

# Third Grade Summer Reading Homework



Dear Incoming Third Grade Students,

Welcome to an exciting writing adventure! We're going to explore what makes each of you unique and special, just like Marisol McDonald in the story, "Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match". Everyone has their own special qualities that make them one-of-a-kind, and now you'll get to share yours!

**Videos:** [HMH Module 1 Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match by Monica Brown](#) [How to Draw... a Self-Portrait \(for Young Kids\)](#)

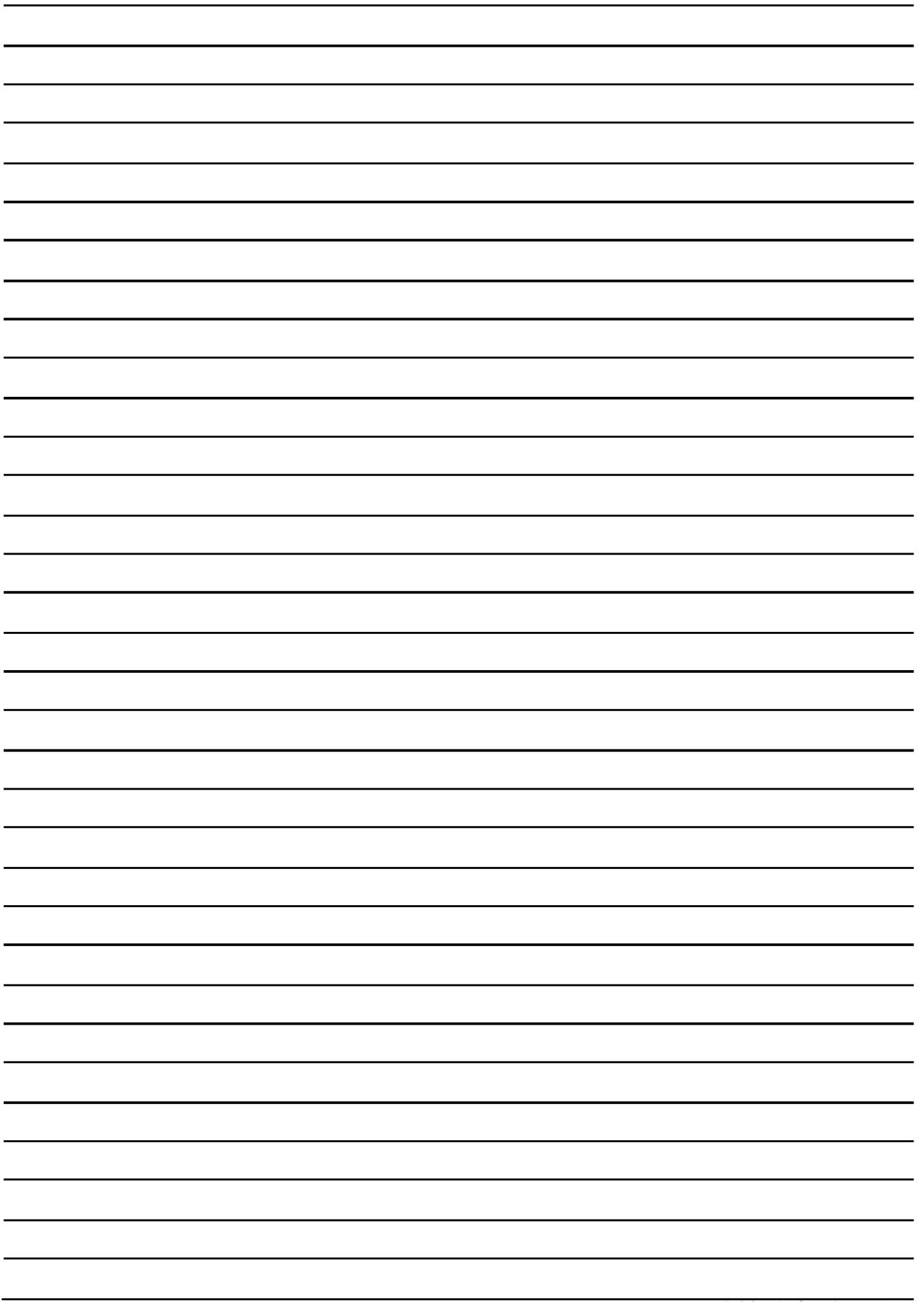
[ArbX.org Presents Self Portraits!](#)

**Writing Assignment:** After listening to "[Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match](#)," create a special piece of writing about yourself.

Here's what you need to do:

1. Think about what makes you unique:
  - Your favorite hobbies
  - Special talents you have
  - Dreams for the future
  - Family traditions
  - Interesting stories about your life
  - Things you love to do
2. Write 2-3 paragraphs about yourself on lined paper:
  - Each paragraph should have at least 5 sentences.
  - Include at least 3 things that make you different from others.
  - Explain why these things are important to you.
  - Match your writing style to your personality.
3. Remember to:
  - Use complete sentences.
  - Check your spelling.
  - Use correct punctuation.
  - Make sure your grammar is correct.
  - Read your work out loud to check if it makes sense.

Your writing will go with your self-portrait, so make your words as colorful and special as your artwork! Just like Marisol McDonald, celebrate what makes you different and unique. There's only one YOU in the whole world – let's share your story!



# Self-Portrait Drawing Instructions- [portraitframe](#)

## Materials Needed:

- Picture frame template
- Colored pencils, crayons, or markers
- Regular pencil
- Mirror

## Step-by-Step Directions:

1. Look in the mirror and observe your special features. What makes you, YOU?
2. Using a regular pencil first:
  - Draw a large circle for your head (make it big - fill most of the paper!).
  - Add your neck and shoulders.
  - Sketch your eyes, nose, and mouth.
  - Don't forget your ears!
  - Add your hairstyle.
3. Make it unique:
  - Include special details like freckles, glasses, or dimples.
  - Show your personality through your expression.
  - Draw any special items that represent you (favorite hair clips, earrings, or necklace).
4. Add color:
  - Use the correct colors for your skin tone, hair, and eyes.
  - Make sure to press firmly with your colors to make them bright and vibrant.
  - Color neatly within the lines.
  - Add shading to make your portrait look more realistic.
5. Final touch:
  - Add a colorful background that shows your personality

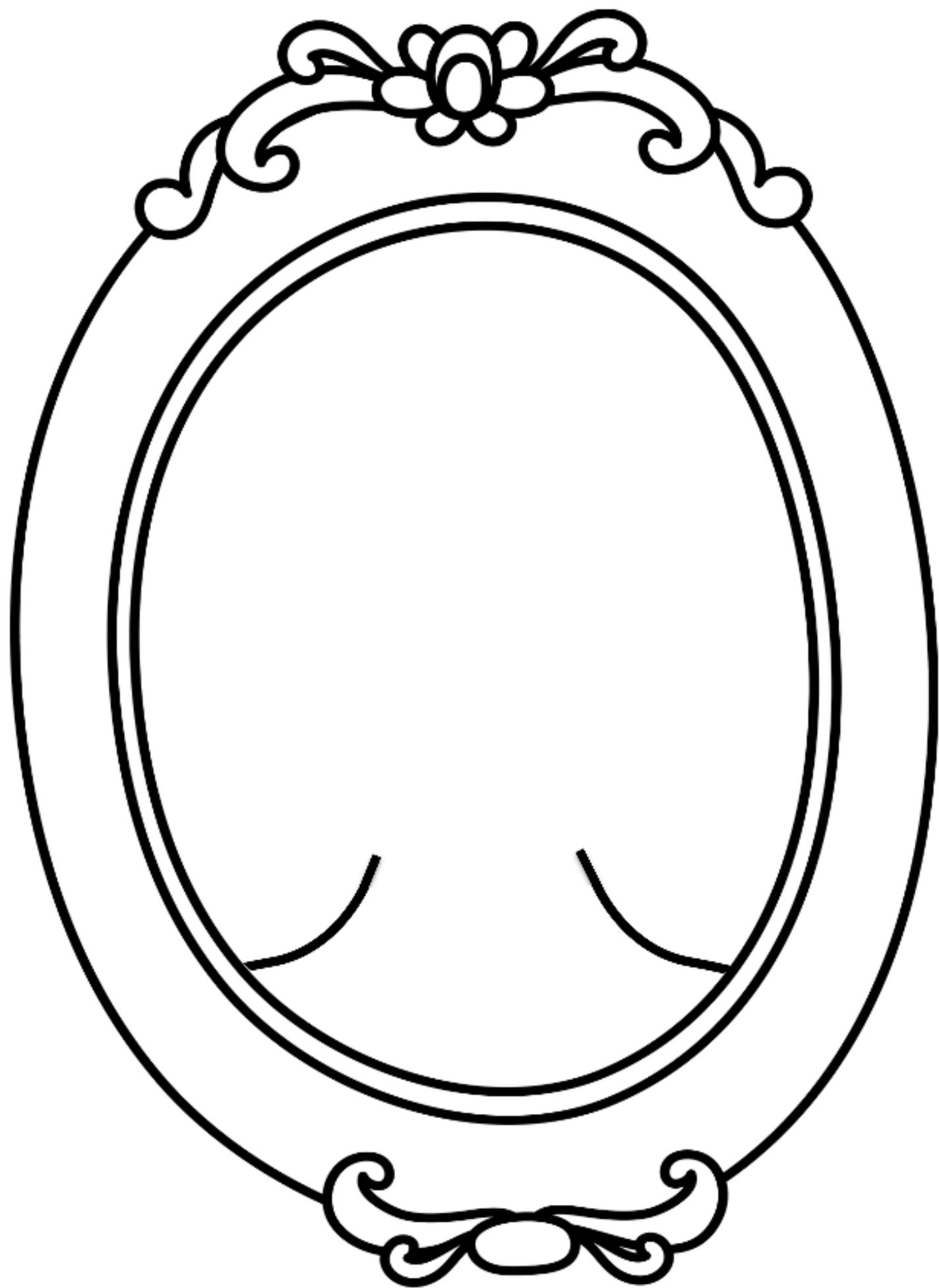
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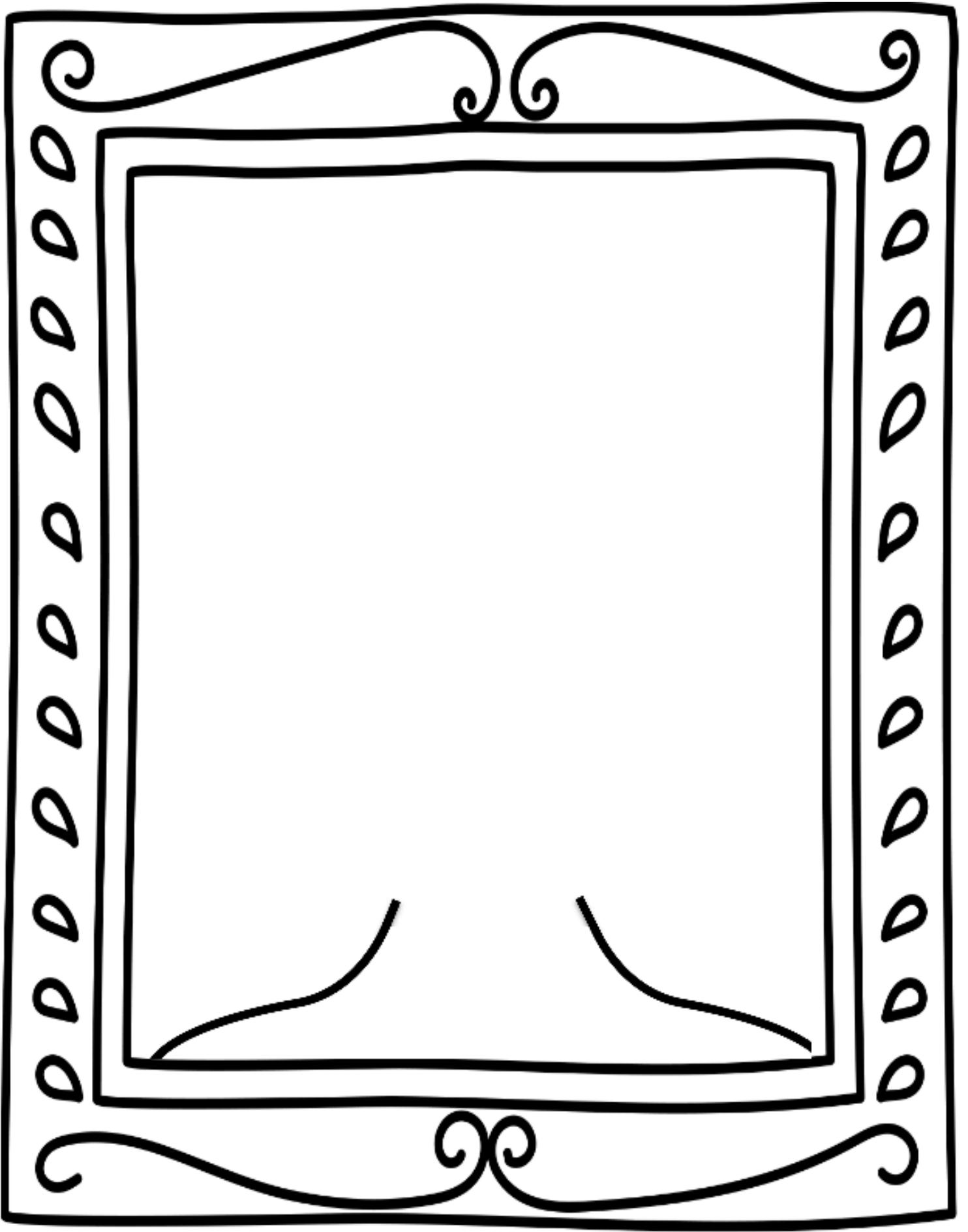
- Take your time
- Make your portrait fill the whole page
- Use bright, neat coloring
- Include details that make you special
- Show your personality through your expression

[How to Draw... a Self-Portrait \(for Young Kids\)](#)

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[How To Draw A Self Portrait: For Kids!](#)





# High-Frequency Words:

Practice reading and writing these words you learned in second grade!

## Grade 2 HD Word Heart Words

pick, small, fall, wish, much

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start, far, or, wash, into

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best, its, which, drink, some

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carry, your, before, does, eight

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done, laugh, read, want, off

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hurt, never, better, first, after

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upon, bring, sing, goes, long

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work, any, buy, walk, were

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why, try, myself, open, funny

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going\*, only, over, every, under

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seven, once, from, they, there

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together, today, don't, know, cold

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use, those, these, made, gave

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around, about, would, found, round

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warm, again, been, who, five

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full, pull, could, put, very

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grow, keep, light, clean, show

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draw, always, both, hold, saw

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own, sleep, green, away, right

many, their, write, because, hold

# JULY READING CHALLENGE

Color one picture for every book you read this month!



# AUGUST READING CHALLENGE

Color one picture for every book you read this month!

