Zara’s Sketching Studio: Drawing Nature

Learning objective: To practise sketching techniques using light lines, shapes, and texture.

Follow the steps below to create your sketch. Use a light touch with your pencil first. You can add more detail later.

Draw: Draw a bird sitting on a branch. Start by sketching simple shapes like circles and ovals. Use light pencil strokes to outline the bird. Then, add small, dark strokes to create the look of feathers. Keep your drawing neat and clear.

Label words: outline · shading · texture · sketch · light

Steps:

1. Step 1: Draw a light circle for the head and an oval for the body of a bird. Use light lines.
2. Step 2: Add a triangle shape for the beak and two small circles for the eyes.
3. Step 3: Draw short, quick lines on the wings to show feathers. This is called texture.
4. Step 4: Label your drawing using the words from the word bank.