

## Clown Portrait

Junior (6-8 years)

### What we are going to do:

Create a portrait of a clown using simple shapes and colours.

### What you will need:

- Cardstock or Printing paper
- Markers
- Pencil and eraser

### What you can also use:

- Paint – Acrylic or tempera
- Pencil crayons or pastels
- Glitter/sparkles



# Carnival!!!

Clowns are commonly seen in carnivals around the world. They entertain us using props, and delivery jokes and tricks. Have you ever seen a clown before? If you've seen them you'll probably remember their friendliness and colourful clothing, hair and makeup. The way they apply makeup to their face looks as though they are wearing a mask, with big red lips and a round nose, rosy cheeks and exaggerated eyes they stand out in crowd for those reasons and more.

Today you have the opportunity to design your very own clown. We are going to be making a portrait, so that means focusing on only the face of the clown. Think about what expression you want your clown to be making – will the clown be happy, sad or will they be making a silly face?

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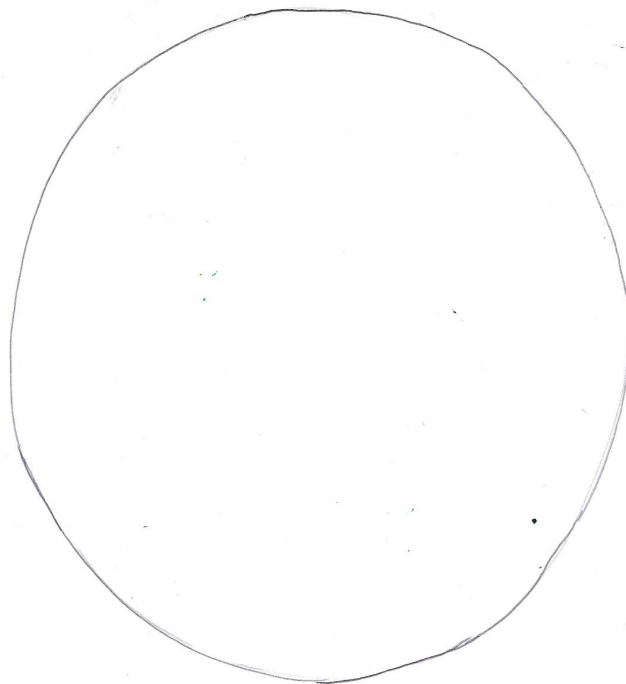


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## **MAKE A CIRCLE**

Let's get started! The first step is to create the shape of the clown's head. Using your pencil, draw the shape a circle or oval.

The circle doesn't have to be perfect, just make sure it's large enough to add all the features of the face - like the nose, mouth and eyes.



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## MAKE THE FACE

Now it's time for the fun part! Using your pencil, start to draw simple shapes and forms to make up the features of the face. Use circles for the nose, eyes and rosy cheeks. Add eyebrows, a mouth and hair with simple shapes and forms. You can make the clown's face as simple or as complicated as you want. Be sure to add any hats or bow ties at this time.

Take a look at the two examples below.



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## ADD COLOUR AND PATTERN

Now it's time for the final step! Let's add colour and pattern to your clown face. Keep the clown's skin colour white, but add colour to all the other areas of the face. Make the hair as colourful as you can imagine, and add pattern using dots and lines to the clown's hat or bow tie.

You can use any of the following mediums to add colour to your clown portrait: markers, crayons, paints or pastels. I used markers in the examples below.



