Patterns in Water

We are going to make a drawing inspired by water. You will need a piece of paper, a pencil and some felt tips or pencil crayons.

First, read all the instructions and think about what you would like in your picture. Would it be best to have your piece of paper landscape or portrait?

Draw some wavy lines across your page in pencil. Like water, you can make them smooth and flowing or choppy and uneven or a mixture of both!

You could add a stormy sky, a dessert island or a boat at the top, or starfish or crabs, an octopus or jellyfish, or lots of sharks with someone's toes dangling in the water!

You could also make it a stream with minnows, frogspawn and toads and a flowery riverbank and otter. Or a more terrifying waterway with a shoal of piranha and tree roots. You could even make it a swimming pool and add people swimming.

Next, colour your wavy stripes in watery colours. I used blues and greens but you could try using blues and purples or even grey or brown to match the mood of your picture.

I made a pattern of blue and white stripes for the sky (to make it paler) and yellow and orange for the seabed.

To add interest to your stripes you can add pattern using a lighter or darker pen. I decided to add a cheeky seagull and to collage some fish, to finish my picture!

Have fun and remember I'd love to see your artwork!

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