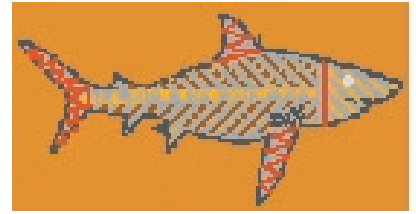


X-Ray Style Australian Aboriginal Art: An Art Activity for Students



In this activity, students will create a work of art in the X-Ray style of Australian Aboriginal Art.

The X-Ray style of Australian Aboriginal art is a distinctive style that was developed thousands of years ago in Australia. Cave paintings of this type have been found in Arnhem Rock, in northern Australia (east of Darwin). These paintings seem to depict the outline of the animal plus diagrams of the bones and some internal organs.

Supplies:

- Brown paper (cut a square from a large paper grocery bag or use brown construction paper)
- Pencil
- Pastels or tempera (use earth colors: deep red, black, white, brown, yellow, ochre, gray, etc.)
- Brushes

Instructions:

In order to create a work of your own in this style, first think of what subject you would like to draw (fish, kangaroos, lizards, and people are traditional subjects). Decide what colors you want to use in your picture and how you want the lines within your picture to flow (you can accurately depict where the bones would be or draw the lines in any other fashion).

