Create a creature!

Do you have a favorite animal? What are some of its features? Does it have wings? Scales? Big eyes? Feathers? What if you could create your own animal?

Let’s look at Jaime Hayon’s Green Chicken. How is it different from a real chicken? Look closely at its legs—instead of having skinny chicken legs, it’s a rocking chair! The artist used a chicken as inspiration for this green plastic rocking chair.

Now, look at Nellie Mae Rowe’s Untitled (Pink Creature). What animal do you think inspired her pink creature? If you could name it, what would you call it?

Create your own creature! On a piece of paper, use crayons, markers, or colored pencils to draw your creature. Use your favorite animal as inspiration. Does your creature have floppy ears like a dog, a long neck like a giraffe, or a trunk like an elephant?

Once you’ve finished your creature, give it a name! How does your creature move? What does it sound like?

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