**VISUAL ARTS 4/5 GRADE ACTIVITIES**

**Introduction:** While most of us are home we may feel disconnected from our friends and community. Many people find taking a walk is a good way to be outside and connect with nature. Some communities are placing things in their windows to provide hope, inspiration and cheer to people walking by. With this lesson you will create a heart, filled with designs using lines, textures, and colors to inspire people in your community.

**Materials:** Something to draw with: a pencil or pen  
Optional: ruler, crayons, markers, colored pencils, scissors

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**VOCAB REVIEW**

**Line:** The path of a point moving.  
**Shape:** The outline of an area.  
**Texture:** The way something feels when you touch it.

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**STEP 1:**  
Decide if you are going to use the provided heart, or make your own. Make straight lines across the heart in different directions. Lines can go all the way across the heart or stop at other lines.

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**TIPS FOR DESIGNS**

- Use different types of lines to create unique patterns, there are some ideas on the last page for you to try. Scratch paper is a great place to practice.
- Try filling some sections of your heart with texture. To create a texture rubbing, look around for textured surfaces, like a wood floor, bumpy wall, even the outside of a cantaloupe. Simply place your paper over a textured surface, hold it still, and rub with the side of a pencil or crayon. To learn more watch Mr. Chavez’s video on texture at [www.youtube.com/c/SeattlePublicSchoolsTV](http://www.youtube.com/c/SeattlePublicSchoolsTV)
STEP 2:
Fill each shape! Try drawing different line designs in each section, or if you have markers, crayons or colored pencils, fill in each section with a different color. Remember you also can use texture rubbings!

STEP 3:
Decide what type of message you want to put on your heart poster. Writing in pencil first can be a good idea, make your letters big! When you are done filling in your heart, you can display it in your window, put it on a door, or give it to someone who has been taking care of you while you’re at home.

"You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have."
- Maya Angelou

EXTENSION ACTIVITY
What is your heart full of? Make a second heart following steps one and two. Instead of writing a message on this heart, you will label each section with all the things that you love. Take a few minutes to think about all your favorite things and what you are thankful for. Share what you wrote with a family member and ask what is in their heart.
LINE EXAMPLES

HOW TO DRAW BUBBLE LETTERS

1. DRAW YOUR LETTER REGULAR

2. DRAW A LINE AROUND YOUR LETTER

3. ERASE THE INSIDE LETTER