

LESSON IDEA

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# Lesson ideas

Use these Lesson Ideas to spark your imagination for using Procreate in the classroom. Feel free to take them further and make them your own.

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In this lesson students illustrate a self-portrait and reflect on the things that make up their identity. They then collaborate with their classmates to find common ground.

All you need is an iPad and the following apps:



Procreate



Camera

## Educational Value

- ✓ Students engage in the process of Social Emotional Learning to recognize and understand their own feelings and strengths.
- ✓ Students will take the perspective of others, and appreciate and interact positively with diverse groups.
- ✓ Students will understand the flexibility of layers in digital art, and use digital technologies to practice artistic collaboration.



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# Create a self-portrait

## Take a photo

Using the *Camera* app, take a selfie or ask a friend to take a photo of you.

If you already have a photo of yourself that you're happy with in your *Photos* app, you can use this too.

1.



Camera



## Import to Procreate

Bring the photo you just took into Procreate to be the basis of your self-portrait.

- 1 In the Gallery, tap + to create a new screen sized canvas.
- 2 Tap the wrench icon to open the *Actions* menu.
- 3 Tap *Add*.
- 4 Select *Insert a Photo*.



## Lower the opacity

Lower the opacity on your image so it's fainter, and easier to trace over.

- 1 Tap the two squares in the top right to open the *Layers Panel*.
- 2 Tap the *N* on your photo layer.
- 3 Drag the slider down to 45%
- 4 Tap the + to create a new layer above your image.



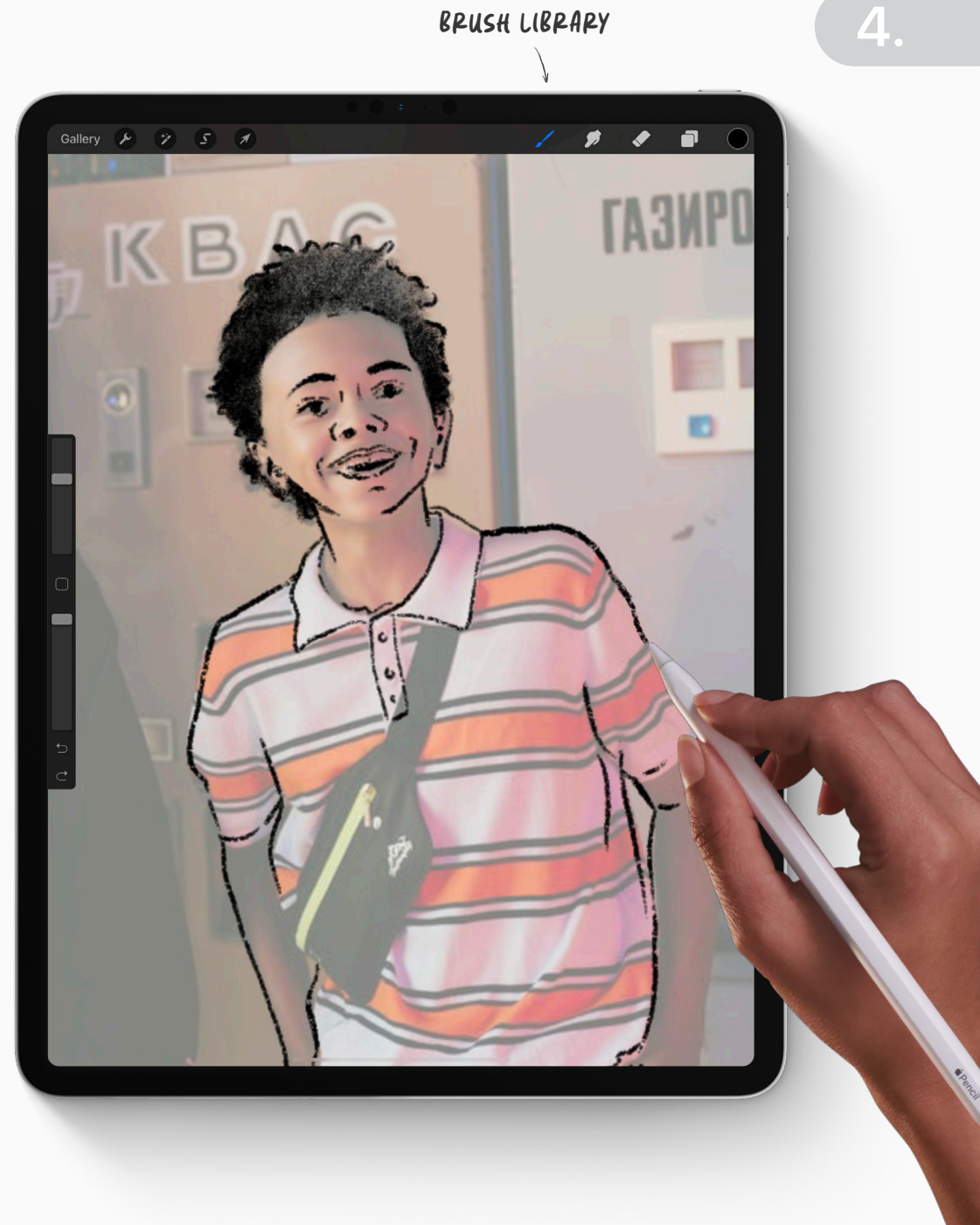
## Trace your face

Tap the brush icon to select a brush from the *Brush Library*.

Trace your portrait onto the new layer you just created.

### THOUGHTS ON TRACING:

- \* Tracing is a great way to learn drawing basics. It can help you learn to draw from reference, and then from memory – with practice!
- \* Take note of the shapes that you draw as you trace your face and body. How would these shapes and lines differ to how you would have drawn your portrait if you weren't tracing your portrait and were drawing freehand?

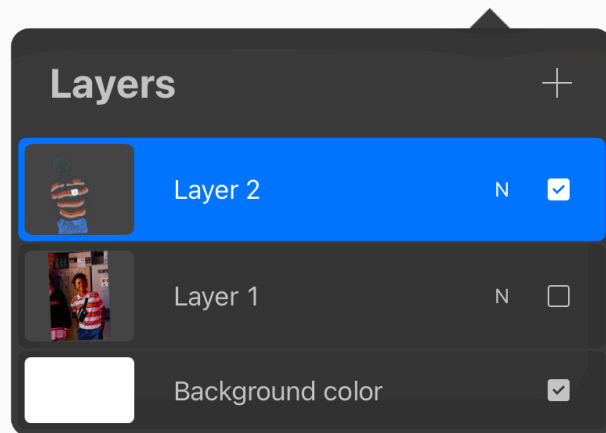




## Add color and detail

Tap the two squares to open the *Layers Panel*, and tap the *Visibility Checkbox* next to your photo to hide your image reference layer.

Then, on your drawing layer, experiment with adding color and detail that communicates your personality.



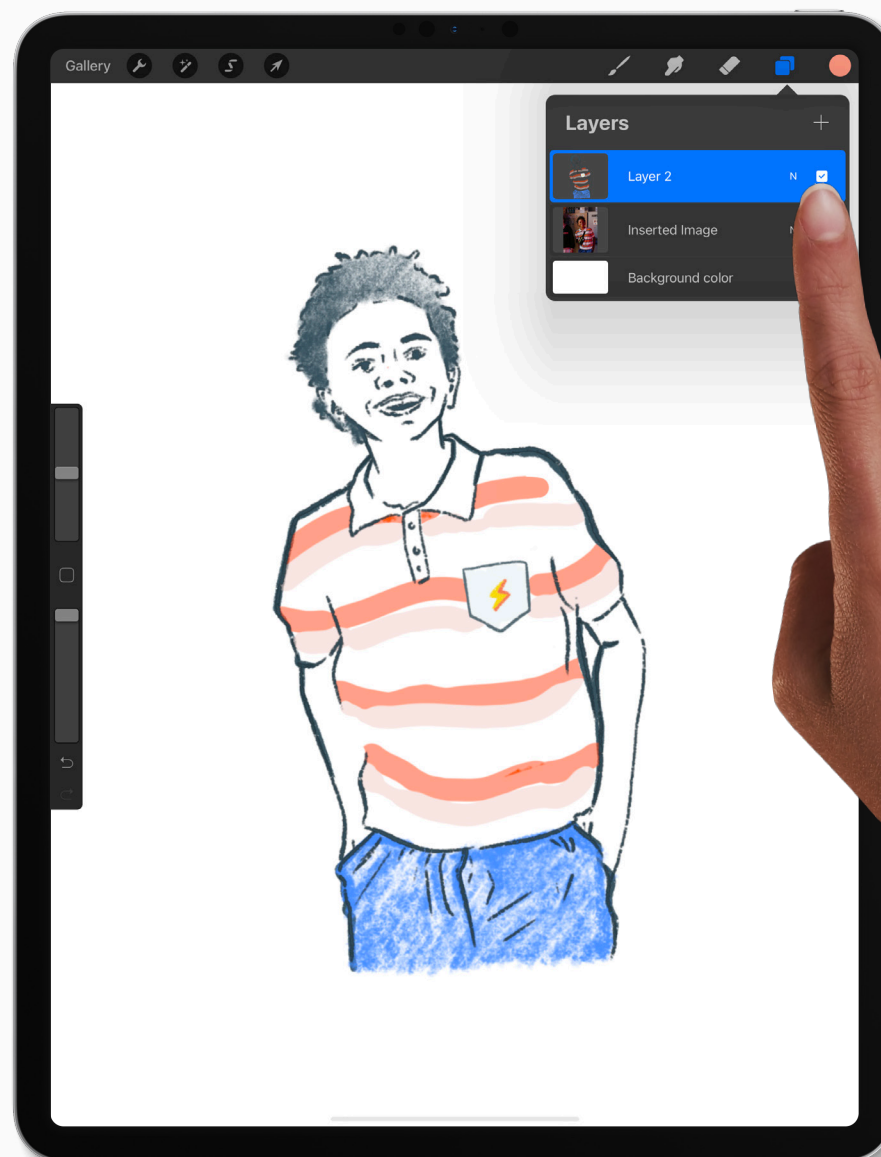
VISIBILITY  
CHECKBOX

LAYERS PANEL



## Done!

Now your self-portrait is complete, hide this layer with the *Visibility Checkbox*, and we'll turn it back on when we need to use it later.



# What makes up your identity?

Spend some time thinking about what makes you, you.

- ✧ What do you like to be called?
- ✧ What do you like?
- ✧ What do you believe?
- ✧ Where do you come from?
- ✧ What are you good at?

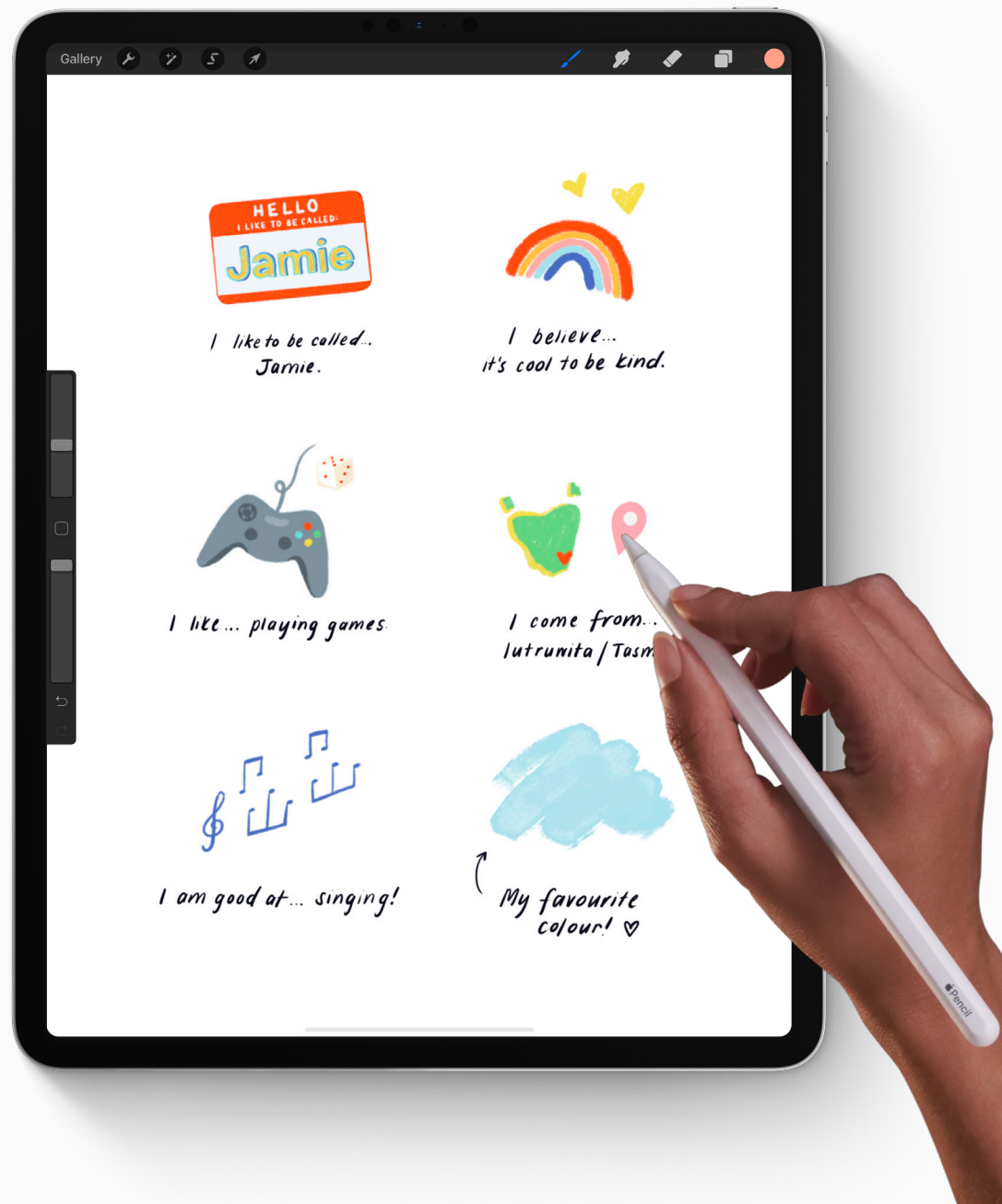


## Design emblems

Draw a series of icons that represent the different parts of your identity that you previously brainstormed.

### DRAWING TIP:

Make sure you draw each of these on their own layer, this will make the next step easier. Tap the + icon in the *Layers Panel* to create a new layer for each illustration.

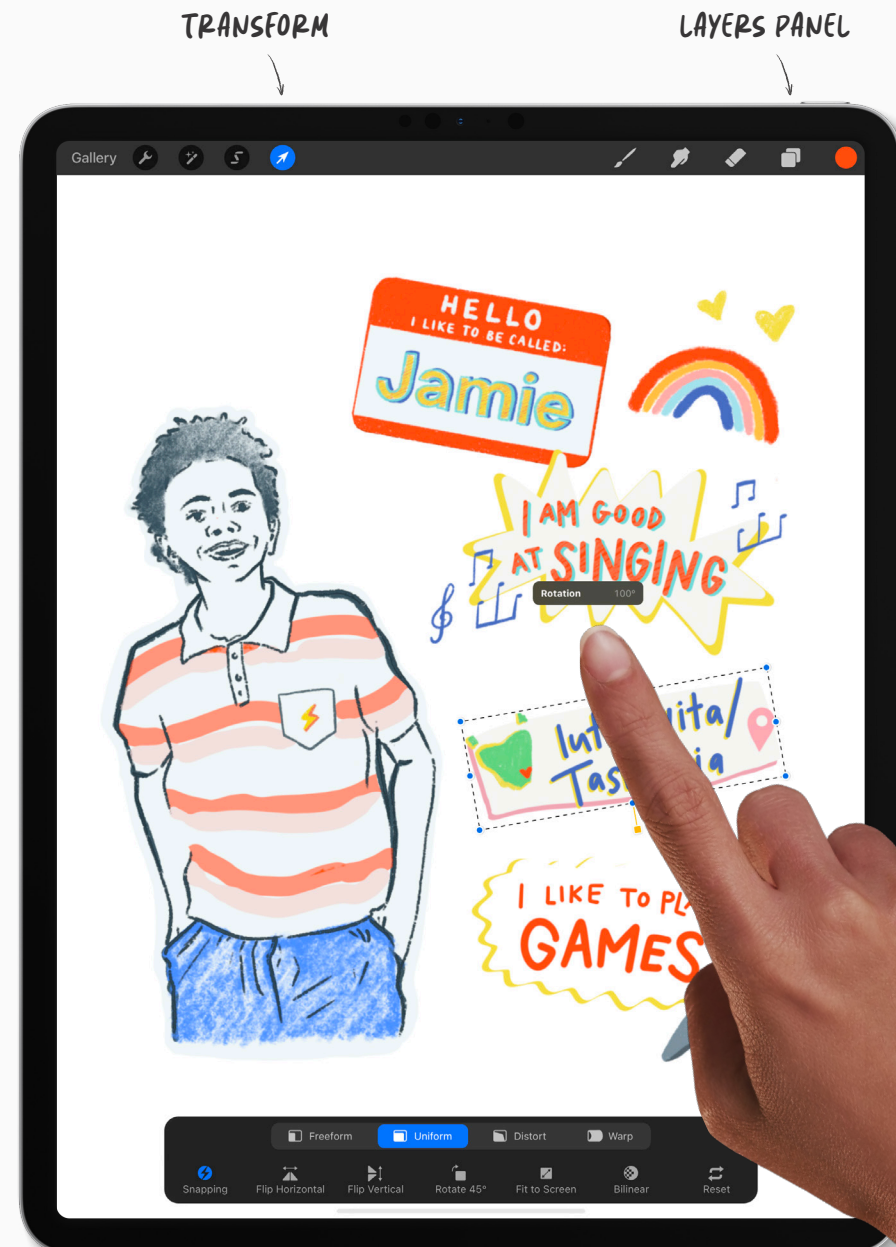


# Create a poster

## Combine your elements

Use the *Visibility Checkbox* in the *Layers Panel* to turn on all the layers.

Use the *Transform* tool and painting tools to combine your self-portrait and identity emblems into a poster that tells the story of who you are.



## Drawing tips

Think of a few words that you'd use to describe your personality. For example, people might describe you as:

- \* Outgoing
- \* Energetic
- \* Peaceful
- \* Thoughtful

How might you use color, shape and contrast to communicate your personality traits?





## **You are wonderful.**

No two posters in your class are going to look the same, just as no two people are the same.

You are wonderful and important, just as you are.



# Take it further

## Airdrop to a friend

Once you've created your identity portrait, Airdrop your .procreate file to a classmate's iPad so you can both create a collaborative artwork together.

- 1 Tap the wrench icon to open *Actions*
- 2 Select *Procreate*.
- 3 Tap *Airdrop* from the Share Sheet options.
- 4 Select your classmate's device to send.



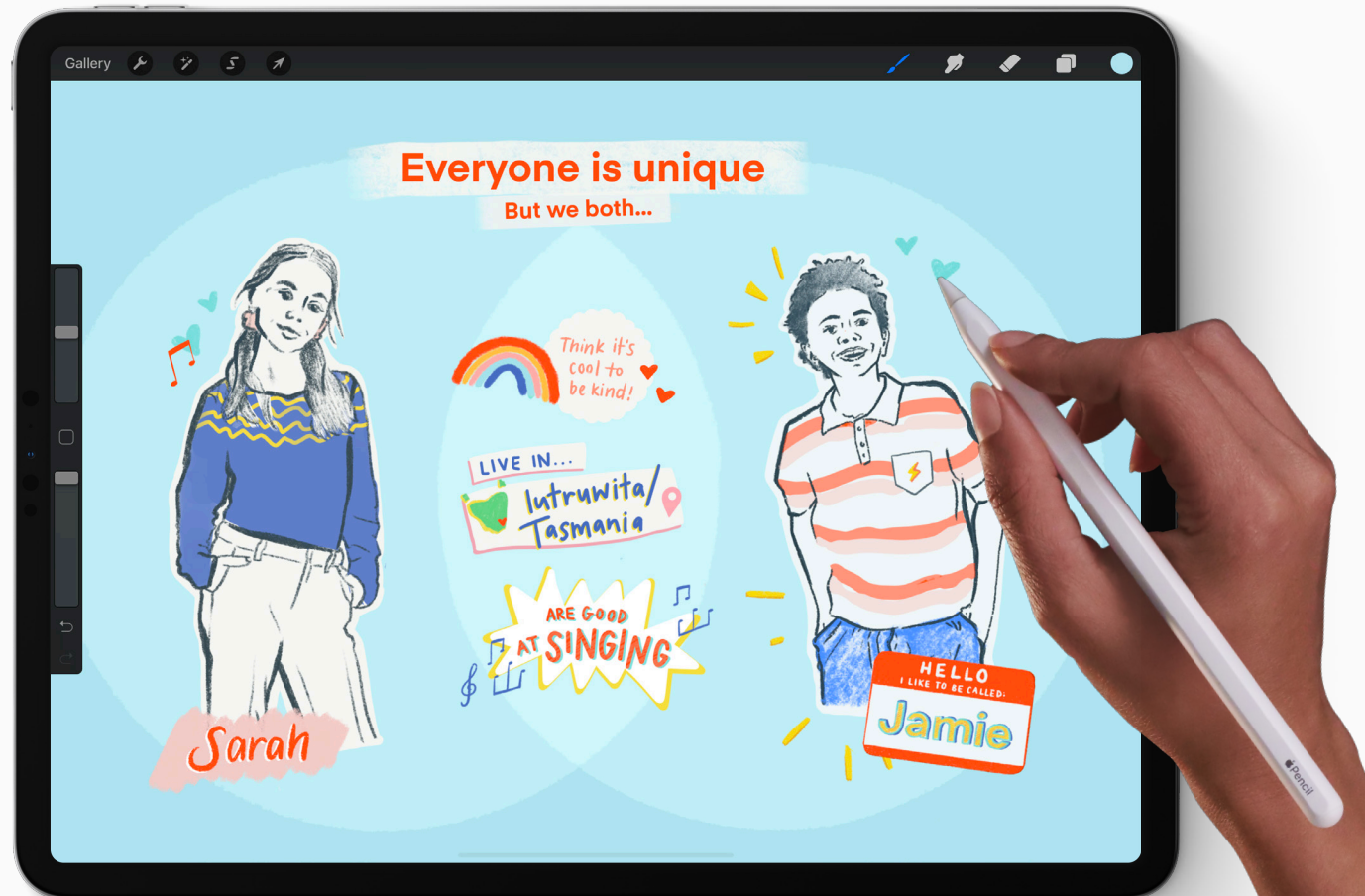
## Common ground

Everyone is different, but we all also have things in common.

What are the things you have in common with your classmate?

### HINT

Swipe down with three fingers to *Copy and Paste* layers between your document and your friend's.





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