

# Art Project 1

## Flying Coloring Book



### Materials

- “The Story of Flying” by Deni Naffziger located at [www.woub.org/passionworks/story](http://www.woub.org/passionworks/story)
- markers, crayons, colored pencils
- paper
- paint
- photo copy machine
- scissors
- wood or foam core
- T-pins
- fishing line

### Directions

1. Read aloud “The Story of Flying.” Ask your students to close their eyes and see the words. Read with enthusiasm and slowly enough for everyone to imagine the scene.



Now ask everyone to draw what they saw. If some have trouble, start by asking, “What did Gabriel or his house look like?” “What did his sister look like singing by the river?” “What about the night animals, the sky, the moon, Gabriel and Sophie flying over their house as ‘their parents slept like fish in a shimmering sea’.”

2. Give enough time for the students to finish their drawings and a little bit more. Push them to go beyond their first ideas.



They can draw things that are not obvious in the story but pop up in their own imaginations. Encourage the unexpected.

3. Now, ask what the students saw when they heard the words and ask what they drew. Everyone heard the same words and everyone will have a different drawing.



**THIS IS GREAT!**

There is no one answer, we are all different, and we each have different experiences that lead us to different thoughts and interpretations. Collect these drawings and create a coloring book of “The Story of Flying.”

4. Copy the images, paste onto paper, add text and then “publish” it on your copying machine. You can also enlarge the drawings on the copying machine by 400 percent, paint them, mount on wood or foam core and cut them out. These cut outs can then be free standing or hung from the ceiling.

**TIP:** To enlarge a drawing, you can photocopy it at 200 percent, and then copy the copy at 200 percent. You can do this over and over and then “puzzle piece” the image together to make it huge.