

Drawing Challenge Day 5 - Taking a Line for a Walk

'Drawing is like taking a line for a walk.' - Paul Klee

What do you think the artist means by this?

For todays challenge you will be taking a line for a walk.

Take your pen or pencil and place it on the edge of the piece of paper.

Read the poem below (or get someone to read it to you). Try to keep your pen moving as you read or listen to each line of the poem. Let the words guide where your hand goes. Make your marks nice and big. *It works best if you close your eyes and draw whilst you listen to the poem being read.*

One day I went for a walk

I shut the door and set off, steppity stepping down the street

The warm breeze stroked my cheeks and I began to skip

Suddenly, I stopped

A dark black hole appeared in front of me

I trembled as I peered over the edge

With my breath held, in I jumped

Down, down, down I spiralled as I fell, landing with a great thump

With my eyes closed I could feel my heart beating

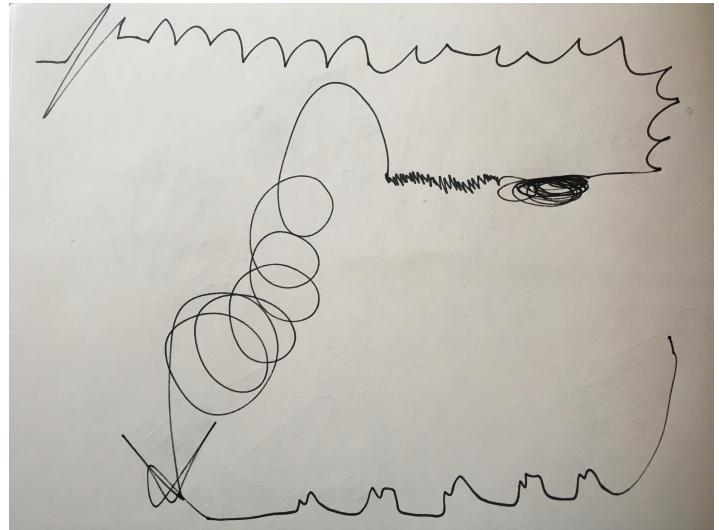
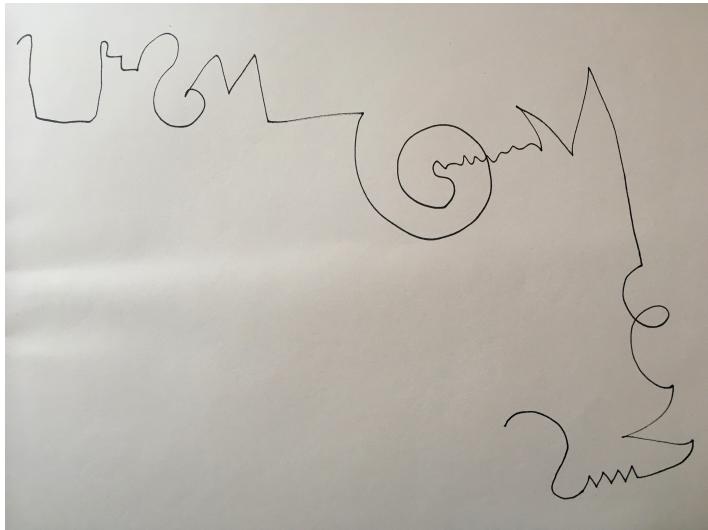
I slowly opened them and saw in front of me...

Now have a look at your line. Can you see different parts of the poem in what you have drawn? What could you add to the end?

Think of your own walking line poem. Read it to someone else and see what they draw!



Here are some examples from my house.



Now you have some ideas of different types of lines you can make, see if you can fill your whole page with a walking line. Start in one corner and use different lines to move around the page. Finally, colour in some of the different shapes using coloured pens or pencils. Here's one I tried.

