Perspective Pathway

Let’s Create! Learn about how objects appear smaller when they are farther away from you and larger as they get closer by designing your own perspective pathway.

Materials:
- Paper
- Pencil and eraser
- Ruler
- Coloring implements (crayons, colored pencils, markers etc.)

Steps:
1. Make sure your paper is oriented landscape or long-ways. Use your pencil and ruler to draw a horizontal line across your paper.
2. Draw a dot in the middle of your paper on the horizontal line (you can eyeball it). This dot will be your vanishing point.
3. Using your ruler and pencil again, draw a line from your dot to the different edges of your paper. Make sure you are drawing symmetrical lines across the page—that means the lines should look the same on the right and left side of the page’s center. Your page should be starting to look like the image below!
4. Once you have your guiding lines added, add some trees, bushes, or even buildings along the lines! Note that the objects closer to your vanishing point should appear smaller than the objects farthest away from your vanishing point. (See image below)

![Image of a pathway with guiding lines](image)

5. Erase the guiding lines that go through your trees and objects. You can also add some characters or more decorative objects – it’s really up to you! Finish up by coloring everything in!

**Caregiver tips:**
Try asking your learner questions to help them create their pathway! What makes it special? Who might you encounter while walking alongside this pathway? Where does it lead? Using perspective was an important achievement in art, learn more about its history on this [website](#).