosing an animal from a photograph to draw. Look closely, what shapes on the animal can you see?

Draw each shape you can see, until you have the whole animal made of shapes.

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Join the shapes together to make the animal, rub out any lines you no longer need.

need.

Try drawing the animal in a few different poses.





This time we're going to try Blake's style. Try holding your pencil at the end like a magic wand!

With your second piece of paper, fold it in half both ways to make 4 boxes.



On one side,
practice straight,
wobbly, and sharp
lines. In the last
box invent your own
style!

On the other side, draw the same animal four times at different speeds, 2, 5, 10, 20 seconds ...





Using these techniques, let's draw some animals together. Think about how they might play together...

 Begin with with biggest animal, then the next, and so on.



→ Add colour and texture to all your animals.



 If you like, add yourself to the drawing too!





Well done! Here are some more ideas...

Why not make this into a story? Where could you and the animals go on an adventure?

If you like Quentin Blake, you might also like: Beatrix Potter, Sholto Walker and Sara Fanelli We have loved seeing all the amazing art you have been making, so keep sharing!

Send us a picture of what you make to the usual email address for your year group teachers...

Keep up the great work!