



Be an illustrator!

Your art project is based on the wonderful world of book illustration. Explore books that you have at home, or look at examples online.

1) Find out about famous book illustrators (Axel Scheffler, Tony Ross, Pauline Baynes, Quentin Blake, Beatrix Potter, E.H.Shepherd, Nick Sharratt, Arthur Rackham, Chris Riddell, Eric Carle...)

- What have they illustrated?
- How would you describe their style and what do you like or admire about it? (Is it realistic, humorous, cartoon style, sketchy, stylised, fantastical...?)
- What materials or media do they use? (Is it digital, collage, drawn, painted, stitched...?)
- Choose two illustrators to compare, preferably choosing two who have very different styles.
- Write a profile of an illustrator, including examples of their work - you could try copying some.

2) Create some pieces of art in the style of one or more of your favourite illustrators.

- Copy an illustration they did, or a detail from one - what is easy or hard about their style?
- Draw an illustration for a favourite scene from a book in their style.
- Choose an illustration by one artist, and recreate it in the style of another!
- Make a diorama of a favourite scene in a book.

Check out The Craft Fox resource on our class page for some examples of great book illustrators too 😊