

# Fall Perspective Drawing

Difficulty: Moderate

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#### **Objective:**

Creating ways to explore Autumn while learning about Perspective Drawing {giving a three-dimensional feeling to a flat image}

## Materials Provided:

- White mixed media paper: 8x11
- Construction Paper
- Oil Pastels: Red, Orange, Yellow, Brown
- Watercolor: Blue
- Large Paint Brush

## Materials Needed:

- Something to protect your table (Art Tray, Newspaper, etc)
- Scratch Paper
- Brown Permanent Marker (or use pencil and Brown washable marker)

## Literature: There Was an Old Woman Who Swallowed Some Leaves





## Step 1:

Close your eyes. Imagine you're lying down outside in the brisk air with the sun shining down on you. Above you are beautiful Autumn trees with their warm colored leaves. Maybe some are even falling down on you as the breeze blows.

What do you see? How does it make you feel? Now, let's create that scene. Photo Credit: Beth Sidell – <u>Beth's Photography and Design</u>

### Step 2:

Arrange the mixed media paper in Portrait layout. Decide where you want your tree leaves to be and place something over that space (a cup, small bowl, a round cut out piece from your Scratch Paper). This will be your Perspective Point

Using a Permanent Brown Marker (or you can use pencil for now), begin on the edge of the paper and draw your tree trunks toward your Perspective Point.

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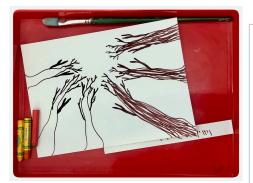
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### Step 3:

Remove the item and finish drawing the tops of your trees; they will meet in a point. Now begin to draw your branches extending and pointing towards your Perspective Point. A great way to draw branches are to draw **Y**'s. No need to make them straight; think of what you see in nature.

Branches closer to the ground (edge of paper) will appear thicker and get thinner as they reach to the sky.



## Step 4:

Using your scratch piece of paper, place it underneath to keep table or tray clean. With your Permanent Marker, draw up and down the trees, creating your textured tree trunks. If you don't have a Permanent Marker, go on the Step 5 and use more of the Brown Oil Pastels to create the tree trunks.



## Step 5:

Use your Yellow and Brown Oil Pastels and color in the tree trunks. With a larger paint brush, paint blue liquid watercolor over the entire paper. No need to over paint; it will need to dry before next steps.

Allow your paper to dry. If you used a pencil to create your tree, now you can go back over it with a washable marker to darker the branches and add texture to your tree truck.



### Step 6:

Once your paper is dry, use the Red, Orange, and Yellow oil pastels and make swooshes (twisting as you push down) around the branches and inside of your perspective point. You can add leaves falling (remember in step 1 how we imagined our image).

Once you're finished with your creation, you can glue it onto the Construction paper and it's ready to be hung on display.

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