

CAT IN COLOURED PENCIL – INSTRUCTIONS

Print out the 'Cat outline grid'

The 'cat outline grid' is divided into squares. Once you've printed out this sheet, draw a grid on a separate sheet of paper 8 squares high by 6 squares across. They should all measure 3cm. What you need to do then is write 1 to 8 down the left side, just like on the grid, and write A to F along the top.

Now, with your drawing pencil, you should look at each square and copy what you see. So, in square 1A you should draw the cat's ear. Once you've done that, go along to the next square, 1B, and draw the top of his head.

It's quite tricky at first. You need to estimate how far up or across each line starts. Once you've done the top row, go onto the one underneath, and keep going until you've drawn everything in each square. By the end, you should have a drawing of the whole cat.

It's good practice to draw it yourself but, if you find it a bit too difficult, print out the 'Cat outline', and you can simply colour this one in.

Next, you need to print out the 'Cat step-by-step'.

This sheet shows you how to colour in the cat. I've used a 'cross hatching' technique, using criss-cross lines.

If you enjoyed drawing the cat, you could easily draw a larger version.

If you have a bigger sheet of paper, draw your squares 4cm instead of 3cm. If you don't have larger paper, stick two A4 sheets together side by side with a piece of sticky tape. Then turn it over so that the shiny tape is on the other side.

Using 4cm squares will make the grid 24cm across the top and 32cm down the side.