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Artist Statement

A while back, I decided that I wanted to try to learn art. At first, I was not very good. I did not know how to shade, color, or even draw correctly. I did have fun drawing and doodling, though. Until I saw other people's art, I was always jealous I could not color or draw like them. Over time, I became really upset that my art never looked like how I expected it. I wanted to give up, and I did for a little while because my art was so bad, but I decided not to give up completely.

Like Edgar Guest's poem, "It Couldn't Be Done," says, "Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing that 'cannot be done' and you'll do it." I started to look at other people's drawings and learn from them. That helped me to teach myself how to shade, color and draw in a way that I think looks good.

Of course, sometimes I still want to give up. So I take a break and before I know it I will want to draw again. My drawings become better and better the more I try. Now, I have improved so much. I am happy with my art, and I am better at shading and coloring. I have more creative ideas for my drawings, too. My art still has much time to get better though. If I had given up in the beginning and decided to quit art, I would have never known what I can do with art and how much fun it is.