

# Symmetry Bugs

**Symmetry**--the quality of being made up of exactly similar parts facing each other or around an axis.

To get started fold your large drawing paper in half and use a black oil pastel to draw HALF of a bug's body. Don't forget, a bug has 3 parts: the head, abdomen and thorax. Now add other things like legs, wings, antennae, patterns and designs to create a unique bug.

Next, FOLD the paper closed and rub all over your design. This will transfer the oil pastel using the heat of your hands to the other side of the paper and create perfect vertical symmetry. Go over the light transferred lines with a black oil pastel to make it complete.

Now paint with watercolor. Make sure your bug is painted **symmetrically!**

Reflect: Where else can you find symmetry in nature?

