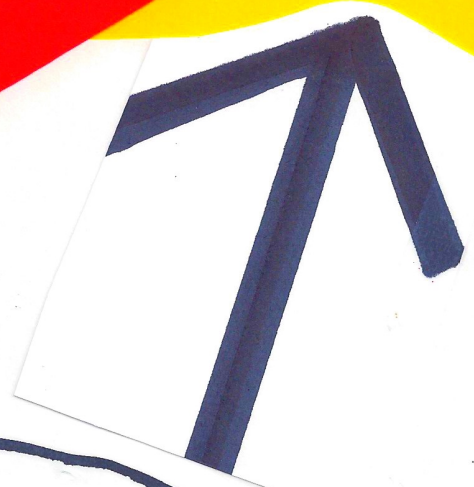
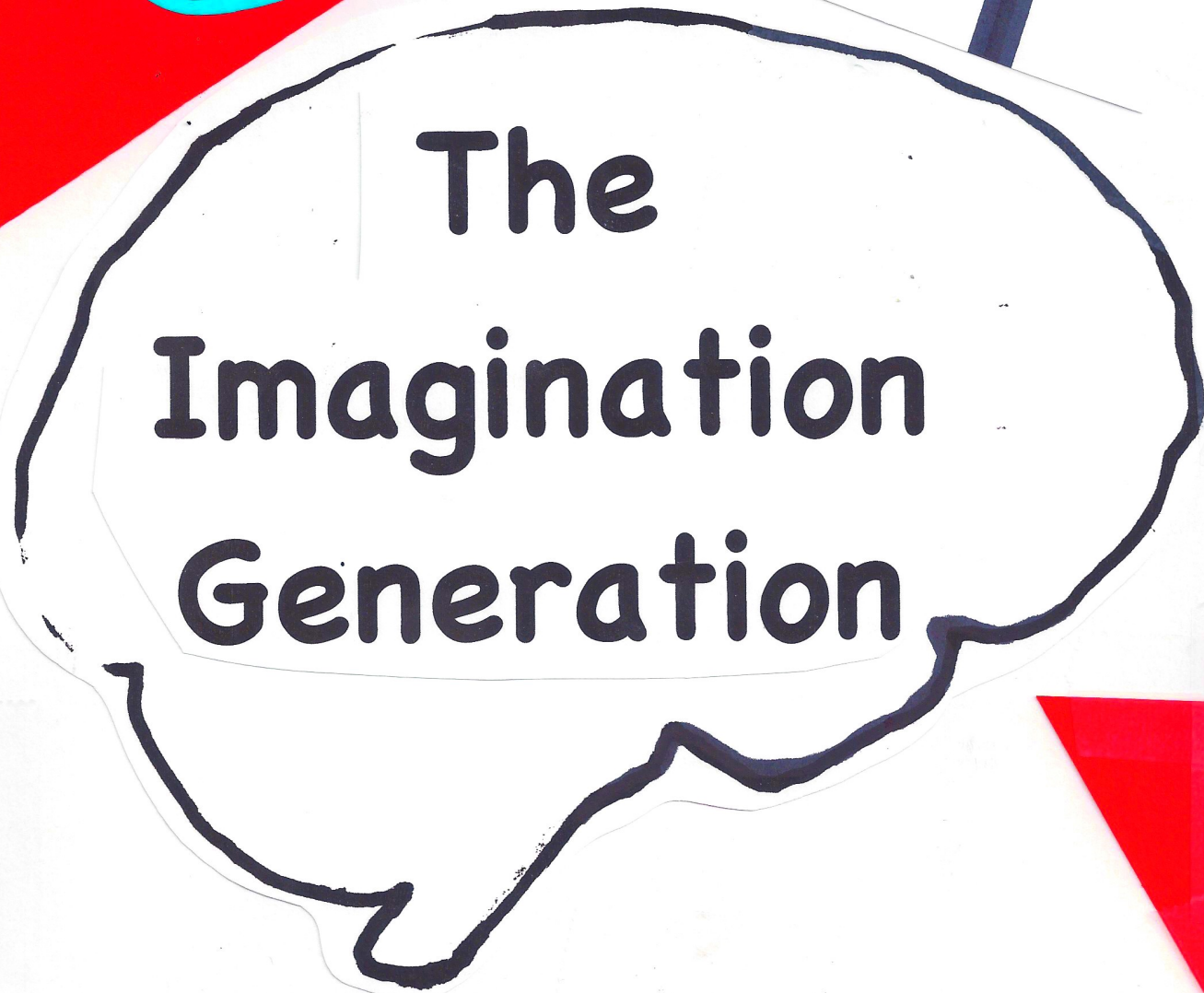


By
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*The Star Jumped
Over the Moon*



The Imagination Generation

Activity Zine

By
John Schlimm

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent, Teacher, Librarian, Group Leader, & Others:

Welcome to *The Imagination Generation Activity Zine!*

Kids today, born after 2012, are officially labeled "Generation Alpha." But I like to also celebrate them as The Imagination Generation.

Every human being is born with a limitless imagination. However, today's kids — newborn to age nine — have more tools and pathways for exploring, cultivating, and wholly realizing their imaginal potential — inside their still-developing brains — than any other generation before them. This moment in time is their jackpot-winning lottery ticket.

The following twelve activity pages are fun, creative, and inspiring tools that you can use with the child or children in your life — at home, in the classroom or library, for programs throughout the community, and more. These activities are meant to help spark, explore, process, and develop the imagination, creativity, curiosity, feelings, connection, participation, and what makes each of us unique and different. They can be used solo, collectively, and/or as supplemental materials.

I believe it's always important for us adults to remember: We are the superheroes today that The Imagination Generation is relying on to help raise them into the superheroes who will create tomorrow!

And, most importantly, have fun right alongside them!



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ACTIVITY

What is an imagination?

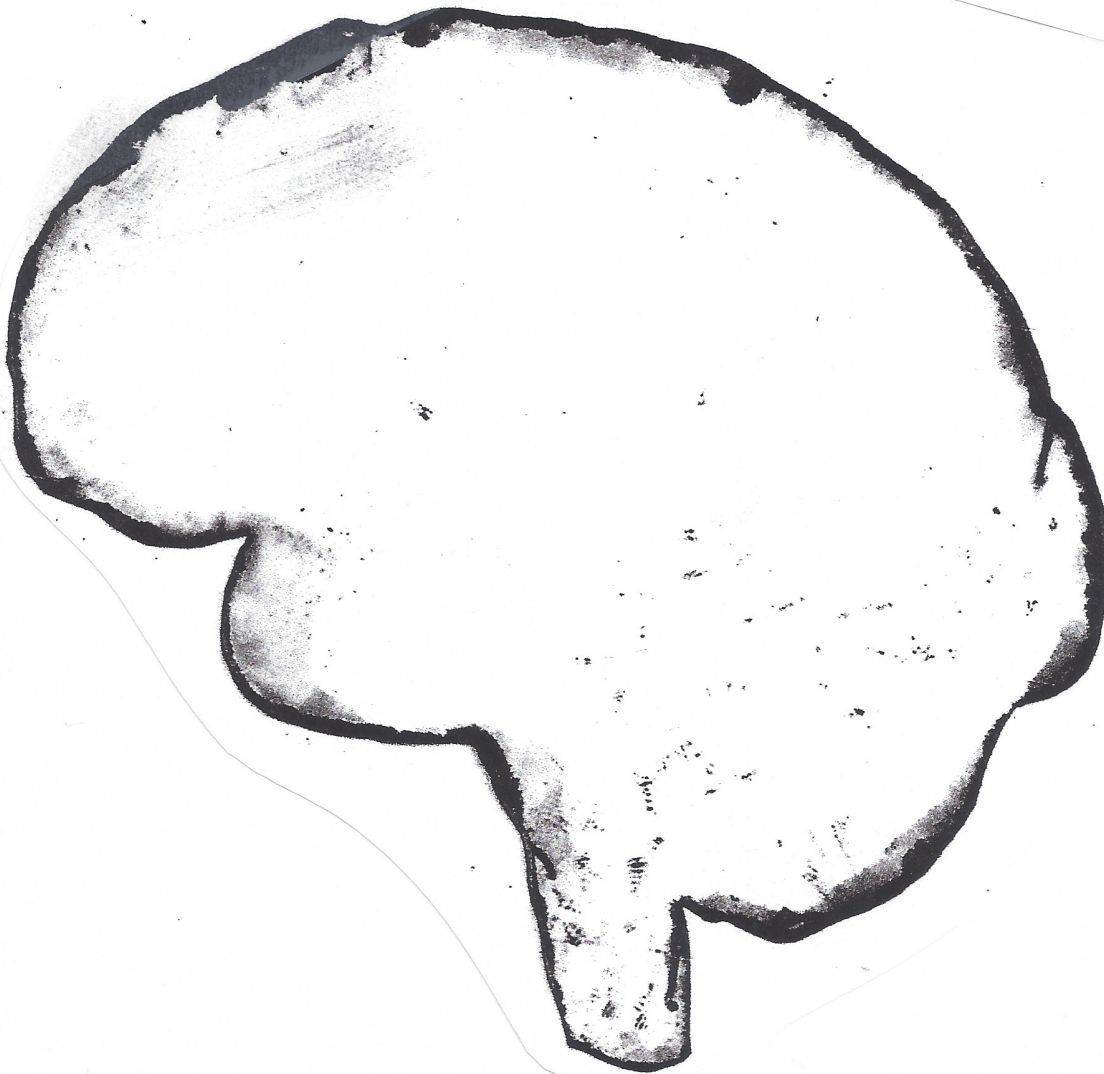


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In and around the brain,
draw what your imagination looks like.

ACTIVITY

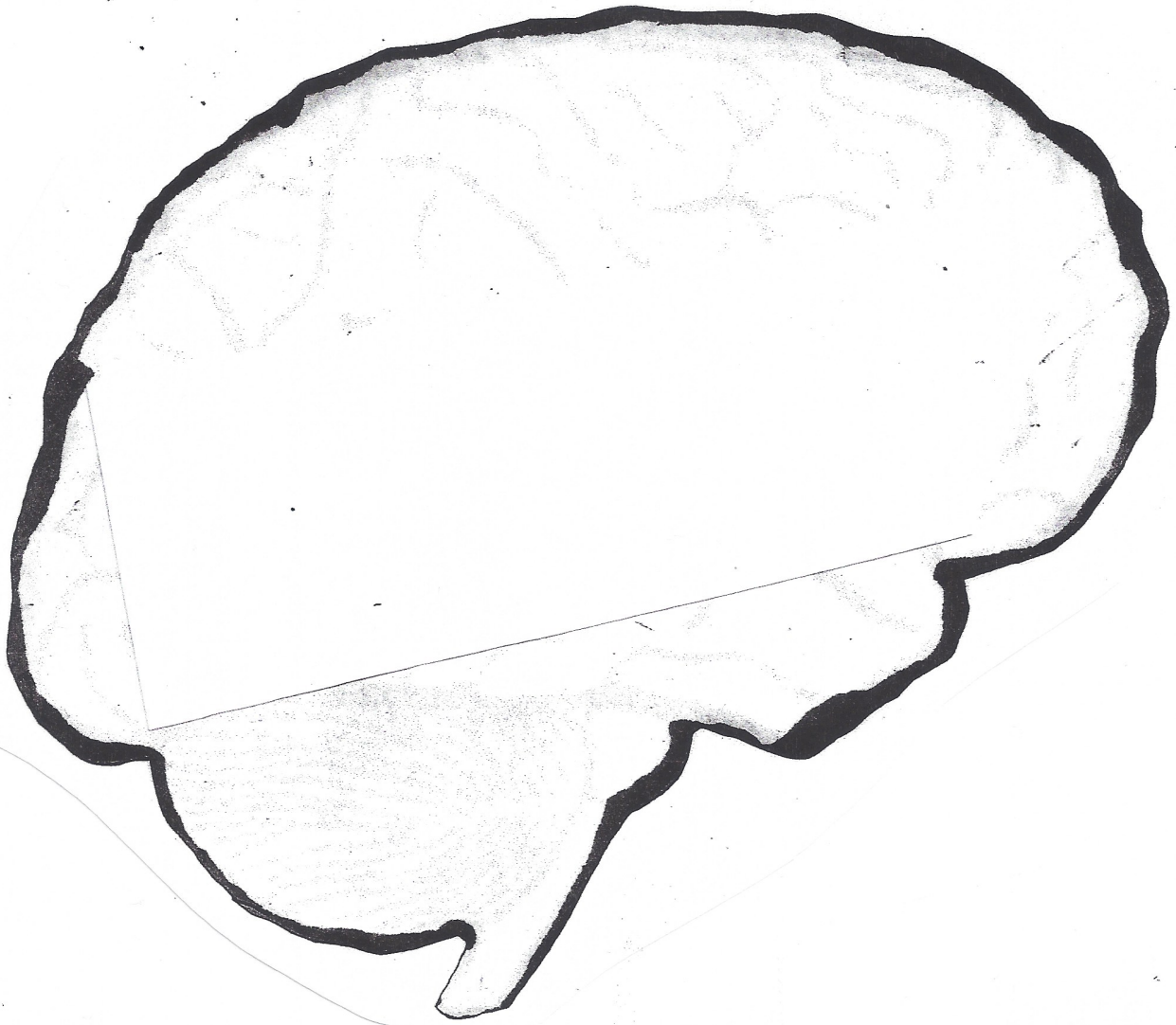
What is curiosity?



In and around the brain,
write or draw all the things
you are curious about.

ACTIVITY

**How often do you think
about your brain?**



**In and around the brain,
write or draw how
your brain feels today.**

ACTIVITY

**YOU are UNIQUE AND DIFFERENT,
and THAT IS SO COOL!**

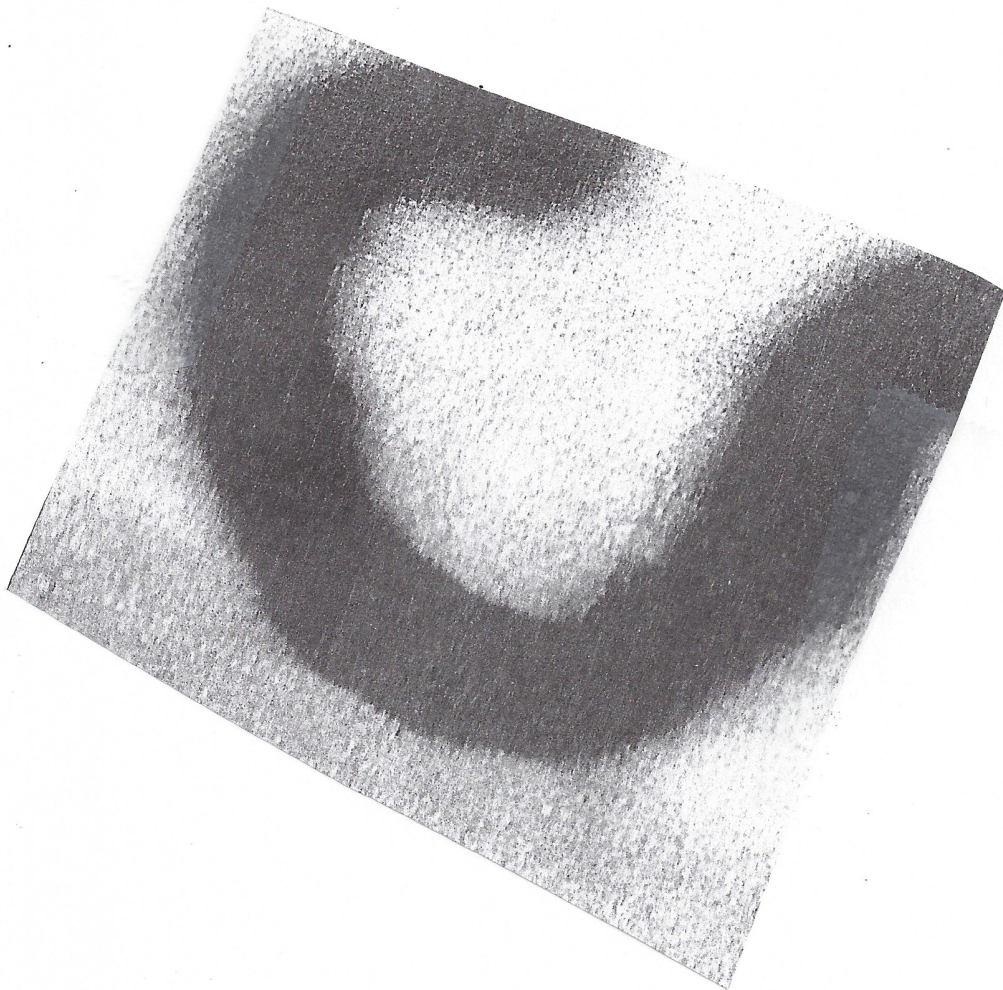
What does it mean to be unique and different?

Below, draw a picture of yourself
and all the things that make
you unique and different.

ACTIVITY

What does it mean to be creative?

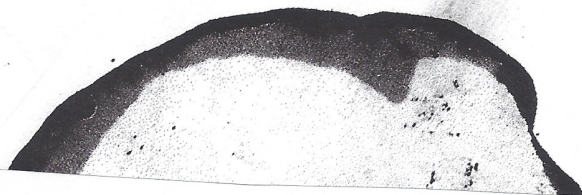
Start with the shape below,
and write or draw whatever
your creativity inspires you to create.



ACTIVITY

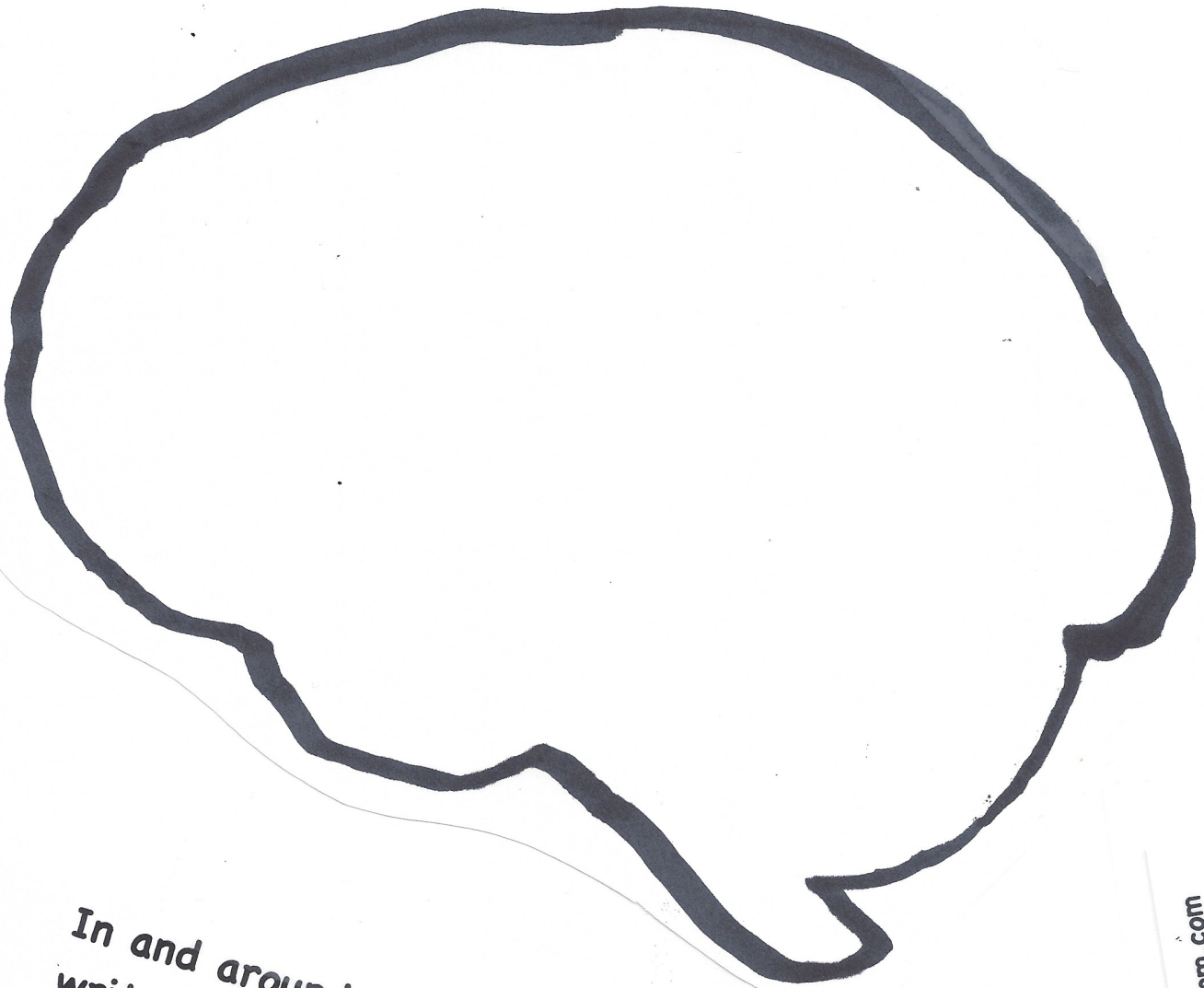
EXPLORE YOUR IMAGINATION!

Start with the shape below,
and write or draw whatever
your imagination inspires you to create.



ACTIVITY

How often do you think
about your brain?



In and around the brain,
write or draw what you think
your brain looks like today.

ACTIVITY

EXPLORE YOUR CURIOSITY!

*Start with the shape below,
and write or draw whatever
your curiosity inspires you to create.*



ACTIVITY

YOU ARE A BUILDER!

Start with the shape below,
and draw a building
that touches the sky.





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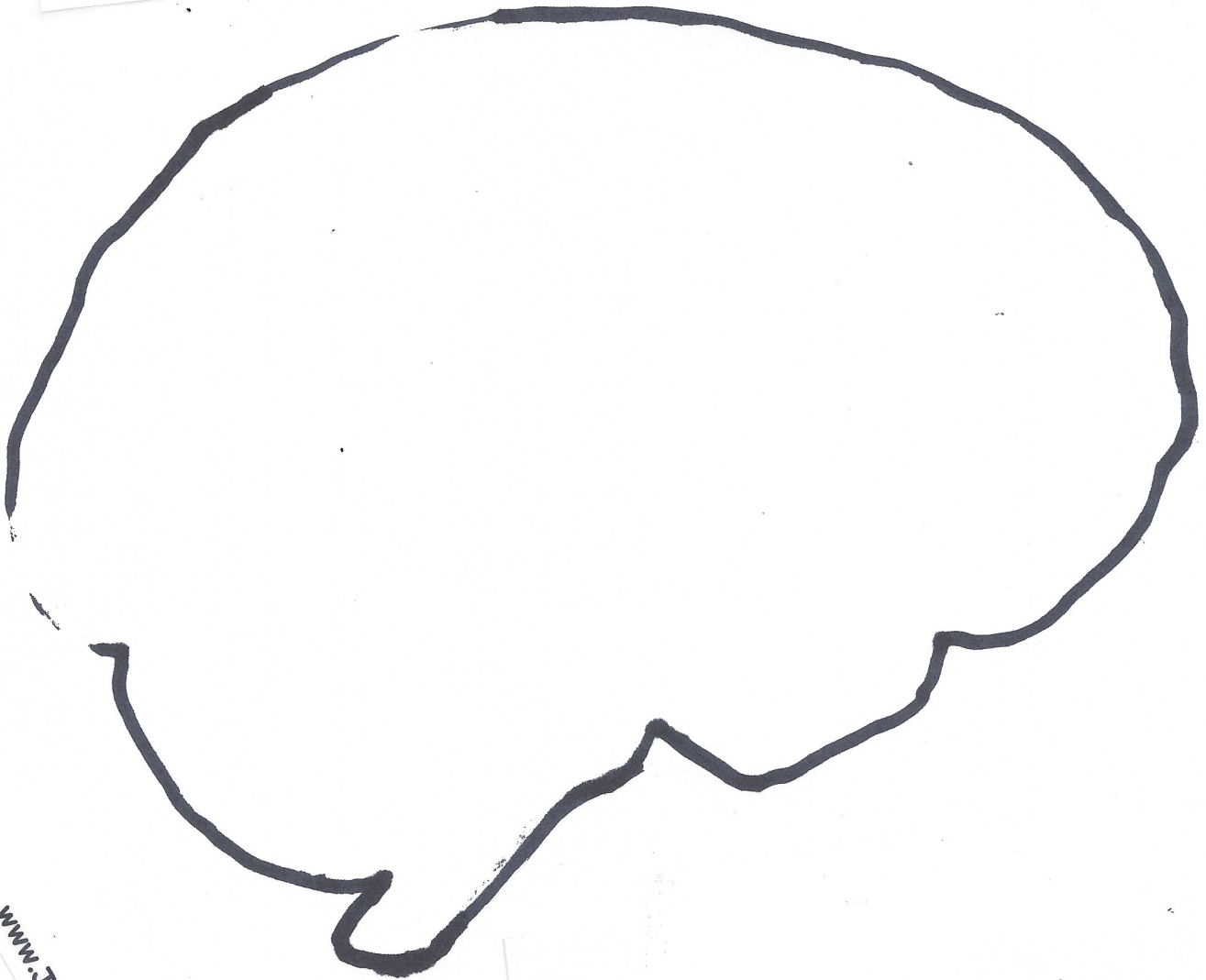
ACTIVITY

WELCOME TO OUTER SPACE!

Above, draw what you think outer space looks like.

How often do you think
about your brain?

ACTIVITY



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In and around the brain,
write or draw the ways
you can be kind to your brain.

Plant THE IMAGINATION GARDEN with others!

ACTIVITY

Participatory and Interactive Art is created when many people contribute their talent and imagination to create something.

Gather in a group of people. Each person should be given a copy of this page.

First, using a black marker, each person should draw one thing in their Imagination Garden.

Next, pass the papers around the group until every person has drawn something in each Imagination Garden using their black markers.

Then, when you get your black-and-white Imagination Garden back, color it in to bring your Imagination Garden to life!

