

DRAGON EGG



intro

Kids love to create. They also love to destroy. This project is a bit of both, the creation of the dragon eye and the egg, and then giving kids the go ahead to tear their egg until only the mysterious eye remains.

Although this project is designed with a dragon in mind, it can also be used for dinosaurs and other reptiles, as well as birds.

OLDER KIDS: Students may choose to draw a dragon eye, or they can research their own type of animal eye and use the same technique to hide it behind an egg, or other dwelling.

This project is perfect for art on a cart, remote learning, non shared supplies, and all around fun. The samples are done with markers, however, crayons, colored pencils, and/or watercolors can easily be substituted.

supplies

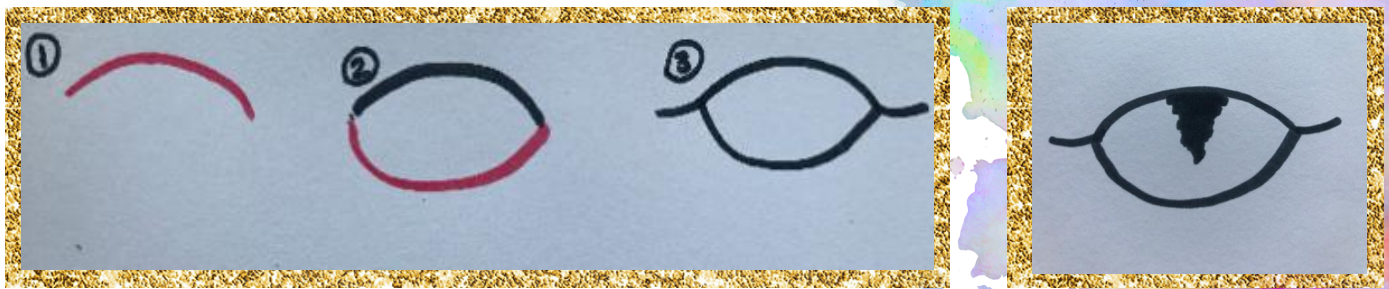
- 2 sheets of 9x12 white sulphite paper
- Markers
- Scissors
- Glue stick or school glue

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step one: creating the eye

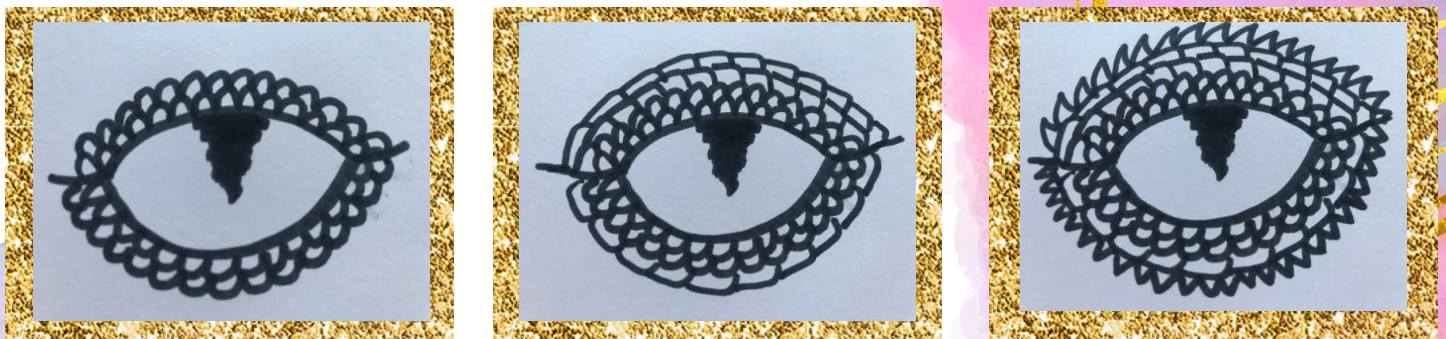
Using a black marker, draw a slightly curved rainbow line approximately the length of a finger. Draw a curved smile line to close the eye. Extend the eye by drawing two lines on either side of the eye.

Using a horizontal coloring motion, color in a V-shape in the center of the eye, starting at the top.



Draw a series of small bumps above the eye starting on the left side and ending on the right. Draw another row of small bumps above the first line. Repeat at the bottom using small u-shapes and drawing two rows

Above the top bumps, draw the next row using longer rectangular shapes. Starting at the left draw a line over, and down to the bumps, over and down, all the way to the right side. Repeat with a second row of rectangular bumps above the first row. On the bottom of the eye, draw one row of rectangular bumps below the two rows of smaller bumps.



Draw small spikes on the top and bottom using a zig zag line. Make the spikes on top slightly larger than the spikes on bottom.

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step two: coloring the eye

Choose three markers for the eye. Choose three shades of the same color, or choose three colors that are analogous on the color wheel.

Begin by using an up and down coloring motion to draw a u-shape in the center of the eye with the lightest color marker. Choose the medium marker to color in a u-shape above and below the light color. Finally, choose the darkest color to finish coloring in the eye.



Choose two colors for the dragon scales. Use one color to color in the small bumps closest to the eye. Use the other color to color in the rectangular scales around the eye. The spikes can be colored in, or left white.

Cut out the eye leaving enough white space around the eye to apply glue later. Set aside.



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step three: making the egg

Using a new sheet of white paper, draw an egg.

Older students can draw an egg shape on their own. Younger students may benefit from starting with a small rainbow line on top, a smile line on bottom, and connecting the two.

Encourage students to decorate the egg however they would like. If they wish to add scales, have them begin by drawing U-shapes at the top from side to side. For the second row, draw U-shapes again, making sure to connect the tips of each U to the bottom middle of the U above it.

Use markers to color in the egg as desired.

When students are done coloring, take a pair of scissors and poke a single hole through the egg where the eye will show.



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step four: finishing up

Use glue on the white paper around the dragon eye.

Flip the egg over and glue the eye on top of the whole in the egg. Press firmly.

Flip the egg back over and now it's time for students to uncover their eye. Pick a piece of the paper and peel it gently away. Continue tearing pieces of paper until the colored part of the eye is showing.

Optional: Add glitter.

