



# A Work of Arg



## \*KALAKRUTI\*

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#### **Preface**

"Art is the response of man's creative soul to the call of the Real".

- Rabindranath Tagore.

India has a long history of holistic, multi-disciplinary education since the Vedic period. The ancient scriptures talk about चतुः षष्टिः कला (64 Kalaas or Arts), the mastery of which formed the basis of being a cultured individual. अलेख्य विद्या (Alekhya Vidya, i.e. what cannot be written) is one amongst the 64 kalaas. It in turn, includes six skills.

- (i) रूपभेद (Roopa-bheda) Different shapes and forms.
- (ii) प्रमाण (Pramaana) Proportionate depiction of features of an image.
- (iii) भाव (Bhaava) Expressions.
- (iv) लावण्य योजना (Laavanya-yojana) Infusion of grace in artistic representation.
- (v) सादृश्य (Saadrushya) Resemblance to reality.
- (vi) वर्णिकाभंग (Varnika-bhanga) Colour scheme.

These skills are the basis of creation of this series of books titled "Kalakruti". Our art teachers with decades of experience have carefully arranged the work in a graded format, to help students develop an interest in this unique Vidya. Also, care has been taken to ensure that the Art reflects the rich cultural diversity of our motherland Bharat, enabling the child to intuitively understand the unifying values that bond the citizens of this great country together.

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Lastly, before signing off, we would like to express our profound gratitude to God Almighty for the guidance and encouragement in this endeavour. As it is rightly said - "Looking at the world around us with its beautiful oceans, mountains, trees, flowers, animals, birds and finally we human beings, one has absolutely no doubt that God is the greatest artist"

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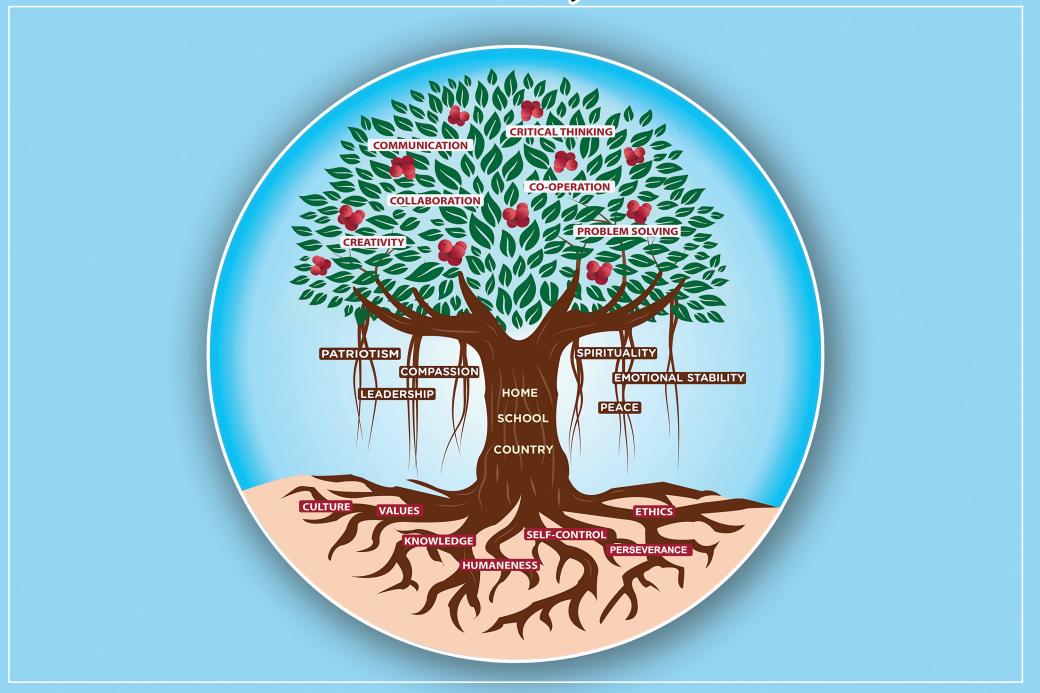
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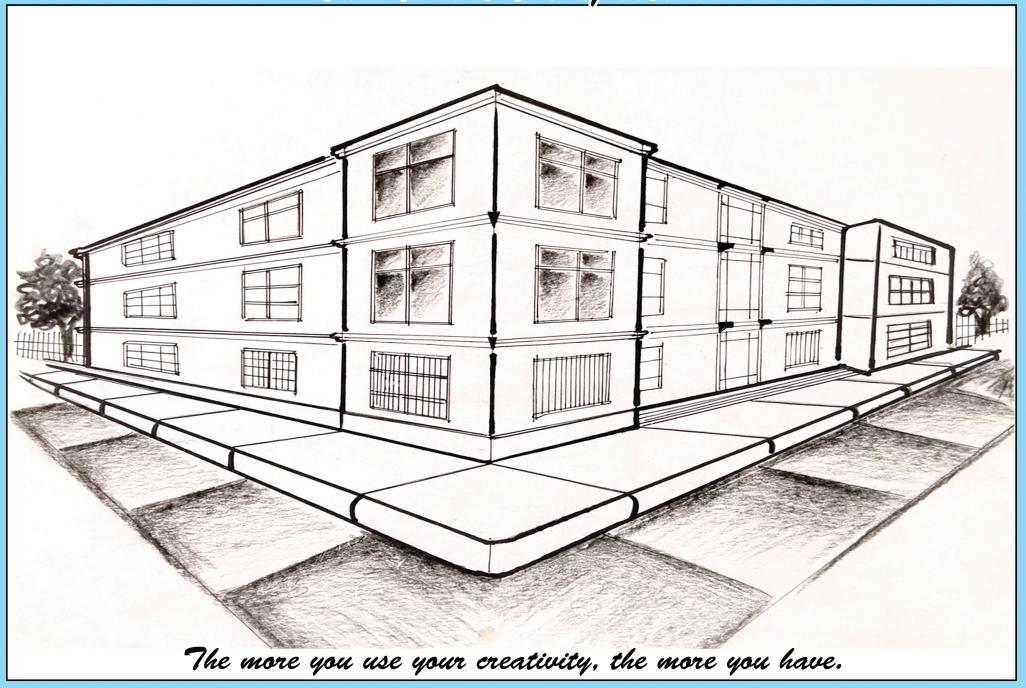
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## Two Point Perspective



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## Scape



The landscape belongs to the person who looks at it.

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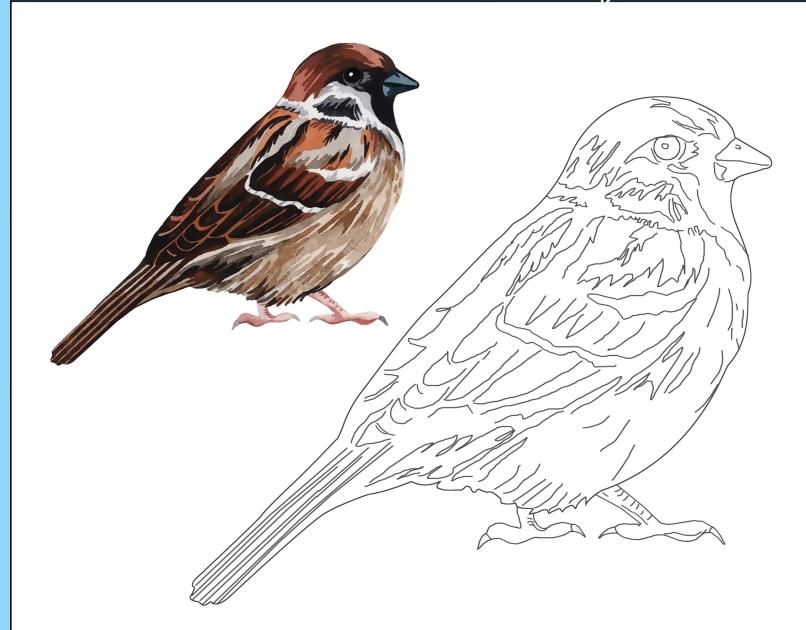
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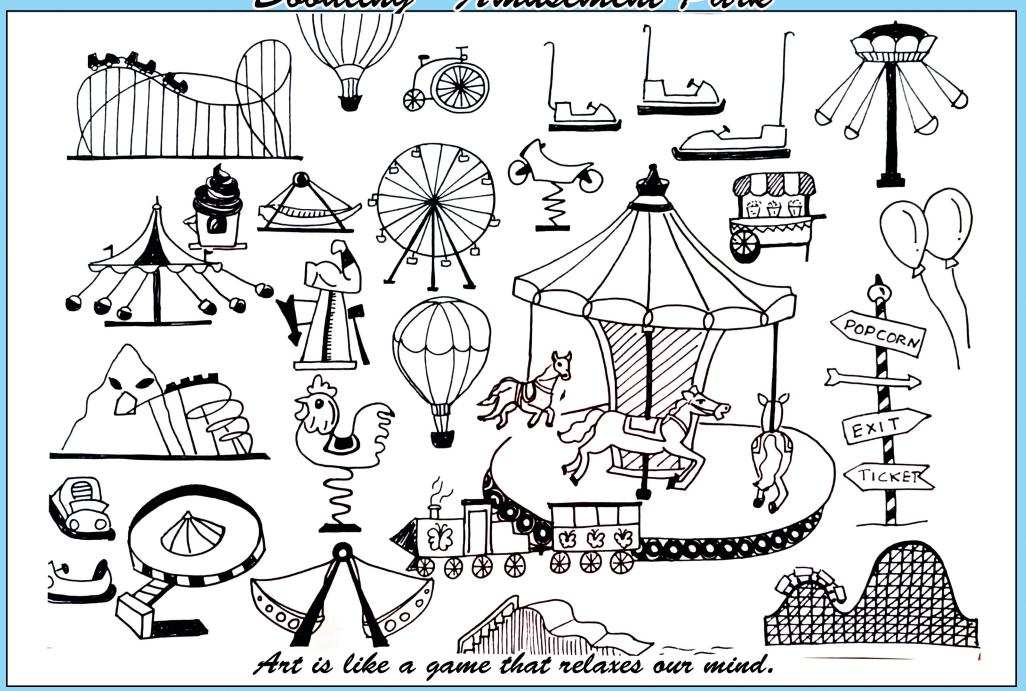


He who feeds a hungry bird feeds his own soul.

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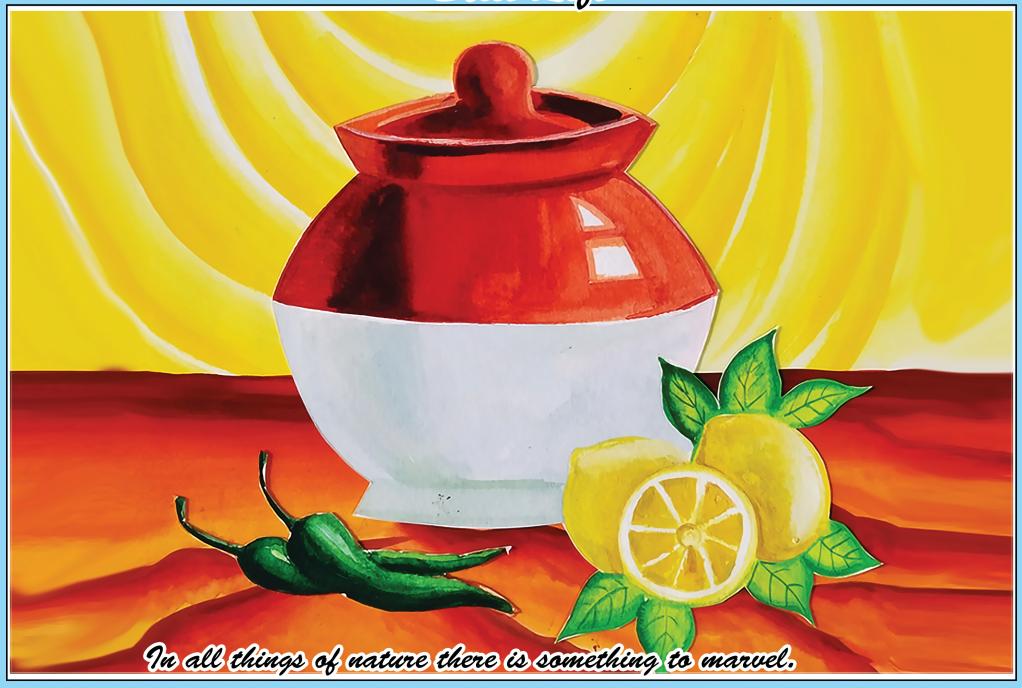
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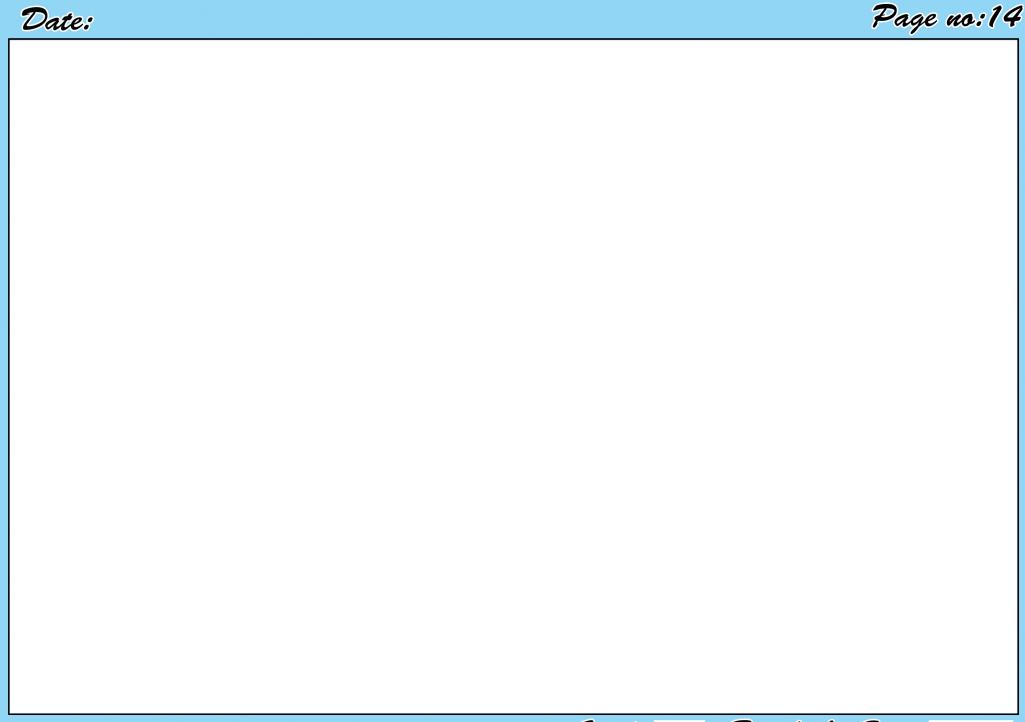
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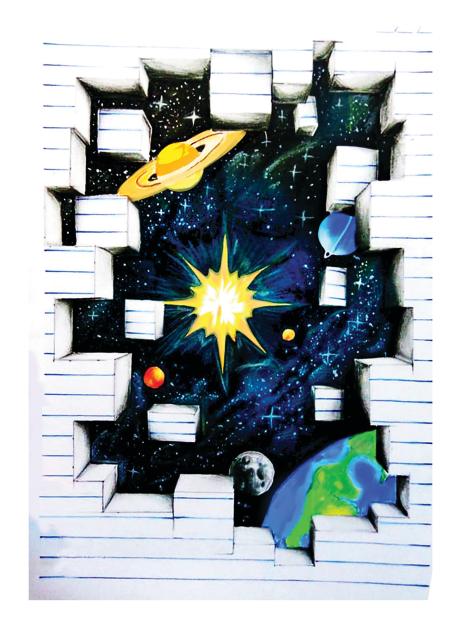
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### Optical Illusion





Art is a reflection of spontaneity.

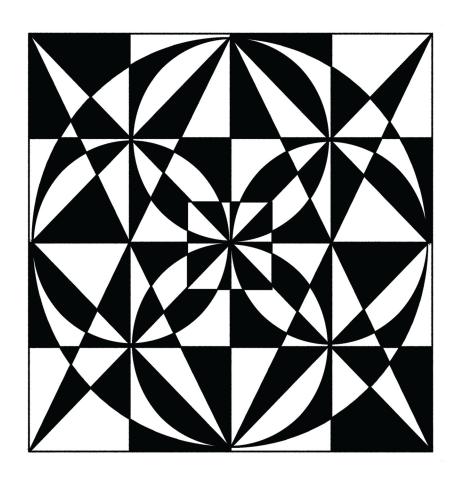
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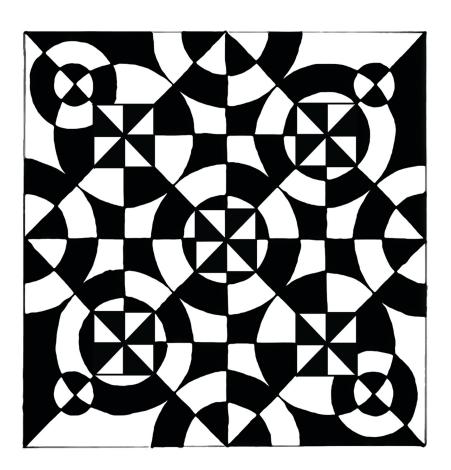
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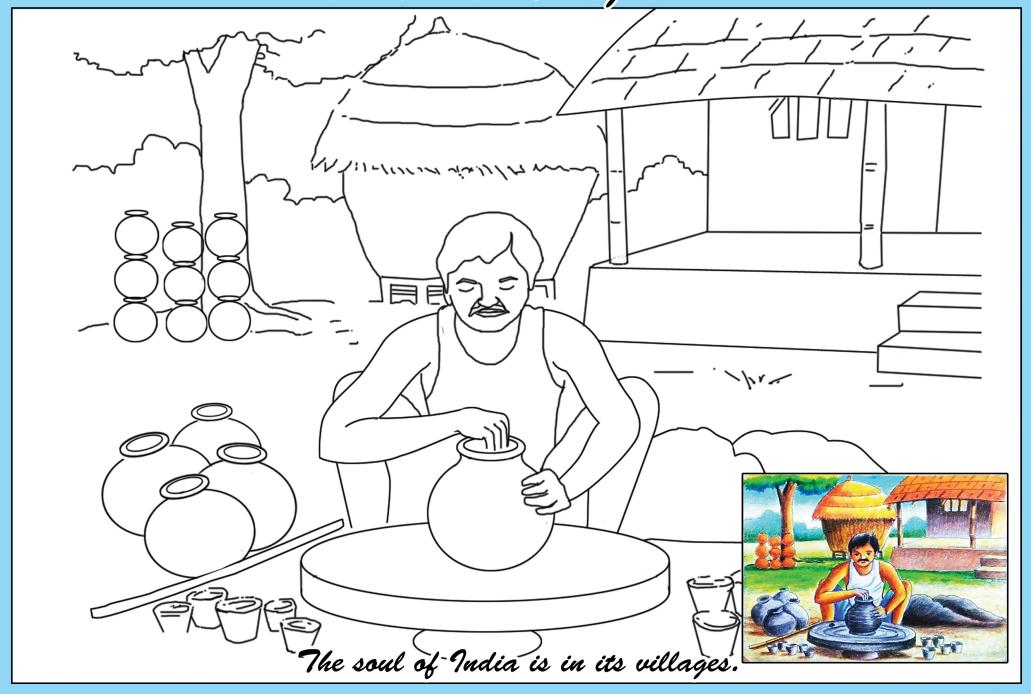




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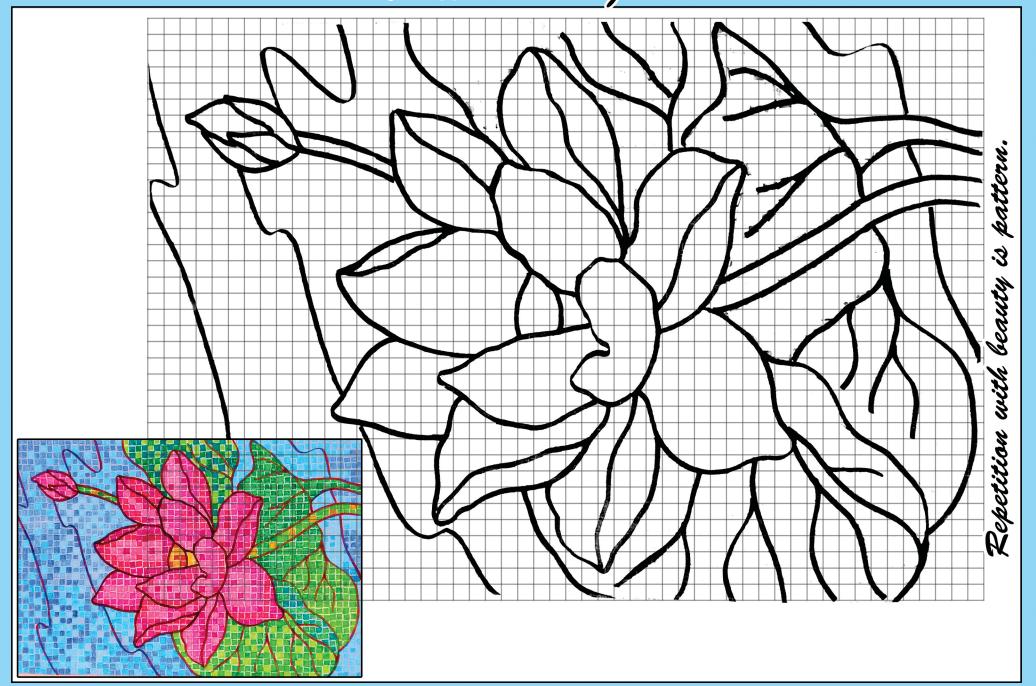
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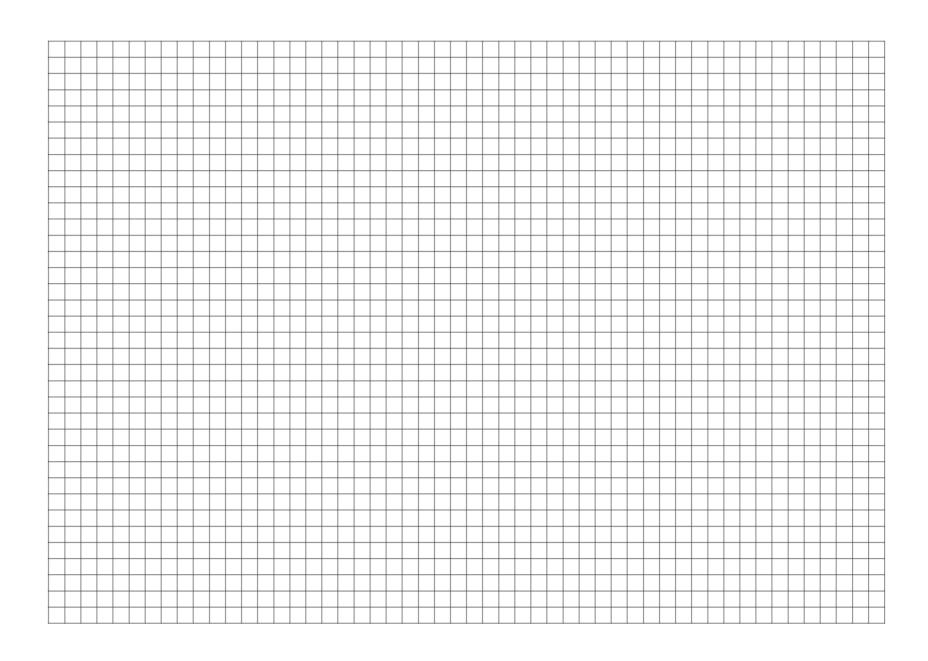
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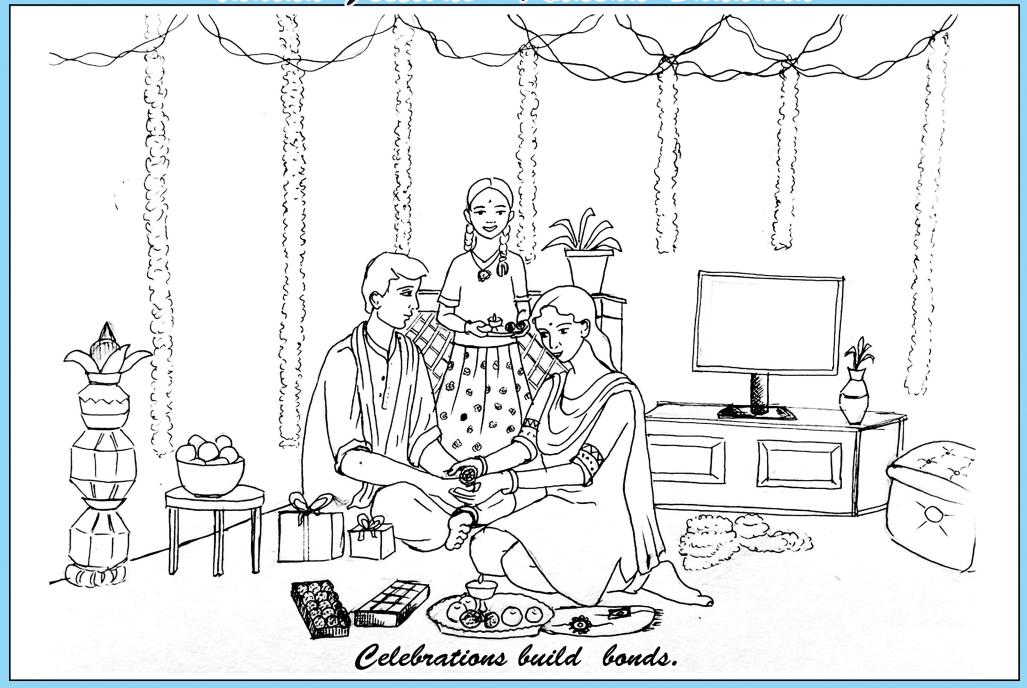
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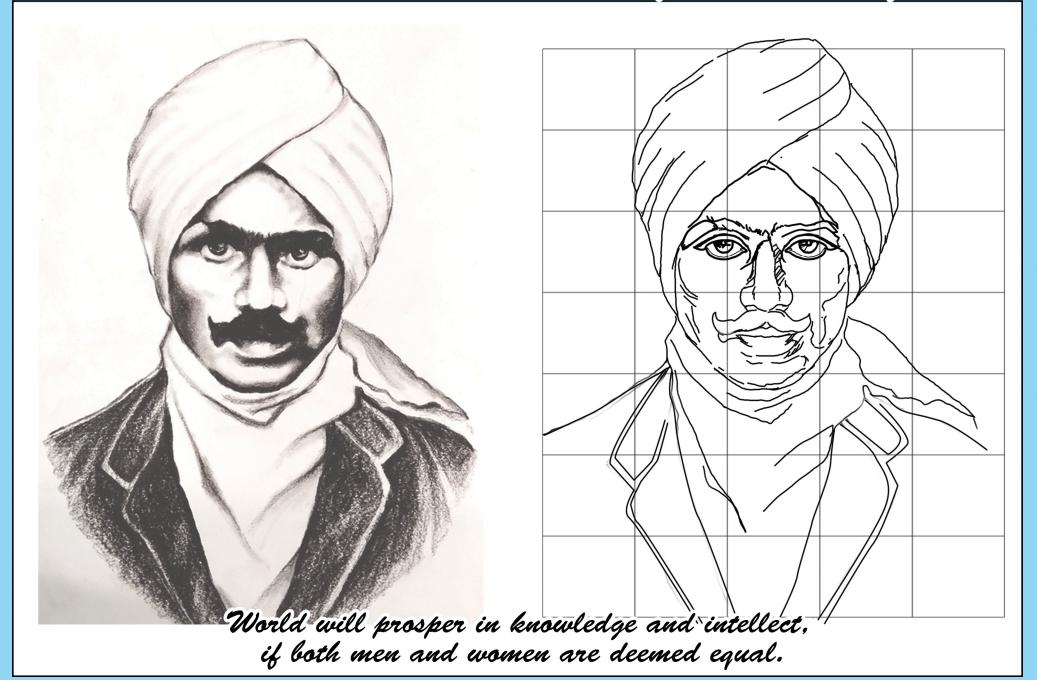
#### Poster Making



Innovation is the ability to see change as an opportunity.

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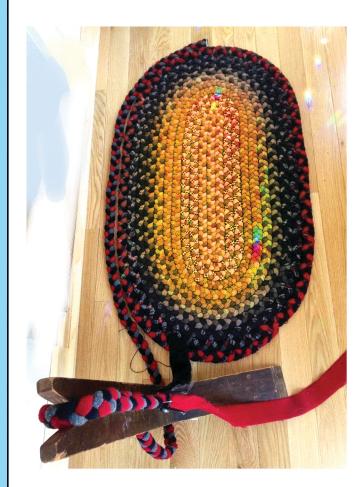








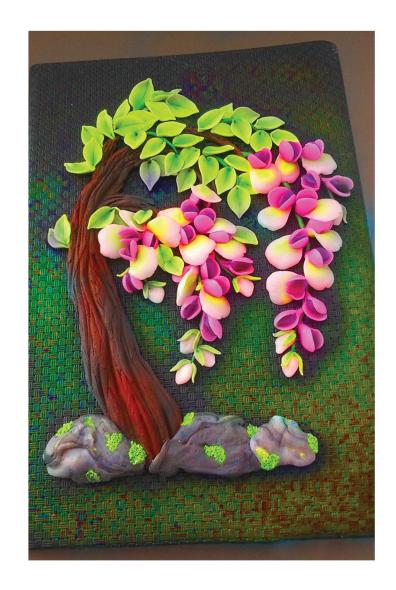




















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