

Making Portraits

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Making Portraits

What is a portrait?

A portrait is a picture of a person. It could be a painting, sculpture or photograph.

Instructions for adults

This activity uses the Gallery's paintings to introduce the basic elements of creating a portrait.

It will encourage everyone to look closely at the paintings and discuss what they see.

There are some spaces for drawing, some questions to answer and clues to find.

You will need a pencil to draw and write with.

You may like one trail for each person in your group.

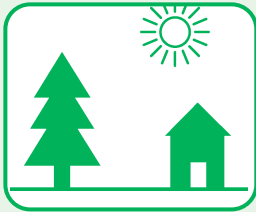
Very Important Person

Choose a portrait of someone by themselves

Make sure your portrait includes:

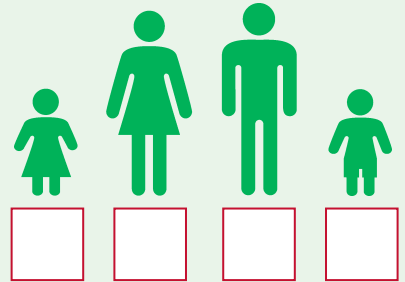


A person



A place

Who did you chose?



What are they...



wearing?



holding?

Are they...



sitting?



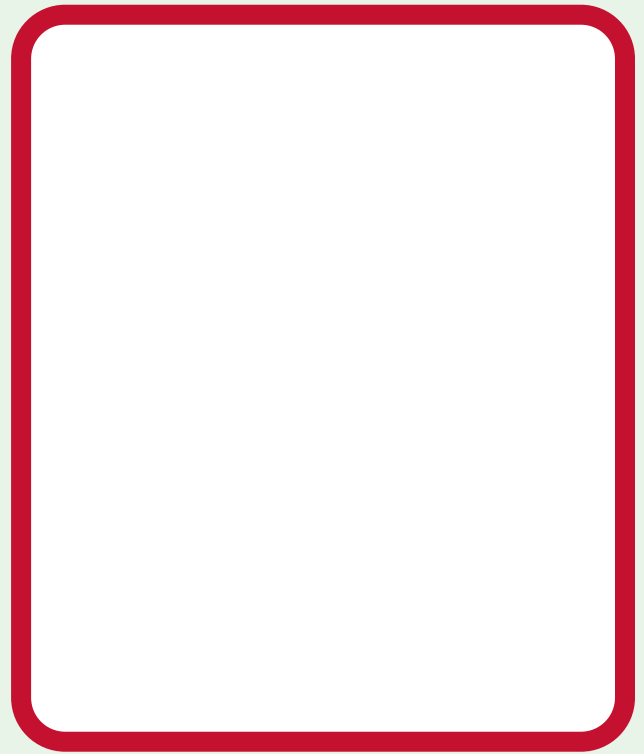
standing?



doing something?

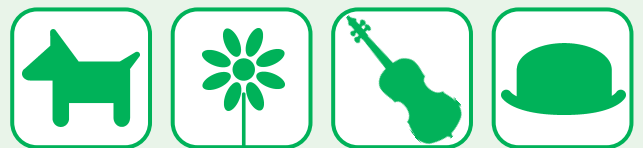


Look at their face - how do you think they are feeling? Draw how you think they are feeling.



Make drawing of the person.

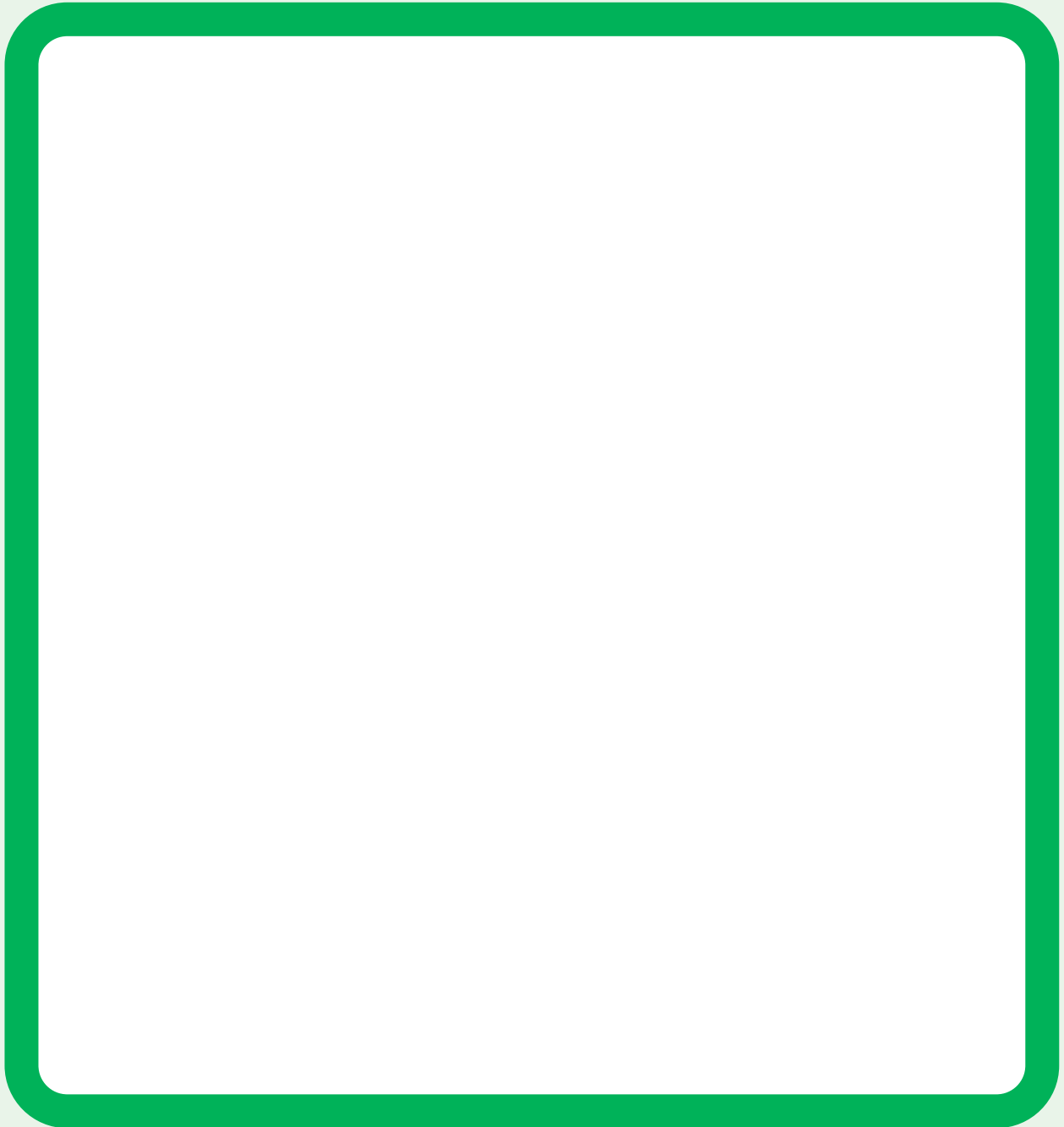
Can you find any clues in the portrait that show us something about them?



Make a face



In the frame draw a portrait of yourself or a friend.



Add a clue to show what they like?

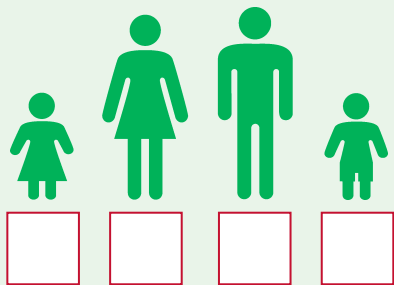


This is a picture of

Family Faces

Choose a portrait of a family

How many people can you see?



Where are they?



What are they...



wearing? holding?

Are they...



sitting? standing? doing something?

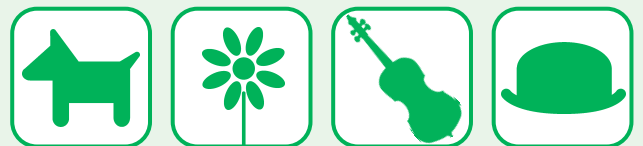


Look at their face - how do you think they are feeling? Draw how you think they are feeling.



Make drawing of the family here.

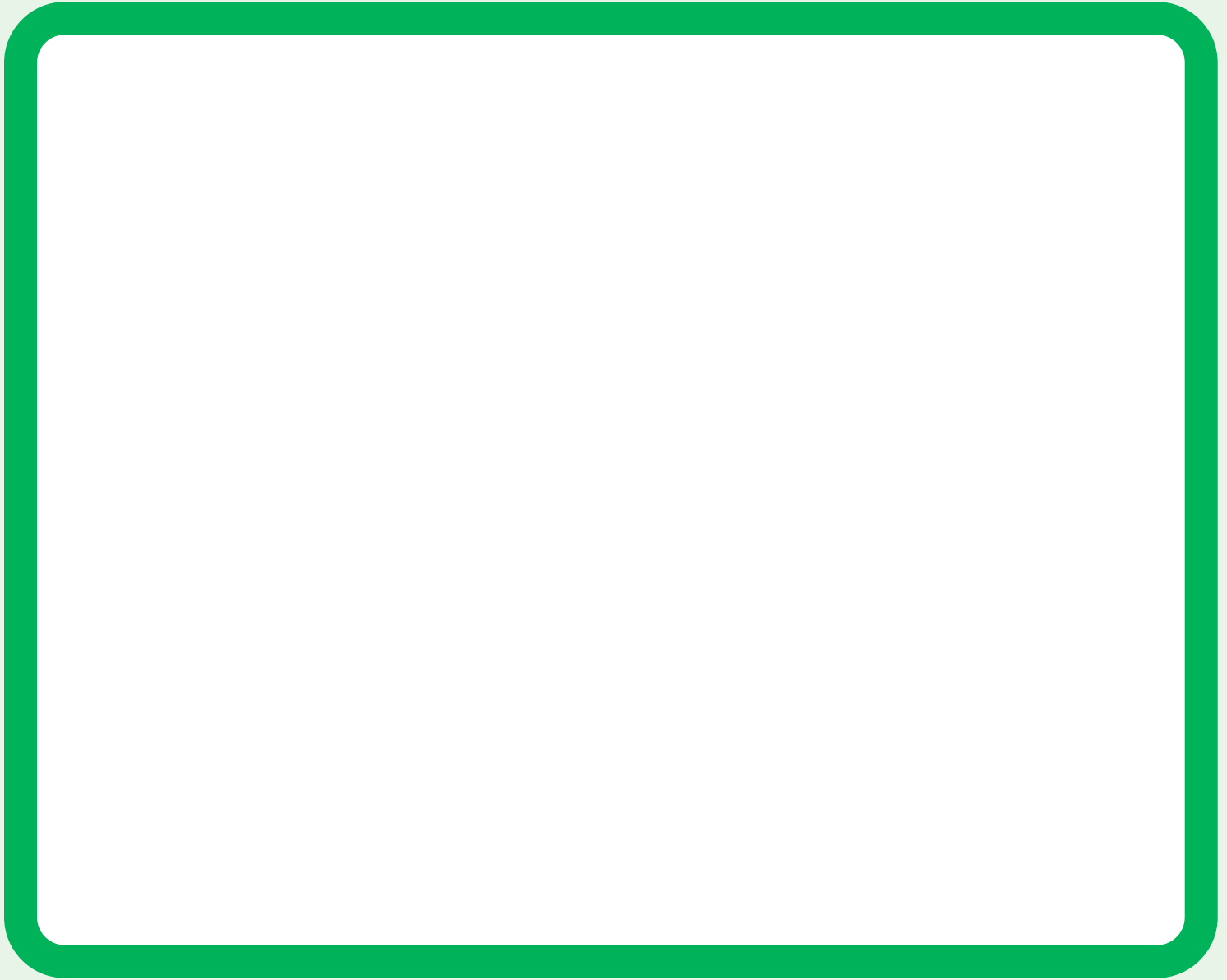
Can you find any clues in the portrait that show us something about them?



Family Favourites



In the frame draw yourself with the people you like.
It could be your family, your friends or your group.



Add clues to show what they like?



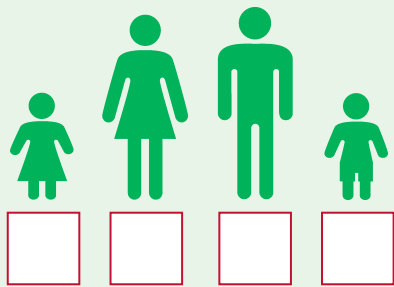
This is a picture of

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Animal Magic

Choose a portrait of someone with an animal

How many people can you see?



Where are they?



What are they...



wearing?



holding?

Are they...



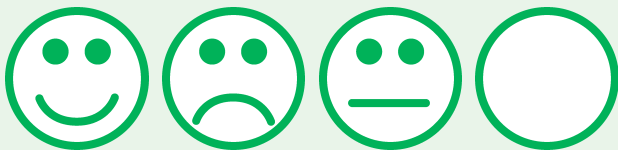
sitting?



standing?

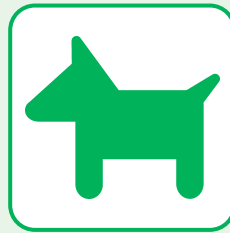


doing something?

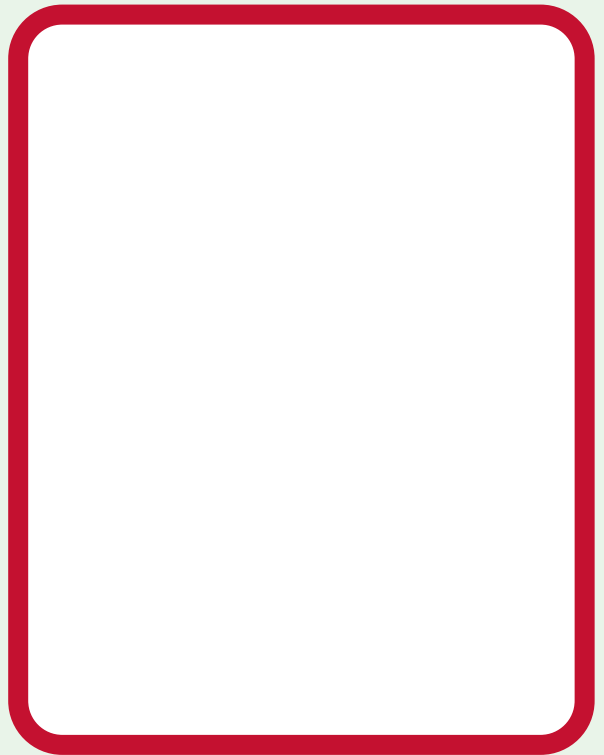


Look at their face - how do you think they are feeling? Draw how you think they are feeling.

What kind of animal is in the



It is a



Drawing the animal here.



Can you find any clues in the portrait that show us something about them?

Pet Pals



Draw yourself with an animal.



What kind of animal are you like? I am like a

How are you feeling, can you show this in your picture?

I have drawn myself with this animal because

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Well done!

You've worked so hard, you deserve an award.

Here's a gift from us for you to do at home

Make a postcard to send to your friends.

You will need:

- ★ colouring pens or pencils
- ★ a pair of scissors
- ★ a stamp

Draw a portrait on the postcard. Cut along the dotted line. Turn the card over and write your message. Add a name and address, then post it!

Make a medal to wear.

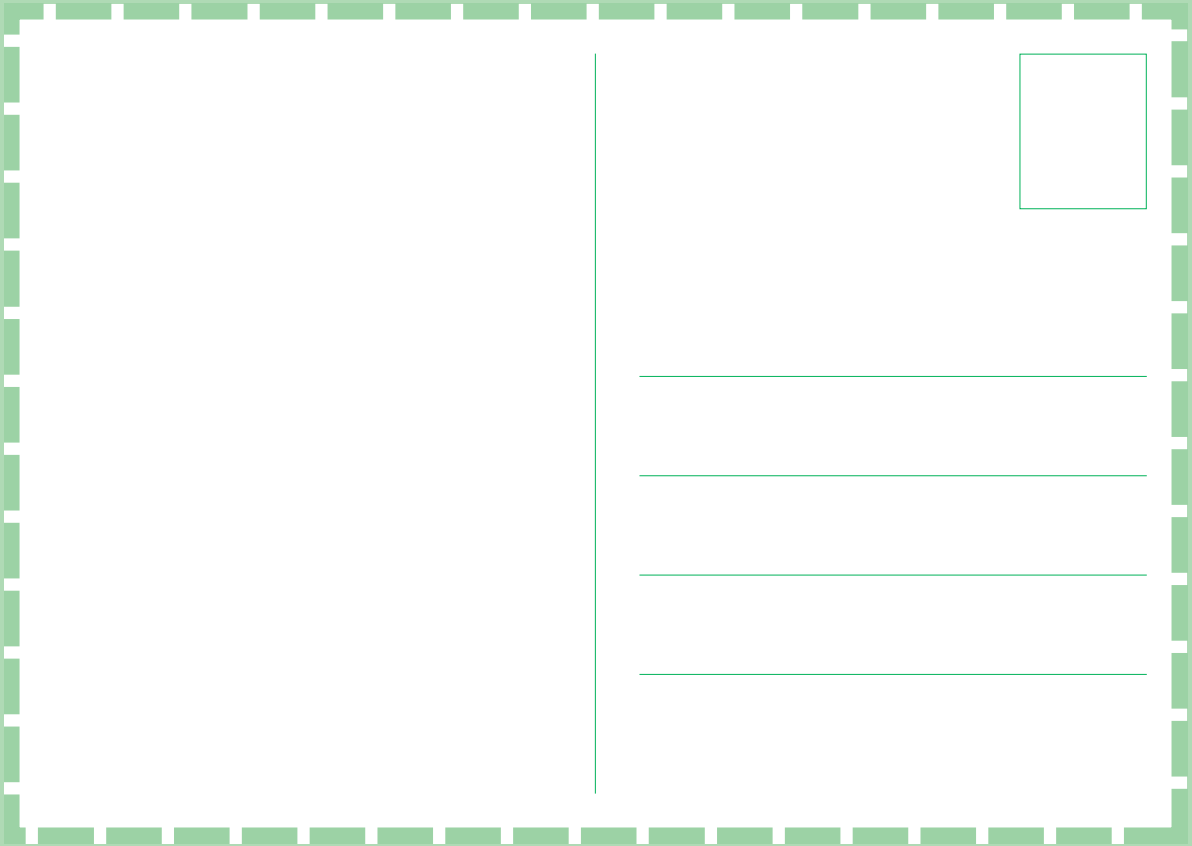
You will need:

- ★ colouring pens or pencils
- ★ a pair of scissors
- ★ a hole punch
- ★ 1 metre length of ribbon

Draw a portrait on the medal. Cut around the dotted line. Make a hole in the top of the medal.

Thread the ribbon through the hole. Make sure the ribbon is long enough to fit over your head. Award the medal to yourself or someone you think deserves it.





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