



Art Virtual Learning

**3rd Grade Art-**

**Community Themed Art**

April 15



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### **Learning Target:**

Students will create artwork about their community  
Students will create the illusion of space (or depth)

# Background: This lesson reviews concepts from grades K-2

Create an original portrait (of self or other person) (K & 1)

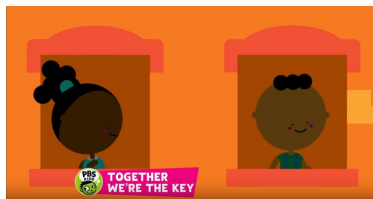
Create an original landscape (K & 2)

## Let's Get Started:

What do you think **community** means?

Watch Videos to find out:

1. [You, Me & Community:  
Together We're the Key](#)



2. [Cartoon for Kids!! What is a Community?](#)



Artists often create pictures showing community. They include people living, playing, or working together in the same area.

Look at *Tar Beach* 

What are some ways Faith Ringgold shows community in her art?

Click below to hear Faith Ringgold's story about her painting [Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold](#)







What community activities do you see in this story quilt?

Have you done any of these activities?

*Church Picnic*

*Story Quilt*

1988

By Faith Ringgold

# Practice #1: Brainstorm pictures about your community

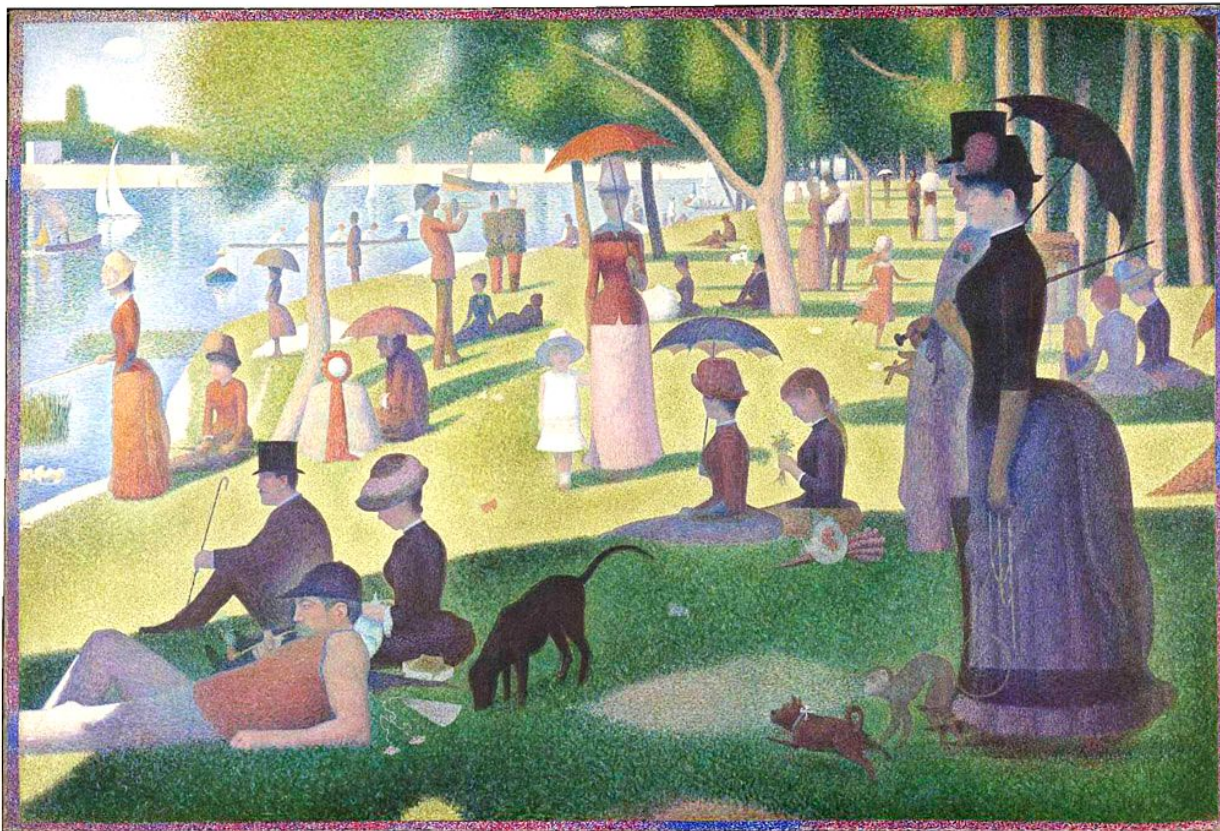
Find a scratch paper and sketch or list things in your community you could draw in your artwork.

Remember, A community is a group of people living, playing, or working together in the same area.





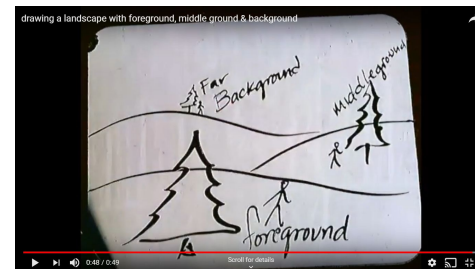
# Learn how artists create the illusion of space (or depth)



Artists create space (or depth) through size variation, overlapping, and placement.

Watch video:

[Notice how the size of objects change in different parts of the landscape.](#)



*A Sunday on La Grande Jatte*

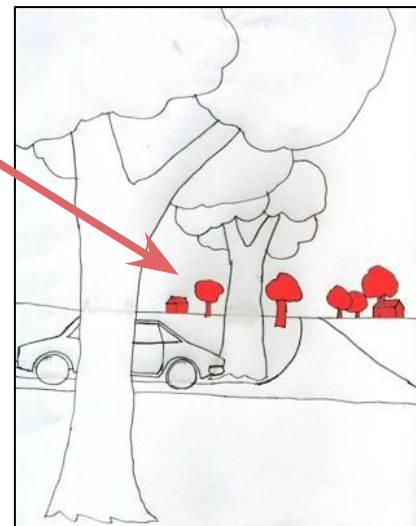
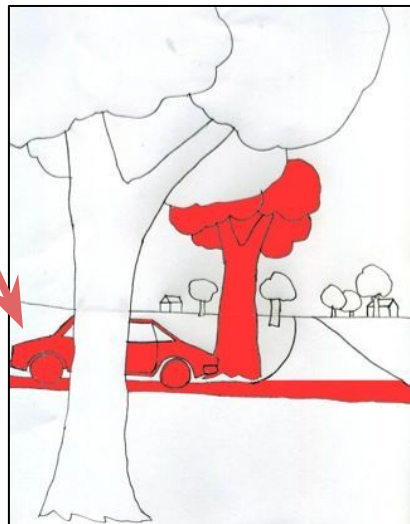
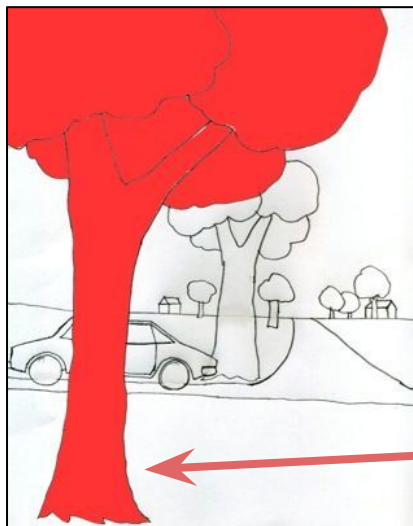
1884

By Georges Seurat

# Size, placement, and overlapping create the illusion of space:

Background- draw items higher & smaller

Middleground- medium sized & shapes overlap

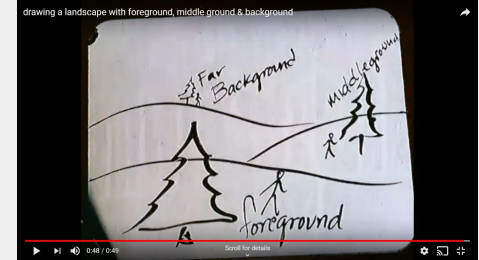


Foreground- draw items lower & larger

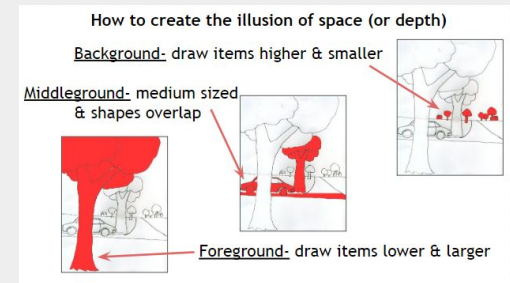


# Practice #2: Sketch a landscape showing the illusion of space


Use a pencil and a scrap paper to make a thumbnail sketch (smaller than your hand) showing space in a landscape.

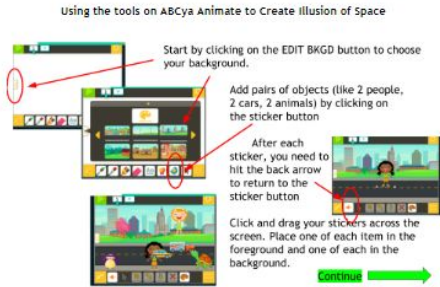


Remember what you learned in the video and the previous slide about creating the illusion of space through size, overlapping and placement of objects.

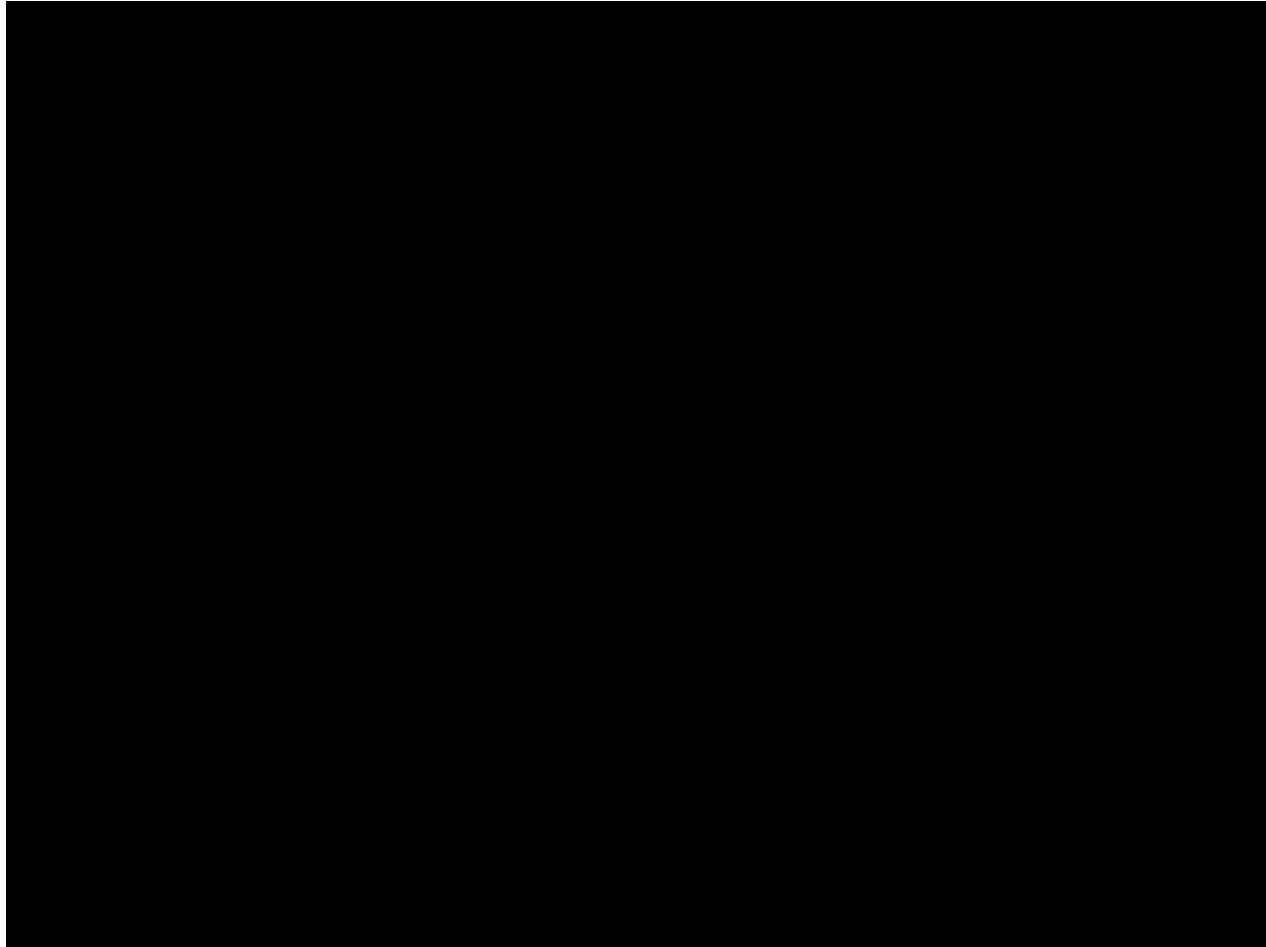


# Practice #3: Create the illusion of space online

1. Watch the [video](#)  or print out this [instruction sheet](#)



2. Click here: [ABCya Animate!](#) to practice creating the illusion of space using overlapping, size, and placement of objects in a scene



# Practice #4: Create a picture of your community using the illusion of space on paper.

- Get your community brainstorming page
- Decide which ideas you will use in your community picture.

There should be people in some sort of space (inside or outside) doing some kind of activity

- Collect your art supplies  
Pencil, paper (needed)  
pen, markers, crayon (optional)

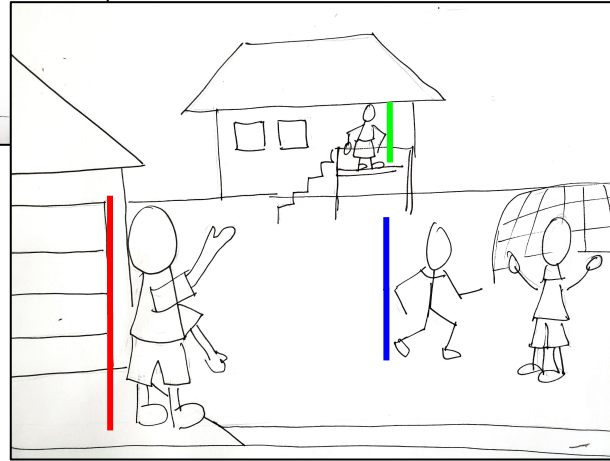
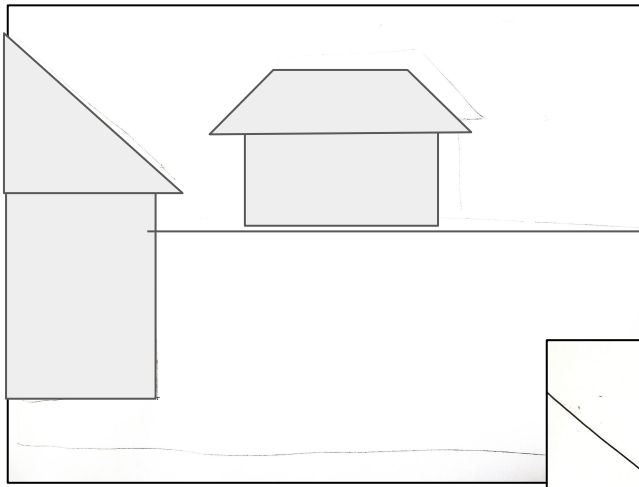


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## Practice #4: (Continued)

Using your own ideas (DON'T COPY THIS ONE), start drawing large items in the foreground and smaller items in the background.



Next, add some people. Use size and position to show who is **close** and who is **far** away.



Finally, add details to illustrate your community story. You can leave it pencil or outline with marker and then color in with crayon, colored pencil, or whatever supplies you have.

## Self Check:

Go show someone you live with your “community” themed artwork.

Tell them how you used size, placement and overlapping to create space (or depth) in your picture.

