

Bob and Roberta Smith



Born in England in 1963, whose real name is Patrick Brill. His pseudonym (made up name) dates back to when he made art with his sister. Using bright colours, attention grabbing lettering and slogans that really make you think!

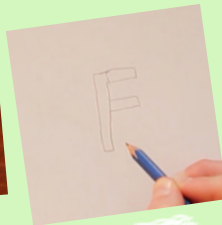
For this activity you will need:
2 x Plain paper, pencil and felt tip pens.

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To practice let's begin by picking a letter. Lightly draw it about the length of your thumb.



→ Now make each line of the letter thicker, as if you were adding building bricks around it. Then make this all one colour...



→ Now imagine snow has fallen on top of the letter, settling down on the lines below. Make this all one colour; you could do this from one side of the letter as well.



→ This should start to make it look 3D. If you've tried this with one letter, have a go a few more times as it can be tricky.



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Now pick one of these three Bob and Roberta Smith slogans or make up your own!



→ Using a pencil gradually write the slogan, spacing the lettering out to fill your page.



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Now let's start by colouring in the letters, use a medium of your choice for this.

→ You can alternate three different colours for your letters.

→ Now pick three different colours again this time to try the 3D effect...

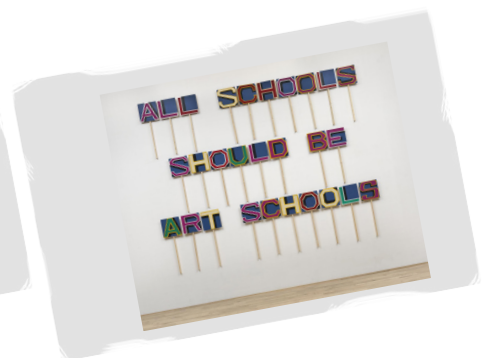
→ If you like, you could fold your page into a square, then create a background with a colour or pattern too.



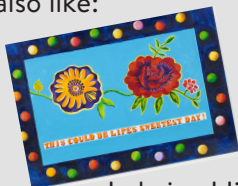
Final Outcome:



+ Using the same techniques, here's what else you could make:



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Keep up the great work!