Zara’s Wonderful World of Patterns

Learning objective: I can create a pattern using shapes and natural colours.

About 15 minutes. Grown-up tip: Encourage your child to look for patterns in the kitchen, like on floor tiles or curtains, before they start drawing.

Zara the zebra loves patterns! To make a pattern, you repeat shapes or colours in a sequence. For example, a simple pattern could be: square, circle, square, circle. Look at the grid below and create your own colourful designs. You can use zig-zags, spots, or stripes inspired by the garden.

Draw: Draw a pattern inspired by nature. Include a central shape (like a flower or an oak leaf) and surround it with a repeating sequence of spots or lines. Use bright colours for the shapes and dark colours for the outlines.

Label words: symmetry · sequence · repeat · texture · zigzag

Steps:

1. Step 1: In the first row of your grid, draw a repeating pattern using two different shapes.
2. Step 2: Draw a 'zigzag' line pattern inside the box below to represent a badger's fur.
3. Step 3: Label the 'symmetry' in your drawing. Remember, symmetry means both sides are the same.

4. Step 4: Use a pencil to add 'texture' to your pattern by making the lines thicker or thinner.
5. Step 5: Explain why you chose these colours for your pattern.



I did it! Name: _____ Date: _____

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