

# Art Activity #5

## Copy A Master



*When we copy a master artist we see as they saw and mark as they marked, then when can bring those lessons with us to our own art.*

**Activity:** Students will carefully reproduce drawings of a master artist. I suggest Leonardo DaVinci. First because I used to love copying his drawings, second because there is such a range of drawings to choose from, people, horses, animals... something for everyone.

### **Detailed steps to copy a master:**

**Step 1:** Pick a master drawing to copy.

**Step 2:** Look at the drawing and carefully draw the main lines the same as the master drew. Do not think in symbols like eye or ear, just watch how the lines curved and draw the same. Do not try to invent where things go just copy.

**Step 3:** Look at the shading, where the master shaded the darkest shade that in, then look for the next darkest, then lighter and finally leave the lightest areas.

**Step 4:** Try doing your own drawing in the manner of the master.