



AKI 2021 – Fold Out Portrait

Make a dream inspired self-portrait/portrait of a loved one that folds out with a surprise!



Recommended for: Students in Grades K-5

You will need the following materials:

- 2 sheets white copy paper (8.5" x 11")
- Crayons
- Pencil

How to create your Fold Out portrait:

1. Get a regular white sheet of copy paper.
2. With the paper in horizontal position, fold the paper in half.
3. Now fold one side of the half sheet in half.
4. Flip over the folded paper and fold the remaining side up.
5. You are doing the same fold on each side, making four equal creases dividing the full sheet.
6. Now unfold the last fold and turn over your sheet of paper, this will give you a flat side and a side that is slightly raised up.
7. This is where we will make a self-portrait which is a picture of yourself or you can draw a picture of a friend or of someone you love.
8. First, we use a pencil to sketch out a face, which is a long oval or egg shape for the head.
9. To help us plan out our face, we will fold the paper down the center.
10. Once we have our oval shape, we are going to mark a line in the center for our eyes and draw them.
12. Now we draw the nose, lips, ears, and hair. Be sure to color everything in too!
16. We will open up the full paper to extend the edges of the head and draw the imagination, thoughts, dreams, or things of yourself if you are doing a self-portrait or that you love about the person if you are doing one for a loved one. Get creative and fill the page!
19. Once you are done, fold the paper back up to show the portrait.
20. Now open up your imagination and share your fold out surprise with someone special or keep it for yourself.