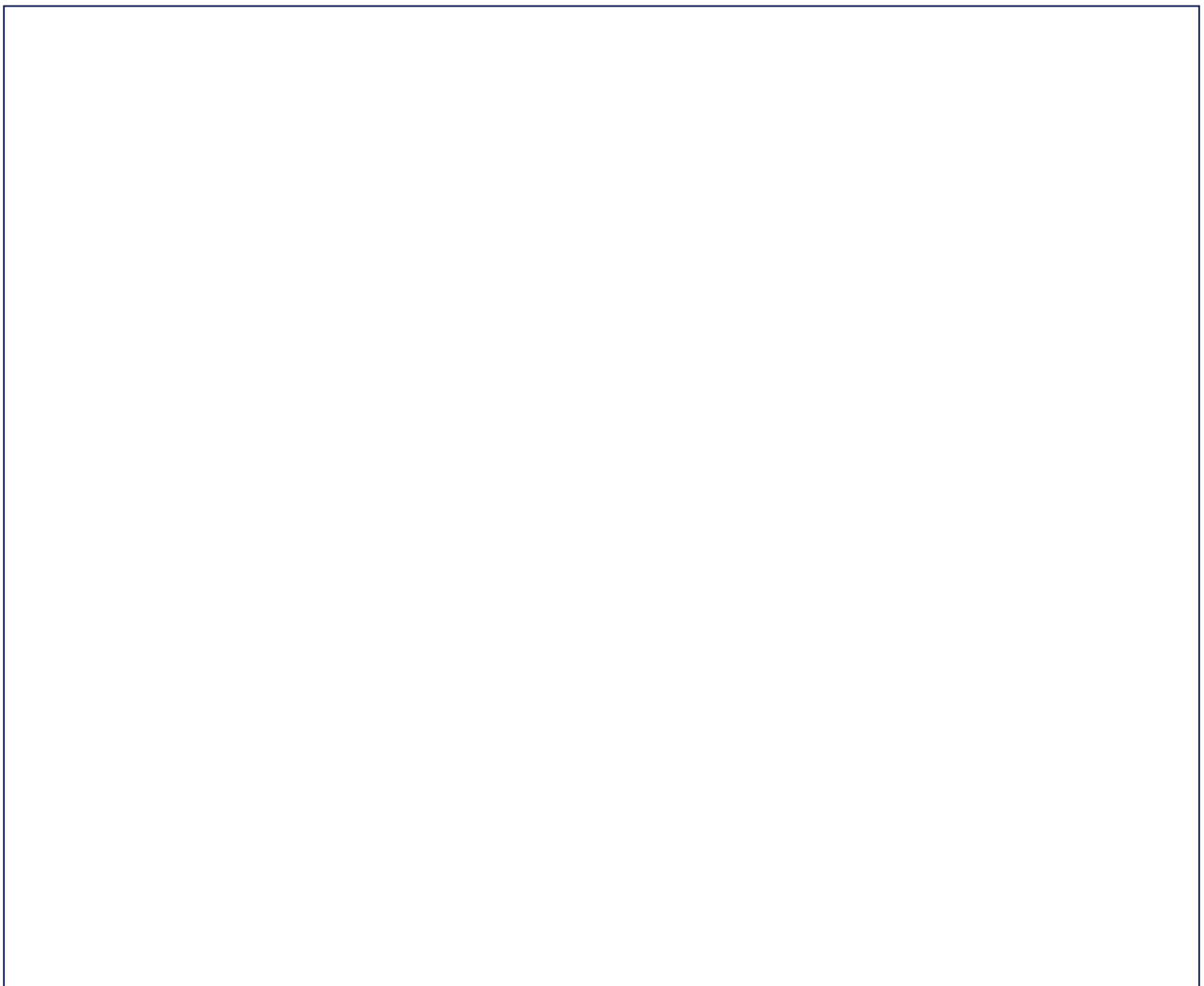


Zara's Patterned Portraits

Learning objective: To explore the features of a human face and use patterns to express personality in a portrait.

Today, we are looking at portraits. A portrait is a drawing or painting of a person that shows their face and their character. Look at the features of your own face in a mirror, then follow the steps below to draw a portrait of a friend or a family member. Remember to focus on the proportions of the face.

Draw: Draw a portrait of a person you know. Start by sketching a light oval for the head. Use your pencil to mark where the eyes, nose, and mouth will go using guidelines. Once the facial features are in place, add details like hair texture and a unique, colourful pattern in the background that represents the person's favourite things (e.g., stars for someone who likes space, or leaves for someone who likes nature).



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Steps:

1. Step 1: Lightly sketch an oval shape for the head. Where should you place the eyes to ensure the face looks balanced?
2. Step 2: Draw the nose and mouth. Label the 'Bridge of the nose' on your drawing.
3. Step 3: Look at your subject's eyes. How would you describe the shape and colour of their iris?

4. Step 4: Zara loves patterns. Add a pattern to the clothing or the background of your portrait to show the person's favourite hobby or style. Describe the pattern you chose.
5. Step 5: Why is it important to consider 'Proportion' when drawing a portrait of a person?