

# Draw an African Mask - Grades 5-12



This drawing teaches students how to draw an African Mask using curved lines. This easy to draw mask can be the basis for lots of multicultural populations, as well as abstract portraits. Just fill in the areas with patterns instead of solid colors and you have a completely different look.

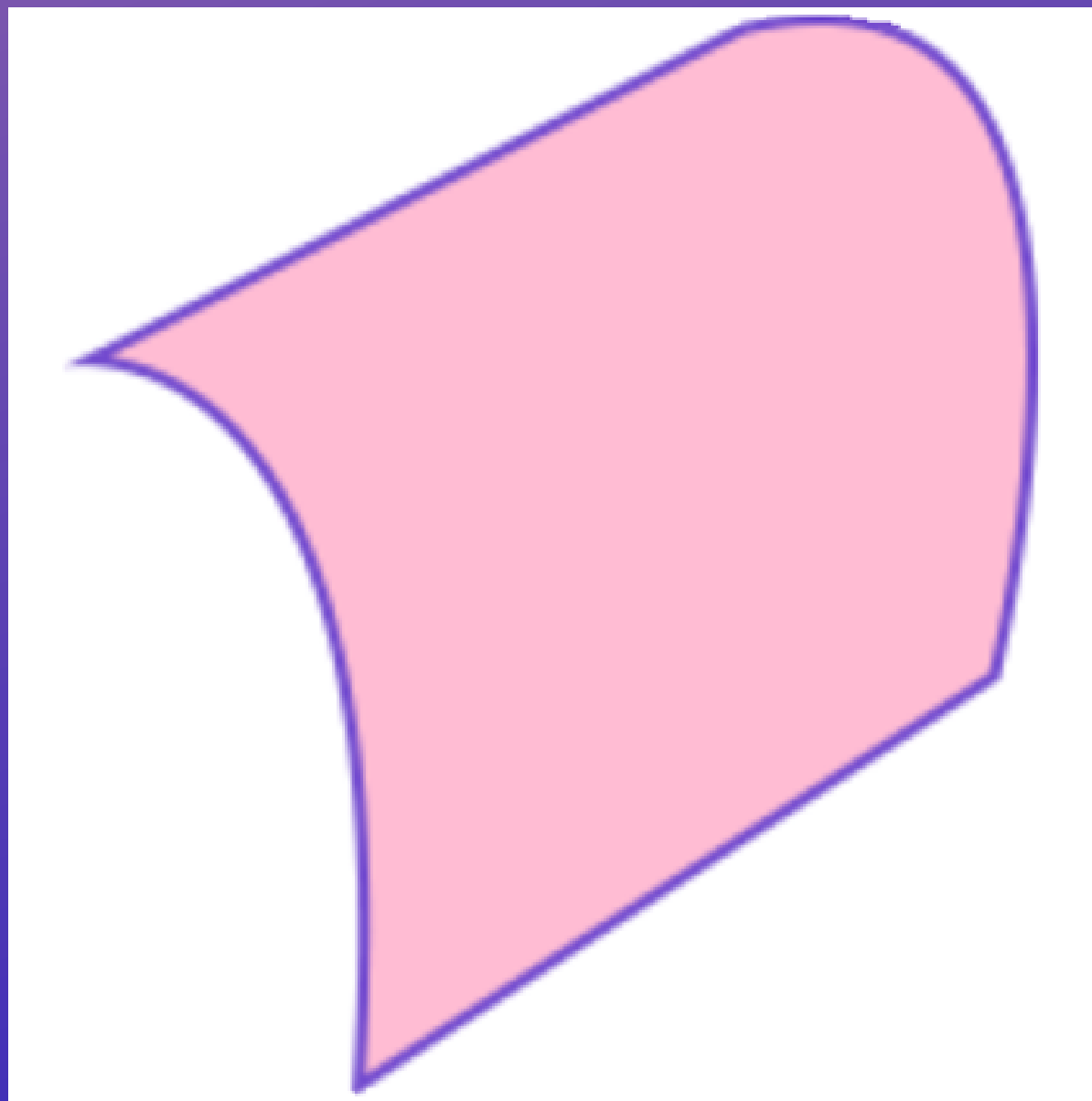
Lightly draw vertical and horizontal guidelines as this will help students locate the forms easier. Students begin with pencil then progress to color.

Materials: Paper, Pencils, Crayons, Watercolor, and Pastels

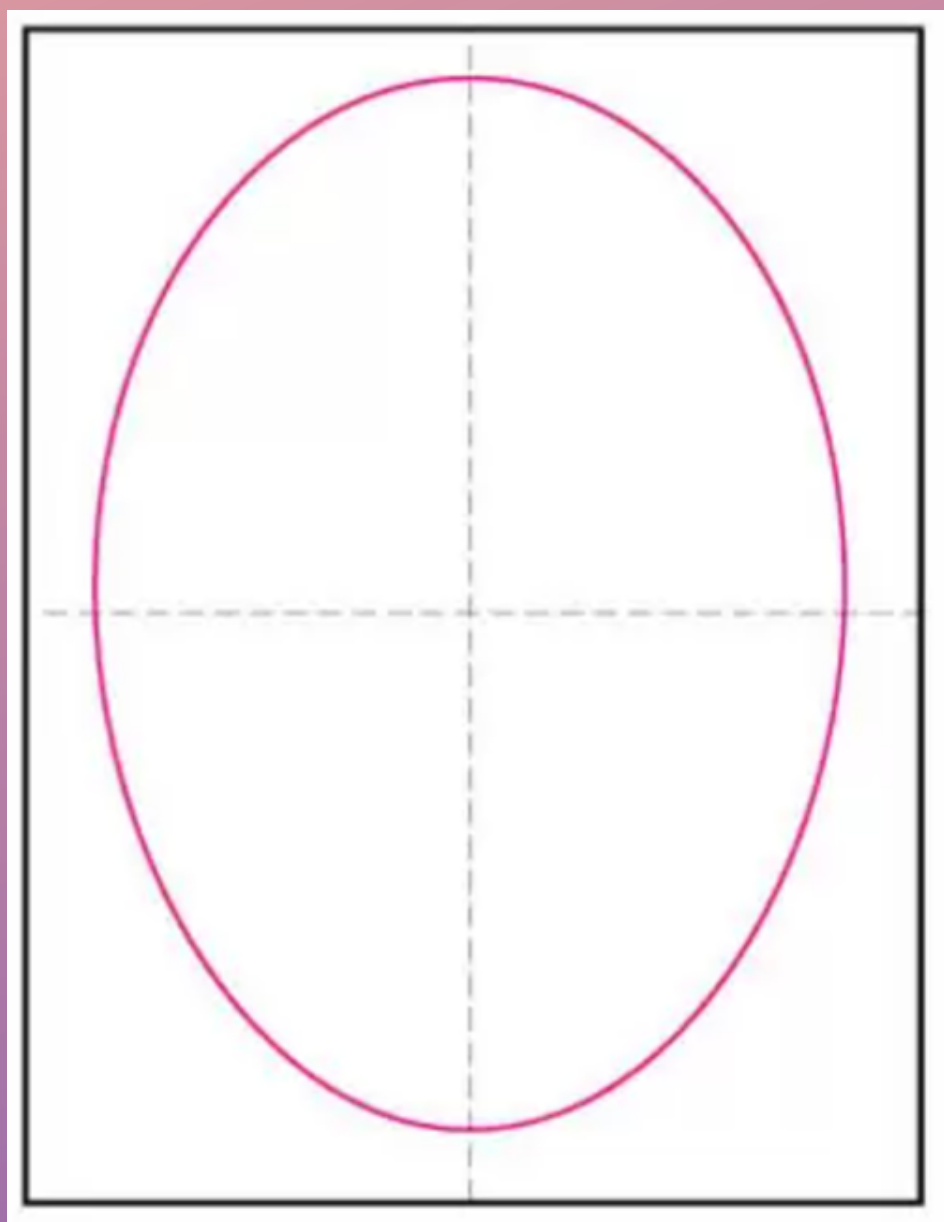
Let's use a little geometry to draw an African Mask, step by step.

We will start with learning about the curve. What is a curve?

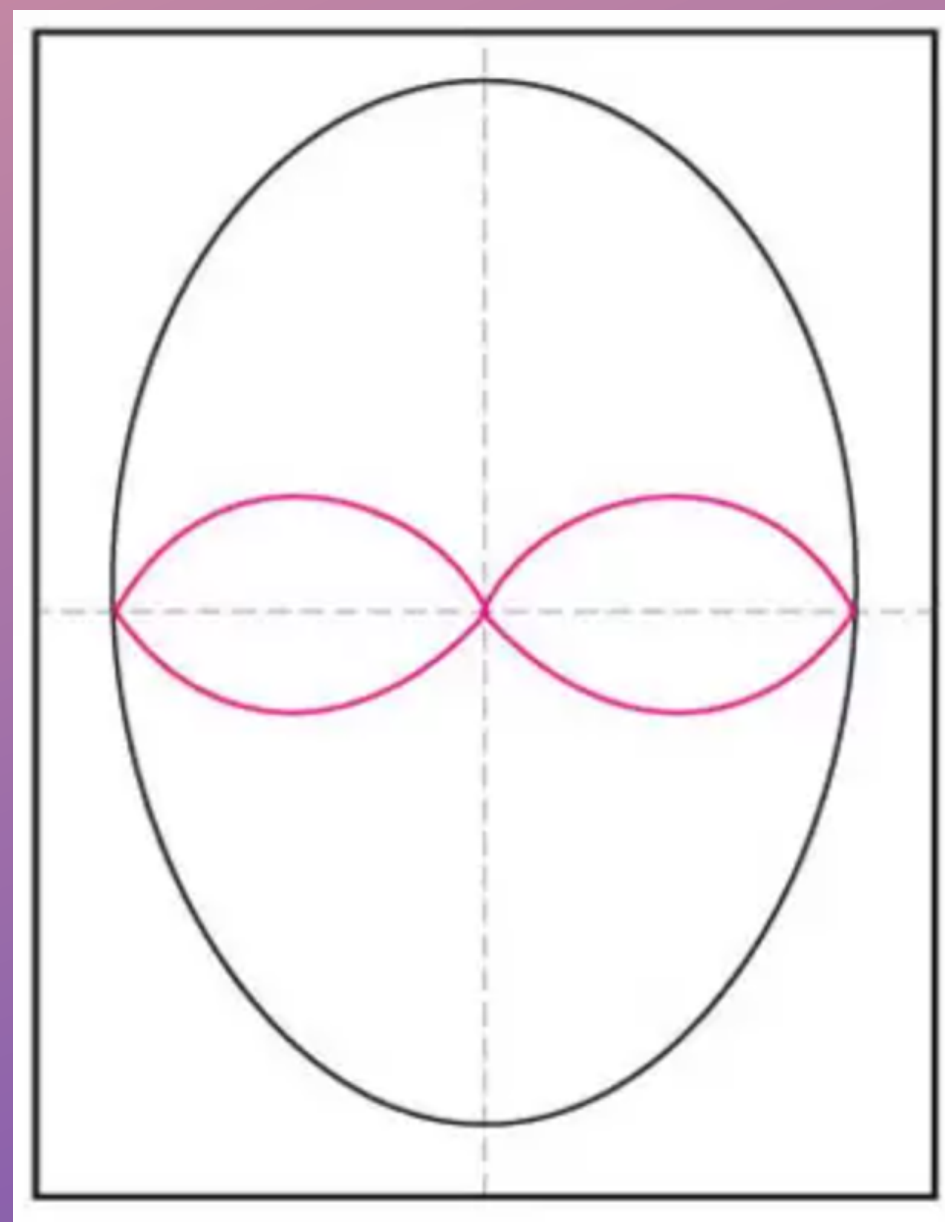
The curve is a rounded line or surface which is not flat



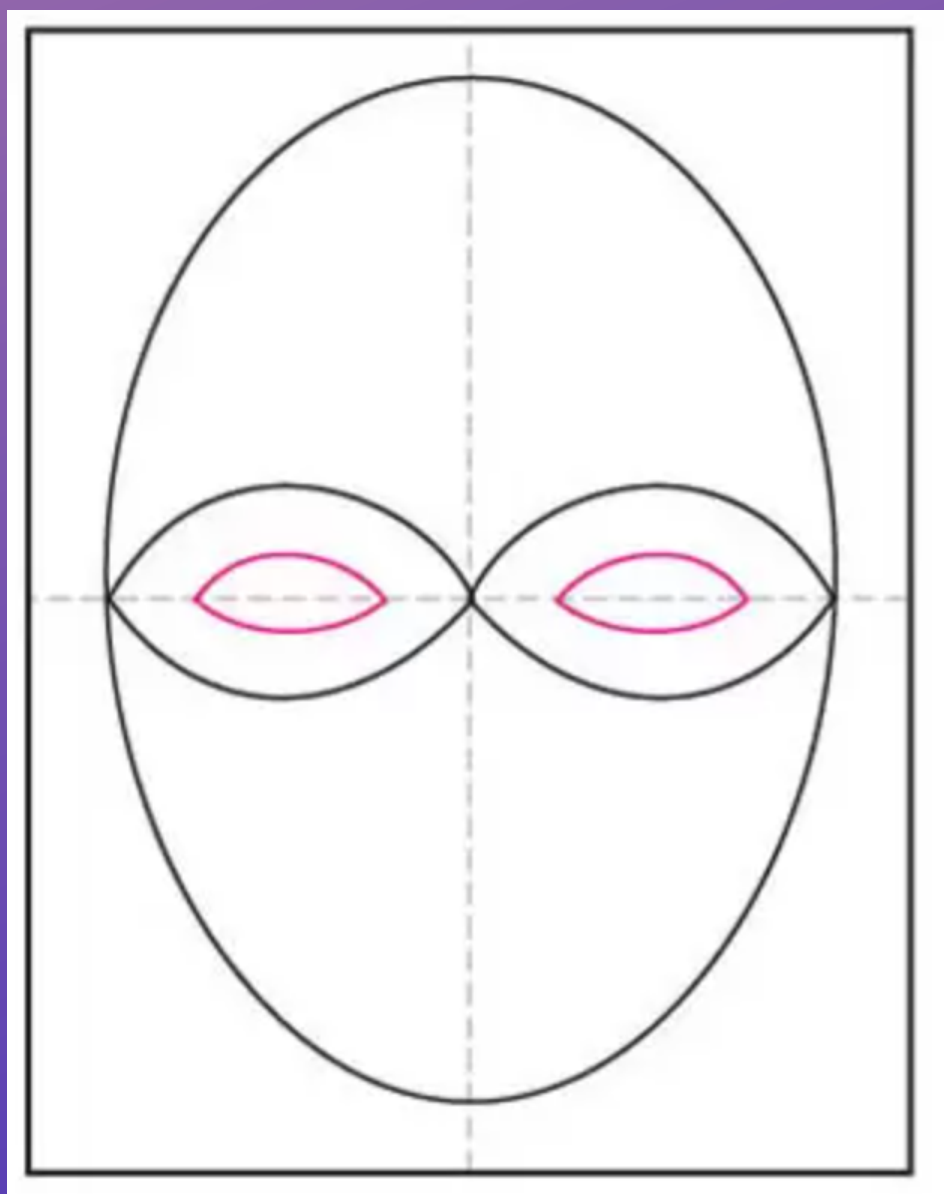
1. Make guidelines. Draw an oval.



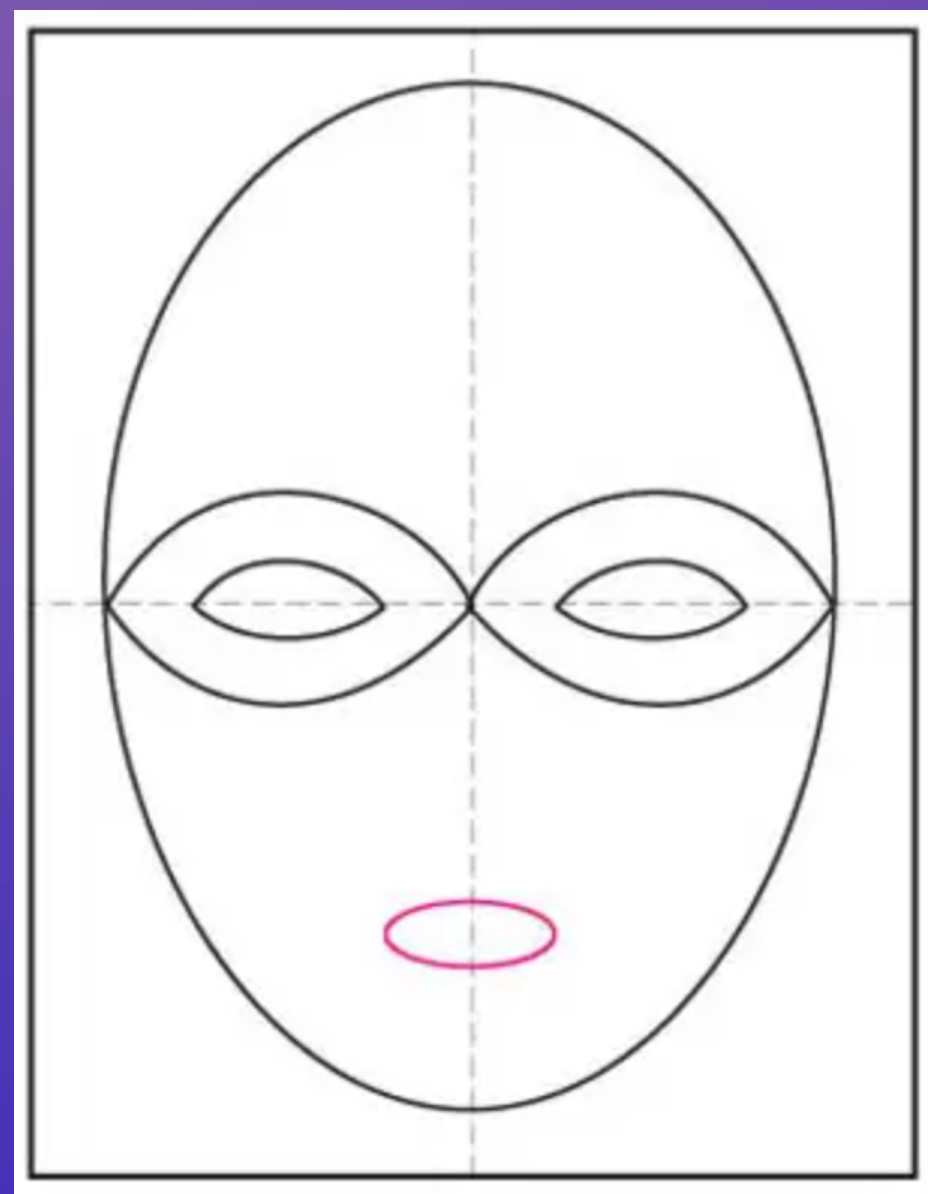
2. Draw two large touching eye shapes.



3. Draw two eyes inside.

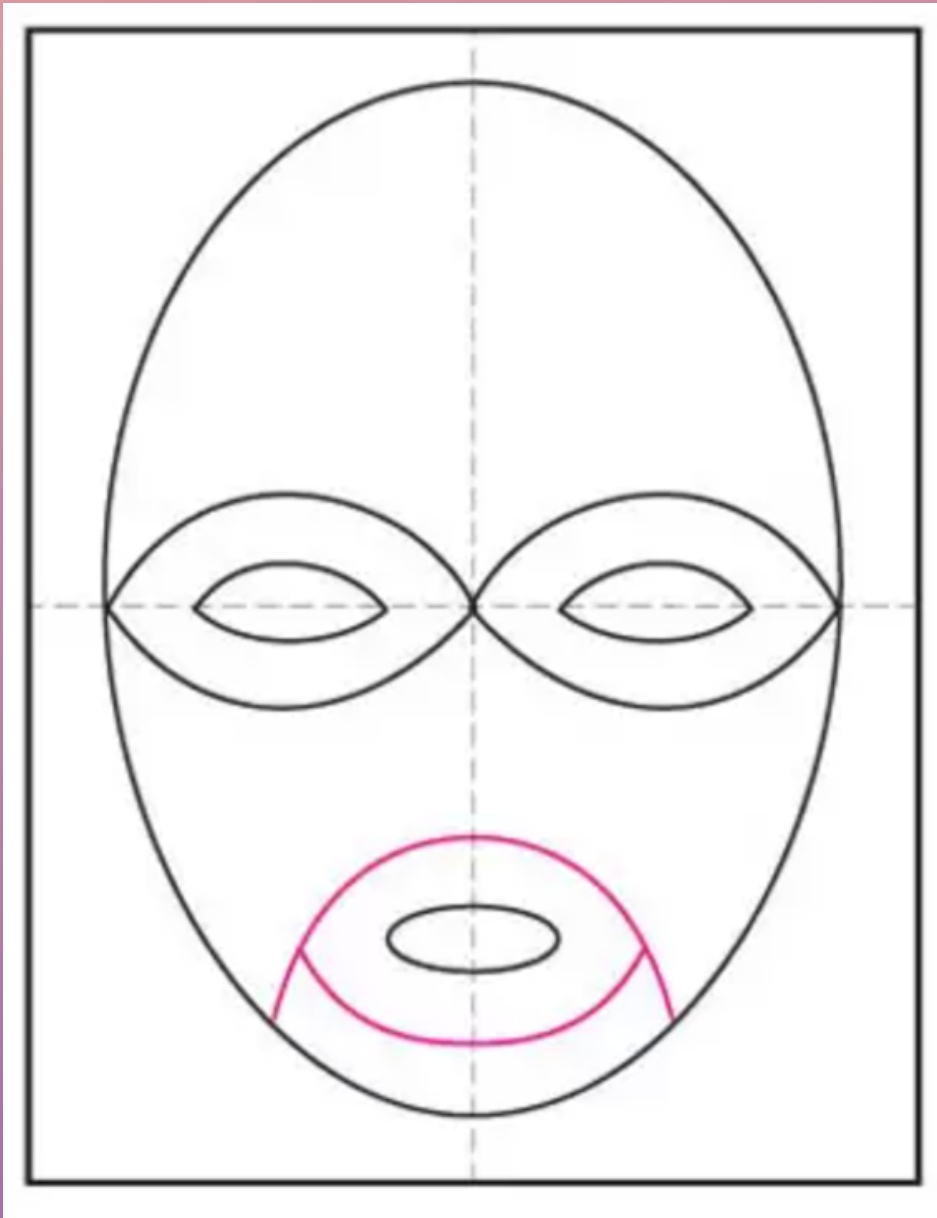


4. Draw an oval mouth.

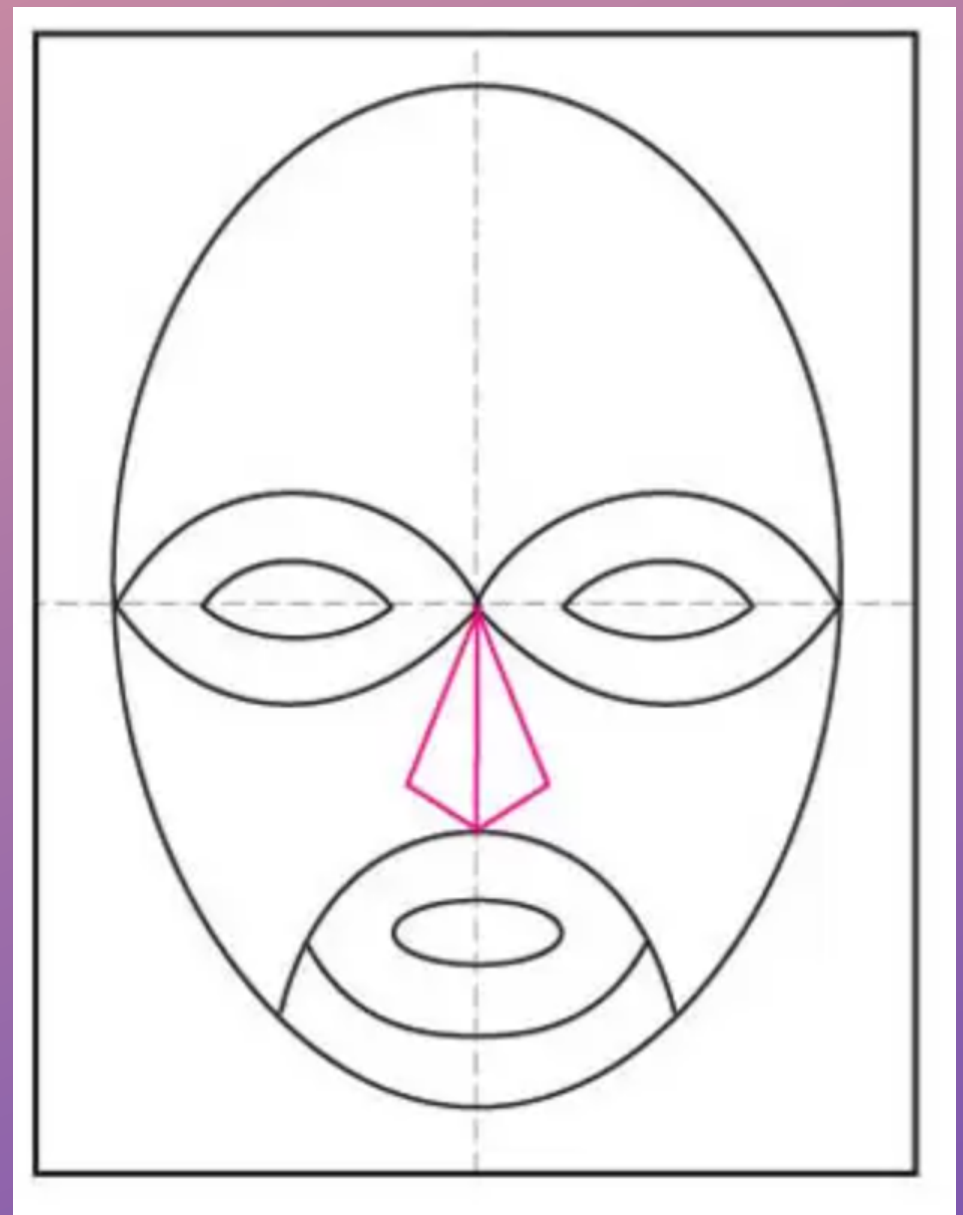




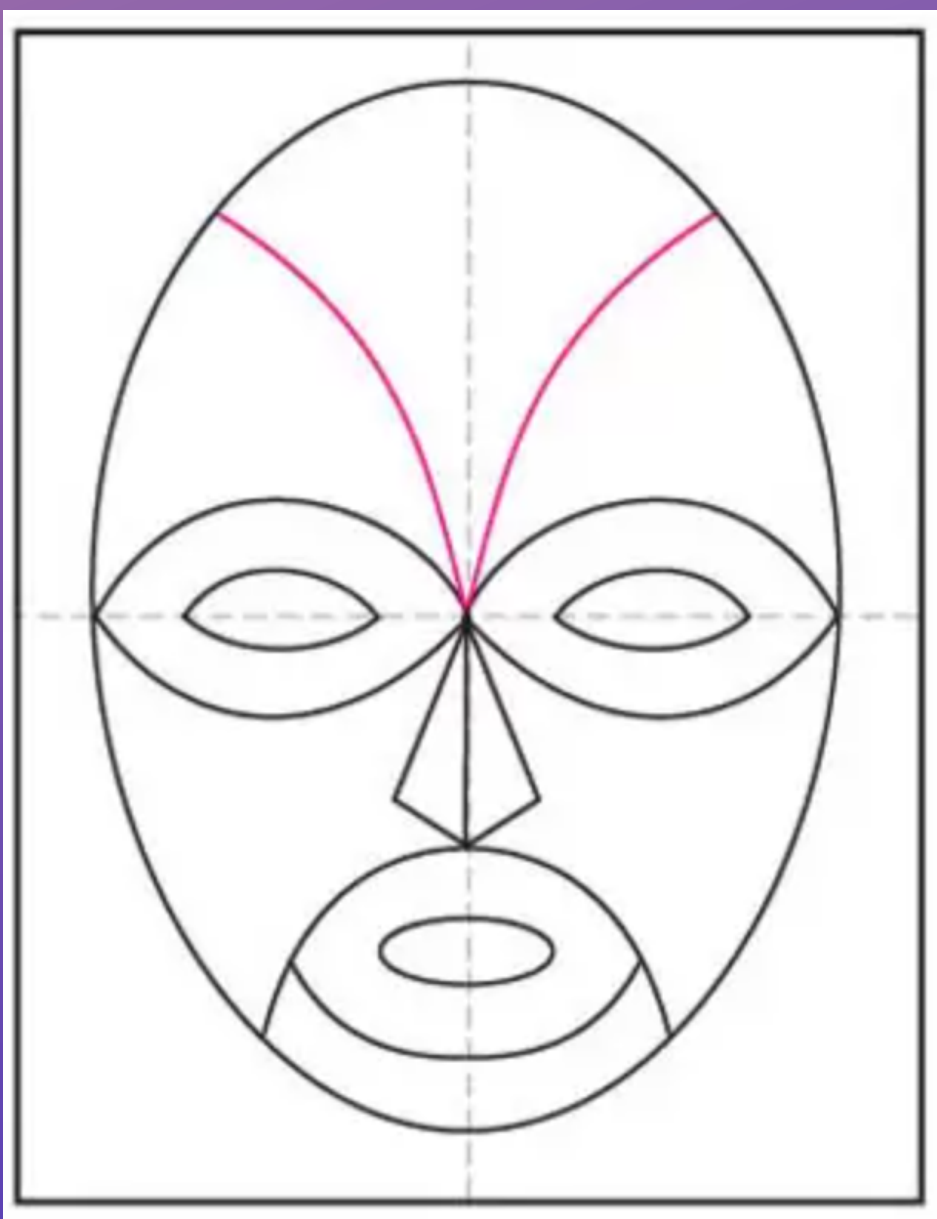
5. Add lines around the mouth.



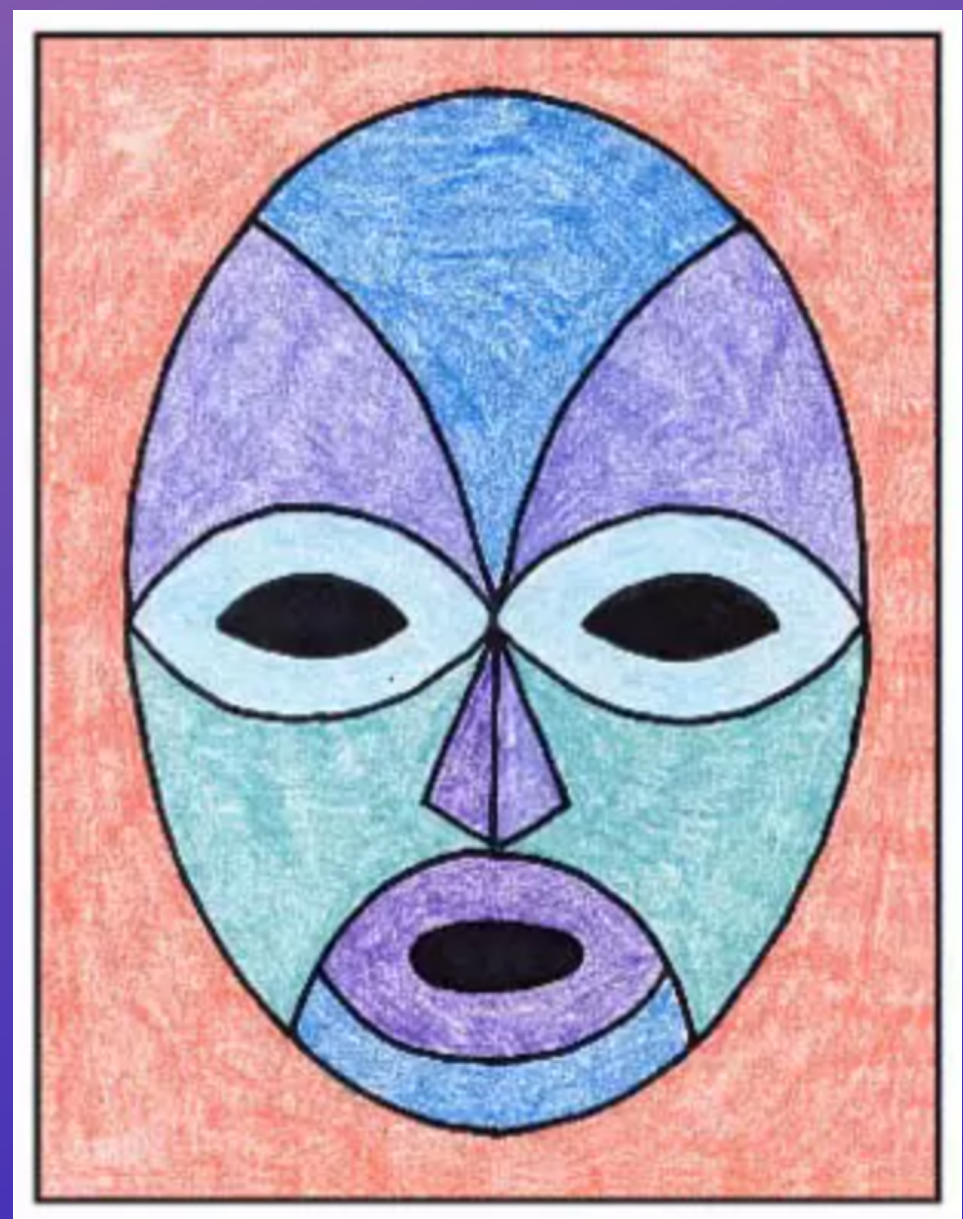
6. Add a nose.



7. Add two curved forehead lines.



8. Trace with black marker and color.





9. Color the corners more to darken them.

