



Choose: who would you draw on top of your Earth?

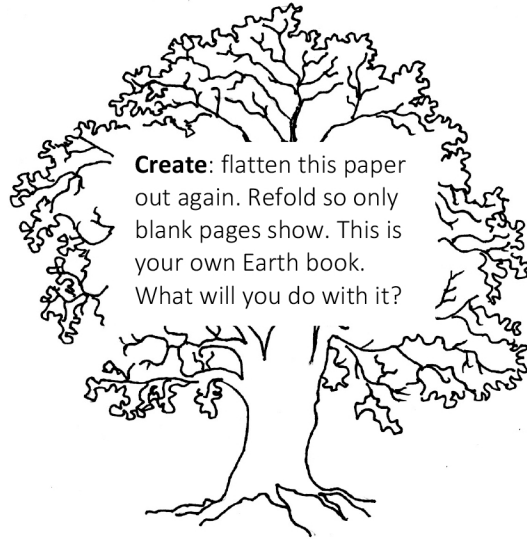
“You are our ship through light and darkness.”

a new gift

“We can't wait to open.”



Find: make a collection of natural objects. Feel their textures. Imagine how they were made. Make patterns with them.



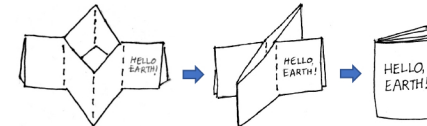
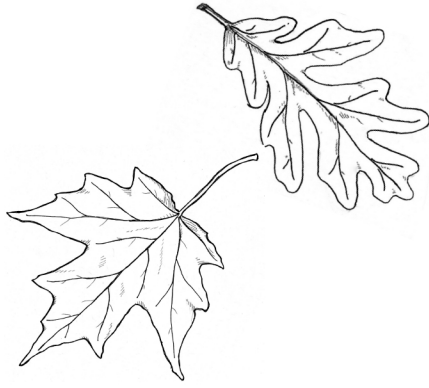
Create: flatten this paper out again. Refold so only blank pages show. This is your own Earth book. What will you do with it?

“We love you, Earth.”

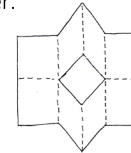
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“Each morning feels fresh:

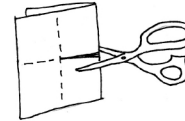
Go outside: what colors do you find? Gather your favorites in your head. Draw or paint them, or explain in words how they make you feel.



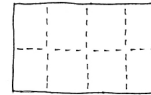
4. Fold in half again. Squish together and fold into a book!



3. Open the paper.



2. Fold the paper in half, then cut the marked line with scissors.

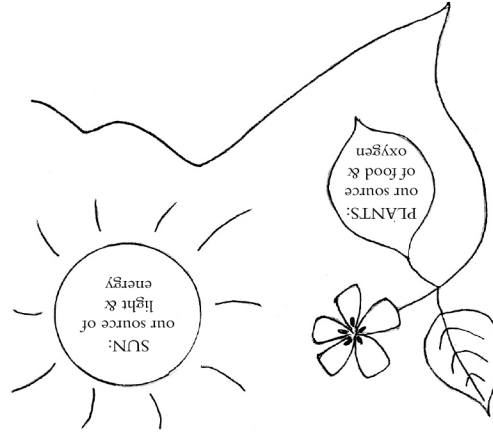


1. Fold a piece of paper into 8 equal parts.

How to make an 8-page mini-book:

warm

all your beautiful places?”



Think: where are your beautiful places? Describe them in words or pictures, using a fresh sheet of paper.

HELLO, EARTH!



An interactive mini-book to accompany *Hello, Earth! Poems to Our Planet* by Joyce Sidman, illus. by Miren Asiain Lora ©2021/2016 | Eerdmans Books

“What is it like to spin and feel the sun

Close your eyes: put your hand over your heart and feel its steady beat. Imagine you are the ocean, breathing in and out with your waves. Or a rock, catching raindrops on your face. Or the sky, alive with birds.

