



This is the coat of arms  
created for Ireland in 1541 by  
King Henry VIII of England

How to create your own personal  
**Coat of Arms**  
inspired by  
**The Chapel Royal, Dublin Castle**

A coat of arms contains symbols and figures that represent your family

Think about the characteristics that describe your family

Consider what animals (don't forget your pets),  
buildings, treasures are important to you

Do you have a slogan or saying that you like?



# How would you describe yourself

Brave

Courageous

Generous

Cheerful



Fearless

Kind

Wise

Loyal

Positive  
thinker

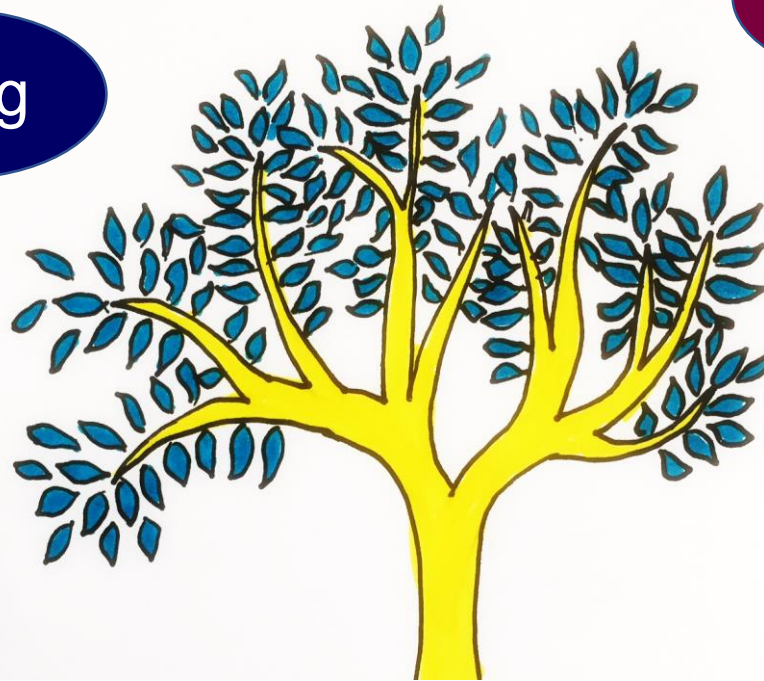
Energetic

Strong

Great fun

Friendly

Artistic





# Here are some examples of Coats of Arms of the Viceroy\* that worked at Dublin Castle



The Wodehouse Family motto was 'Strike Strong' Look at the hand and club at the top



Zetland valued the lion (the symbol of England) and it took up his whole shield



Spencer has a lot of symbols in his Coat of Arms. This looks like a phoenix



The Houghton family look like they loved windmills, they have included six on their Coat of Arms

\*Viceroy were the representatives of the British Crown in Ireland from 1172-1922

# These were the materials I used:

One large piece of paper or card  
on which to create your Coat of Arms

Markers, crayons or pencils for colouring in

Coloured paper

White paper

Glue stick

Scissors

Sellotape or masking tape

Ruler

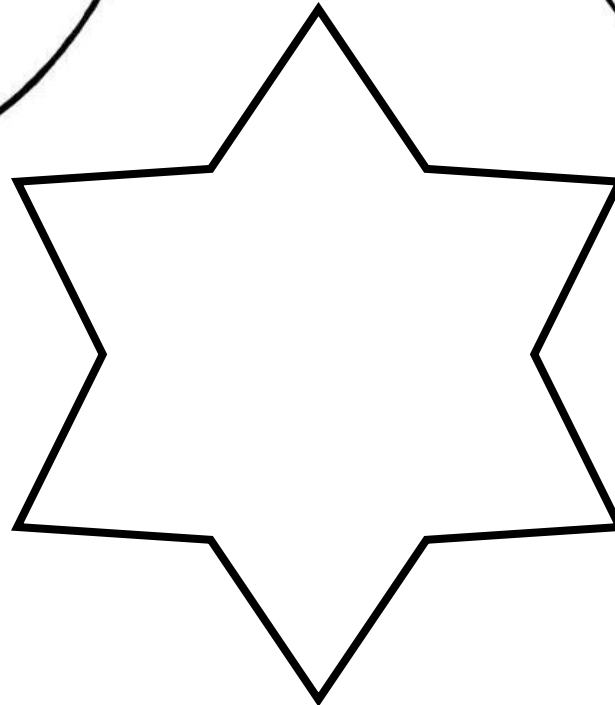
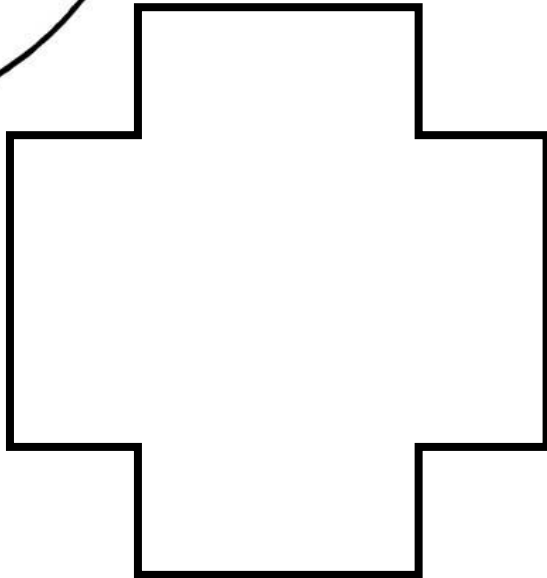
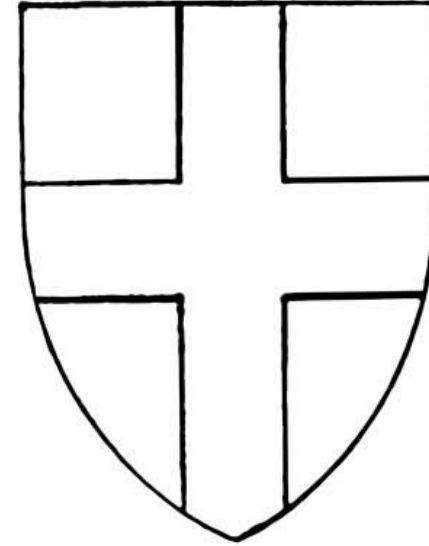
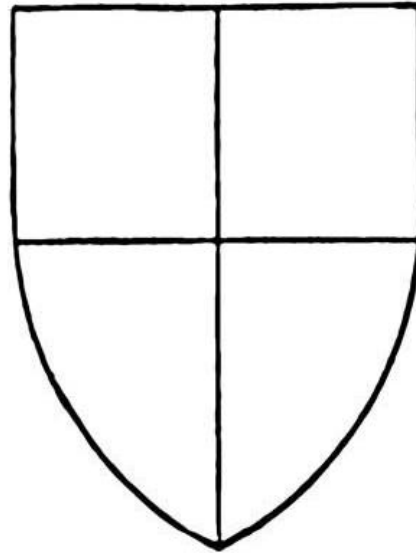
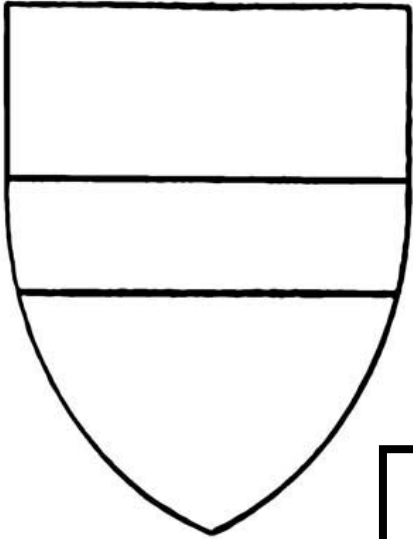


But the most important thing is

# Imagination

# Here are some basic shapes to start you off

Choose one and draw it large on your largest paper or card





# Here is my work in progress

Decide on your symbols and ideas.

I love books



We have 2 cats and they don't really like each other

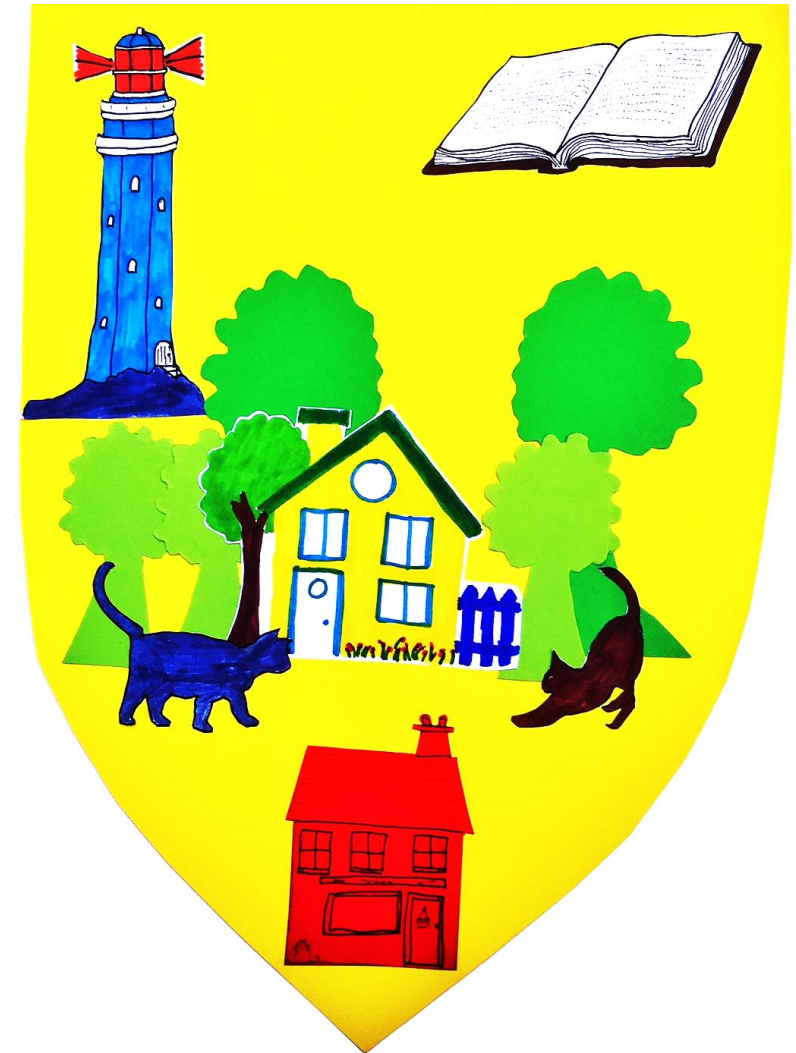


Home is very important to me



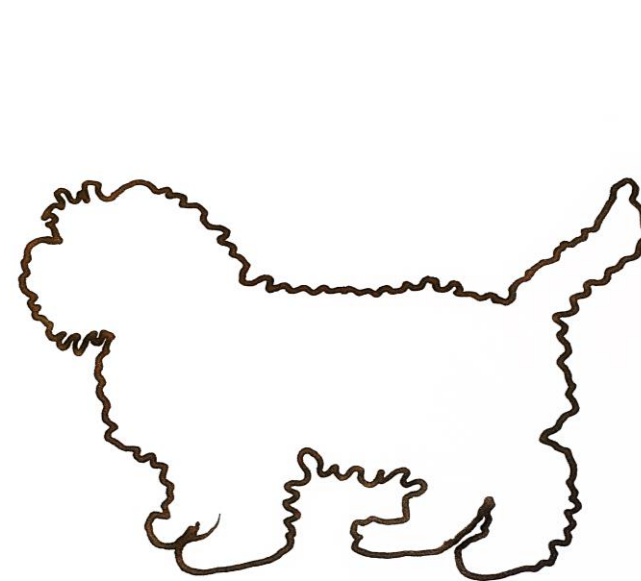
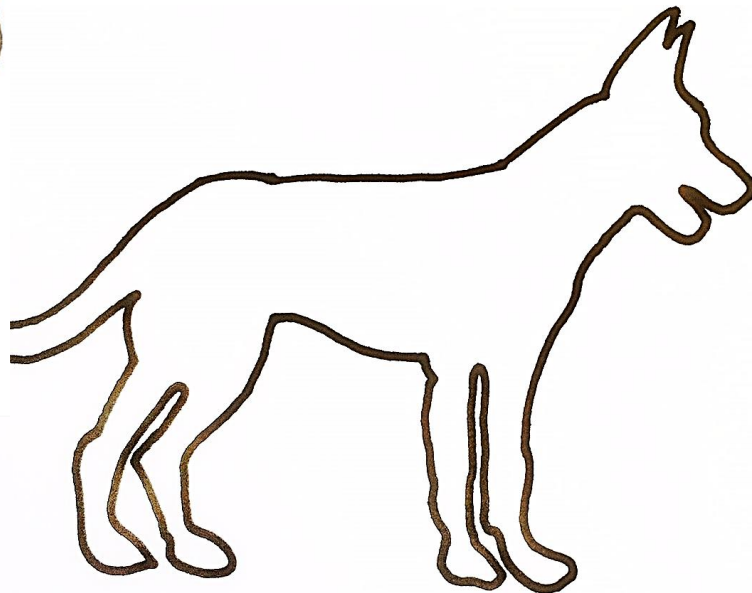
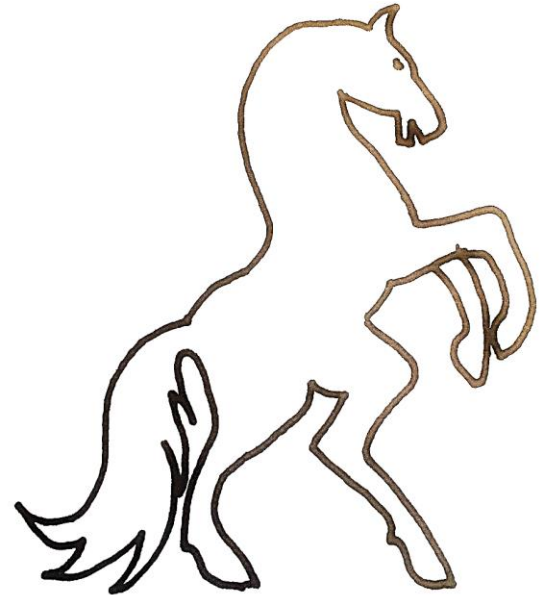
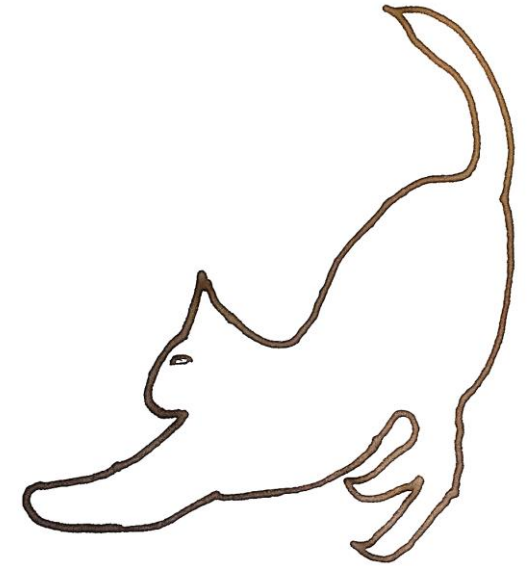
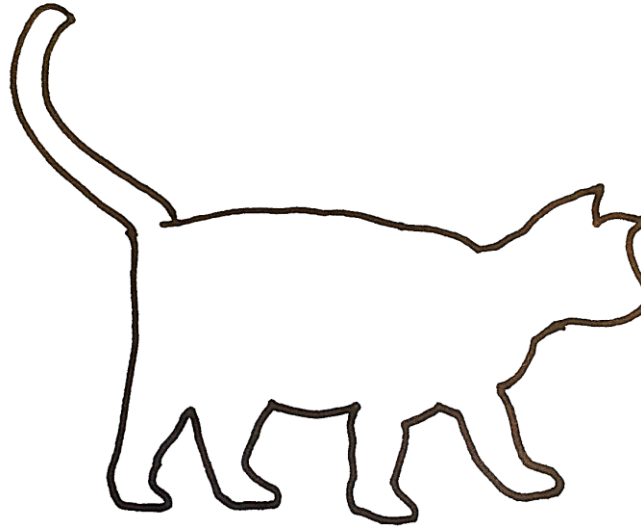
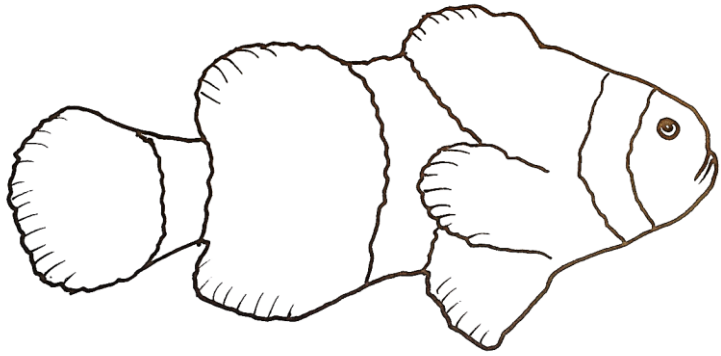
Trees drawn like this remind me of talking heads

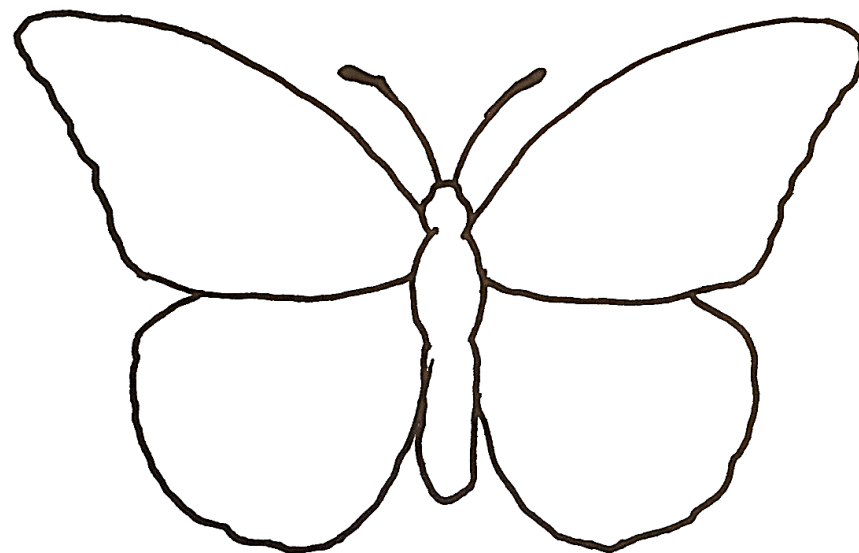
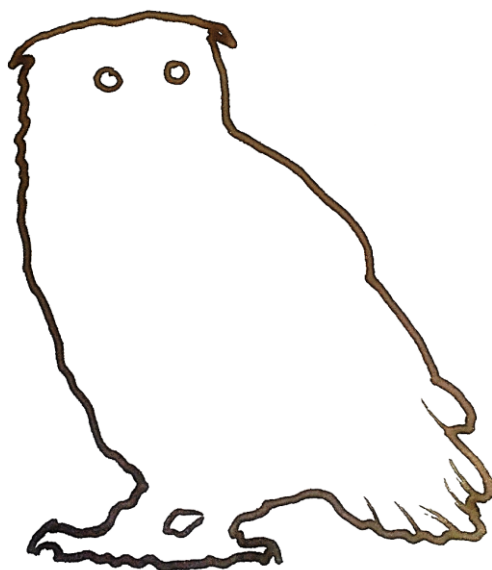
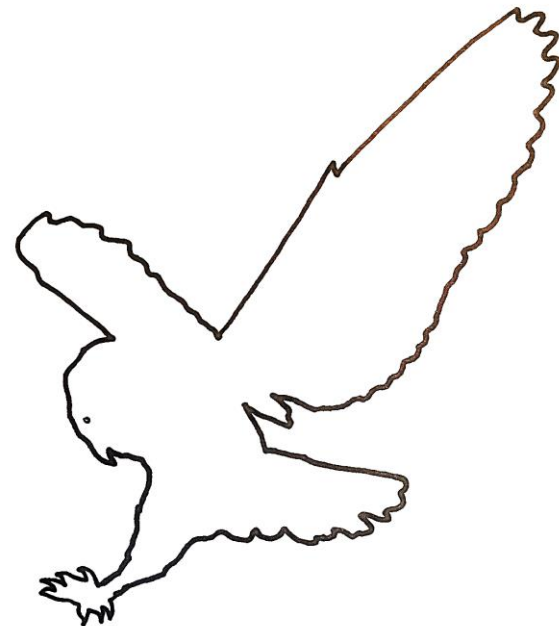
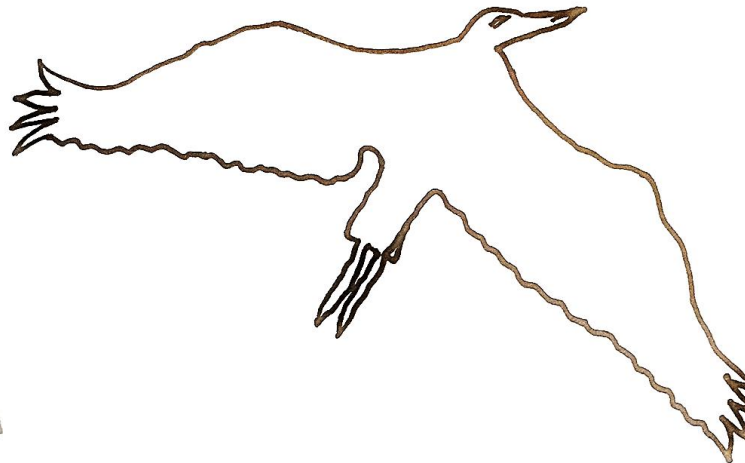
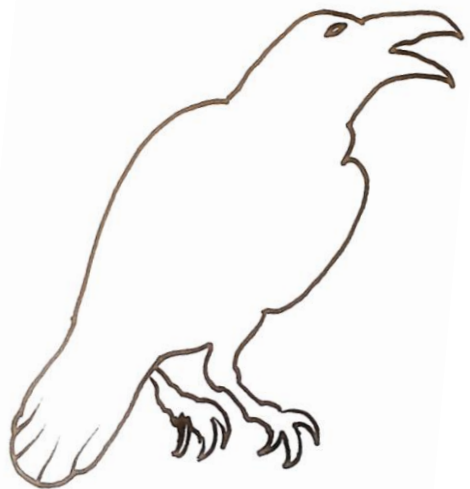
Lay the pieces on your shield and play around until you are happy with the arrangement



Here is my finished Coat of Arms

Here are some ideas for you to play with

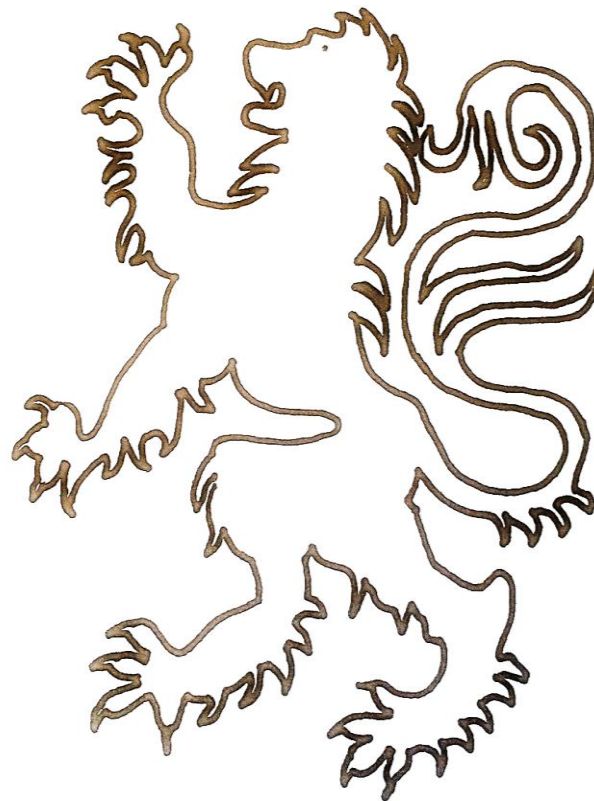
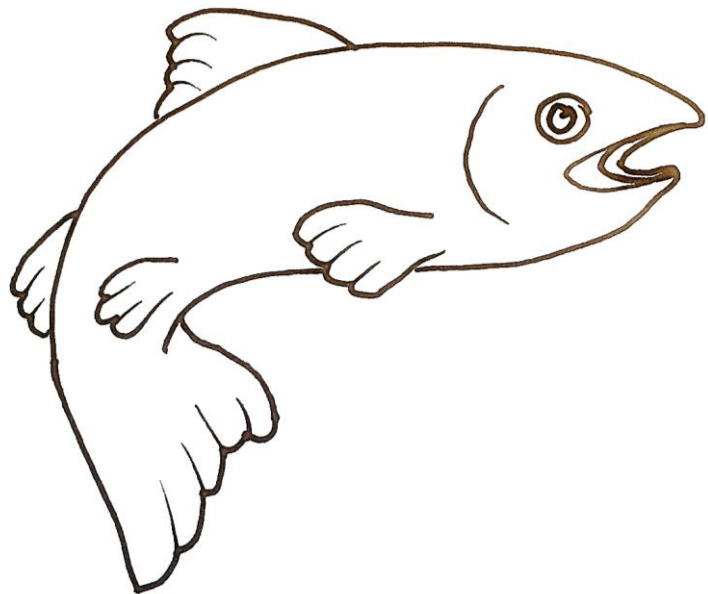




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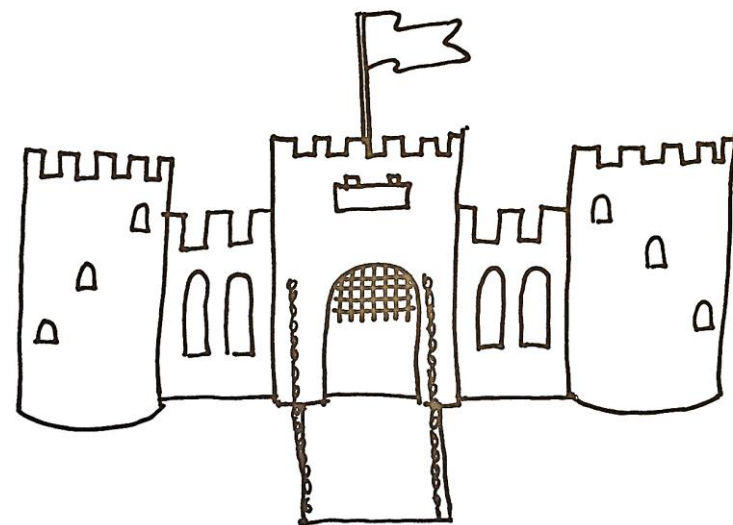
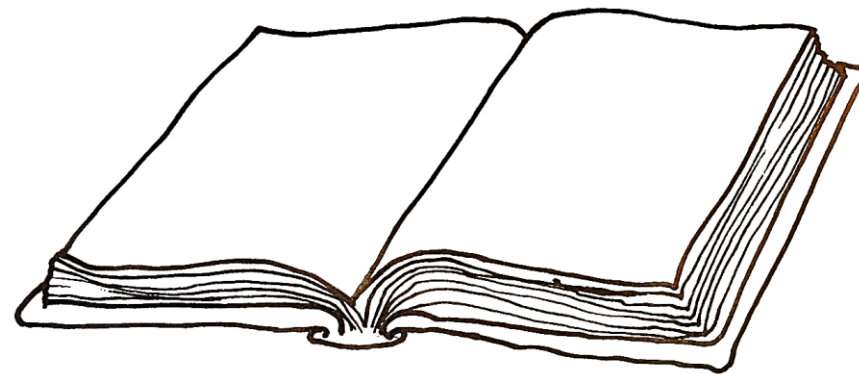
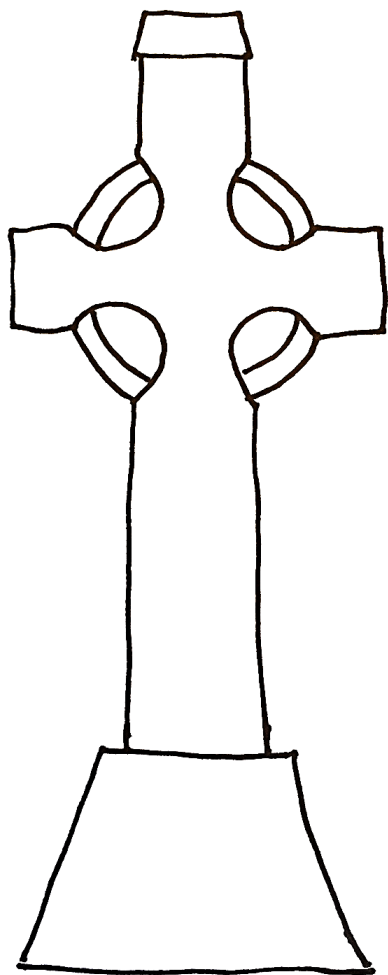
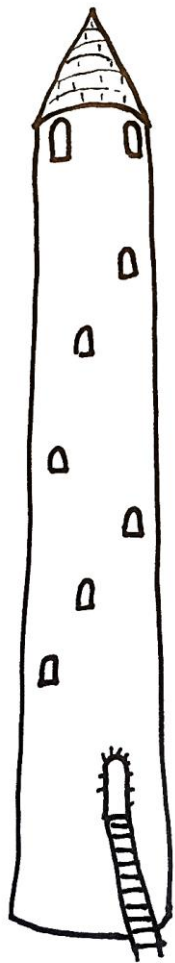
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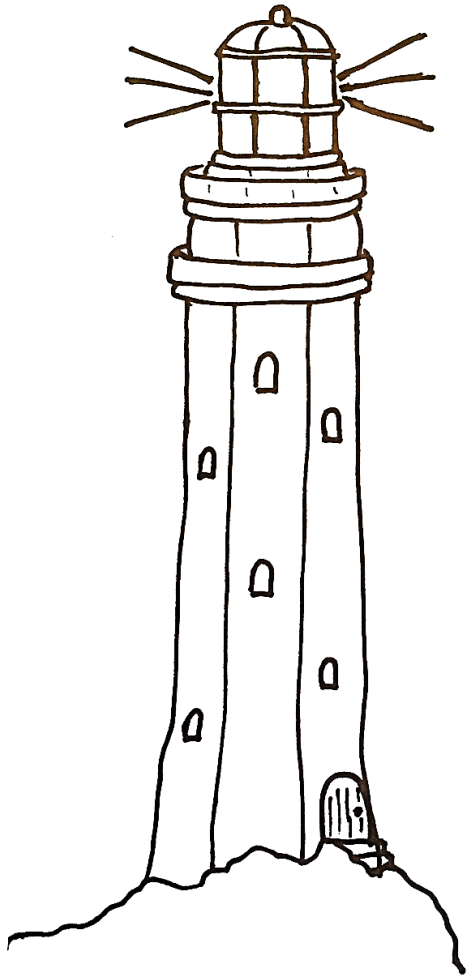


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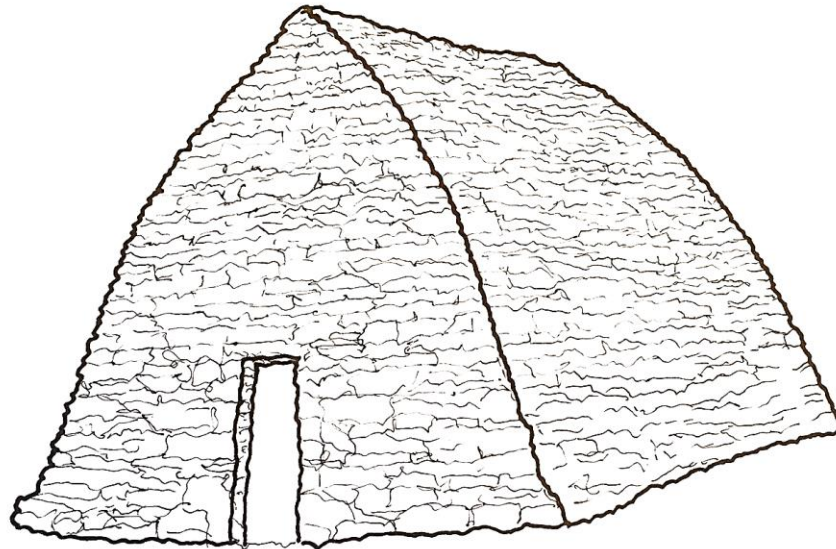
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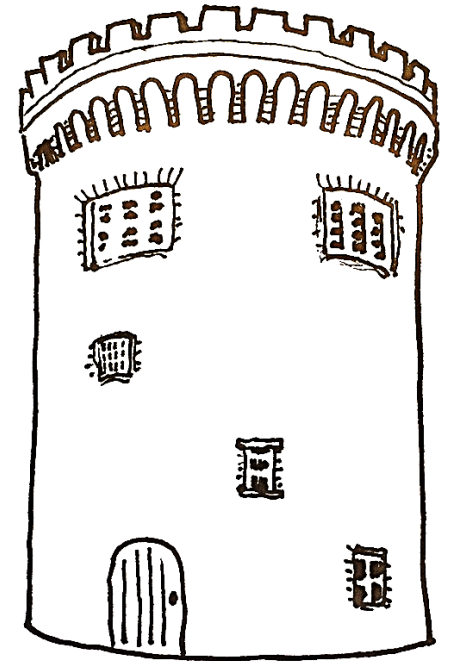
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Inspired by The Rock of Cashel.



Inspired by Gallarus Oratory



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