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Power of the PEN 45 min

Objective:

Understand that drawing is a life skill

Big Idea:

Being able to DRAW enables you to change the world

1. Warm Up / Anticipatory 15 min

Read [My Pen](#) by Christopher Myers



Christopher Myers ends the book with

“There are a million pens in the world and each one has a million worlds inside it - So if you have a pen, see what you can do-Let those world inside your pen out!”

Encourage students to complete continuous line drawings of their friends.

Resources

- Continuous Line Drawing https://youtu.be/2t_evhNwAjo

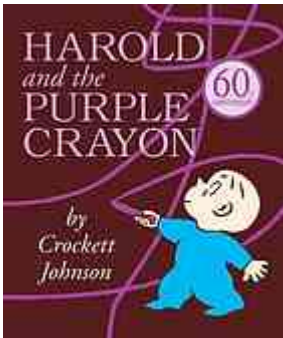
2. Investigation and New Learning 20 min

Other books to use:

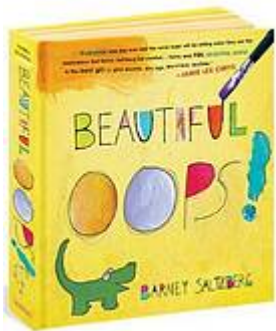
The [Big Adventure of a Little Line](#) by Serge Bloch



[Harold and the Purple Crayon](#) by Crockett Johnson



[Beautiful Oops!](#) by Barney Saltzberg



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3. Review & Check for Understanding 30 min

Review Wonderopolis link on history of ink

<https://wonderopolis.org/wonder/what-makes-ink-per...>



Note: Have students draw a caricature drawing of themselves with one continuous line. Pair students to draw the person across from them or allow students to work w/mirrors or selfie photos.