

# LISTEN



*Listen* is a timely picture book written by Wiradjuri man **Duncan Smith AO** and **Nicole Godwin**, with paintings by Yorta Yorta and Dja Dja Warung descendant **Jandamarra Cadd**.

Listen.  
And you will hear the voices of Ancestors.  
Speaking to us.  
Guiding us.  
Leading us on the path to knowledge of culture, of Country.  
To reconciliation.  
Listen.

**Curriculum Links:** HASS, Visual Arts, English, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures (Cross-curricular priority) **Age Range:** K-6

## ACTIVITY: LISTEN CLOSELY

### How can we move forward together?

This activity supports exploration of the key themes raised in the book and positive action towards inclusion.

#### Read

Read *Listen*. Take time to look slowly at each page, explore the text and detailed illustrations with students.

#### Discuss

Invite students (depending on age) to consider the following questions,

- What values does this book speak to?
- Who is this book speaking about?
- Who is this book trying to speak to?
- What action can we take?

#### Connect

In pairs or triads, invite students to consider what we can do together to move forward. Who are some of the people we can listen to and learn from in our community? Think about local elders, knowledge holders, those who can help us better care for land and waterways and animals. Encourage students to fill in the letters of LISTEN with people, symbols, ideas and key words.



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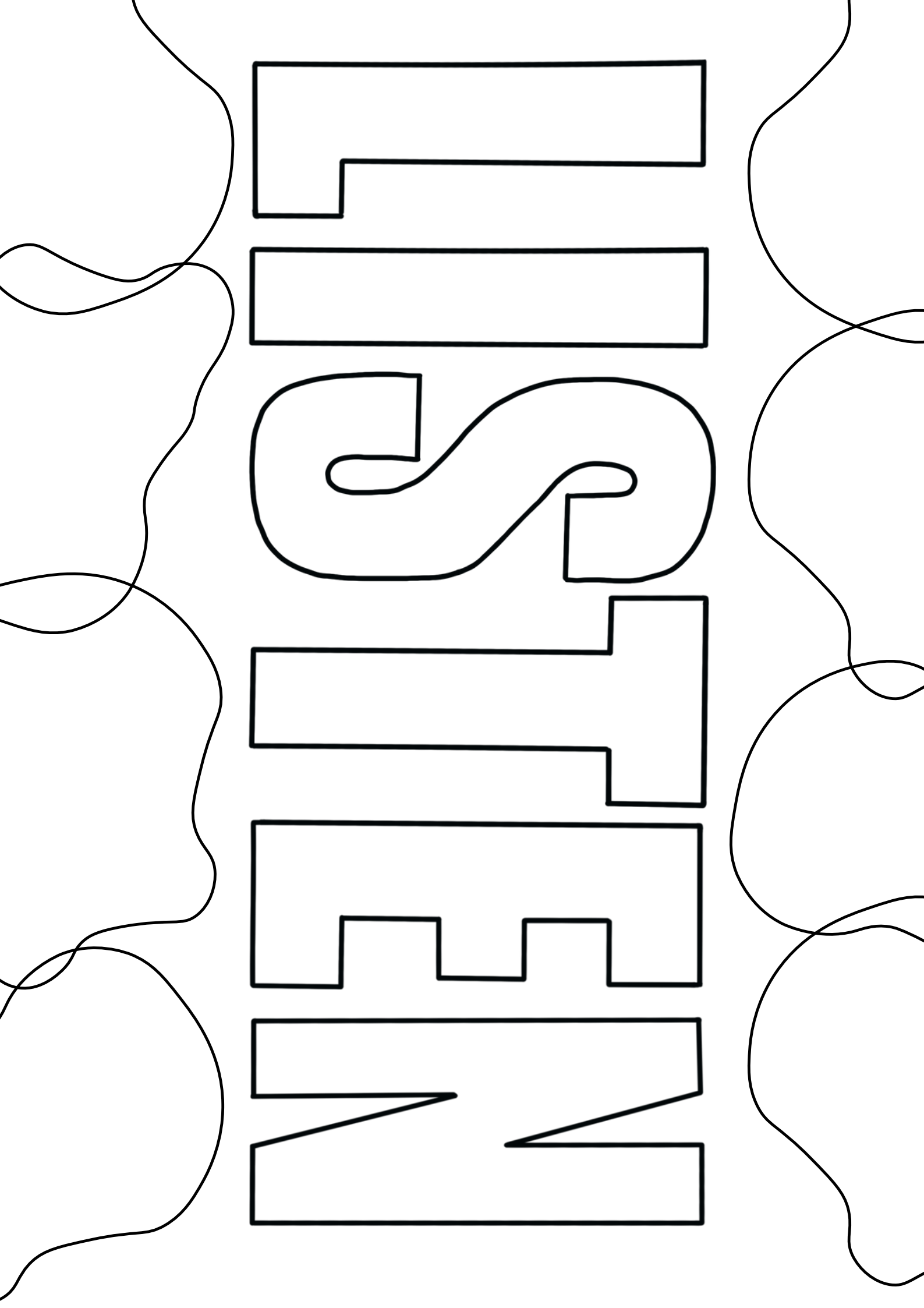
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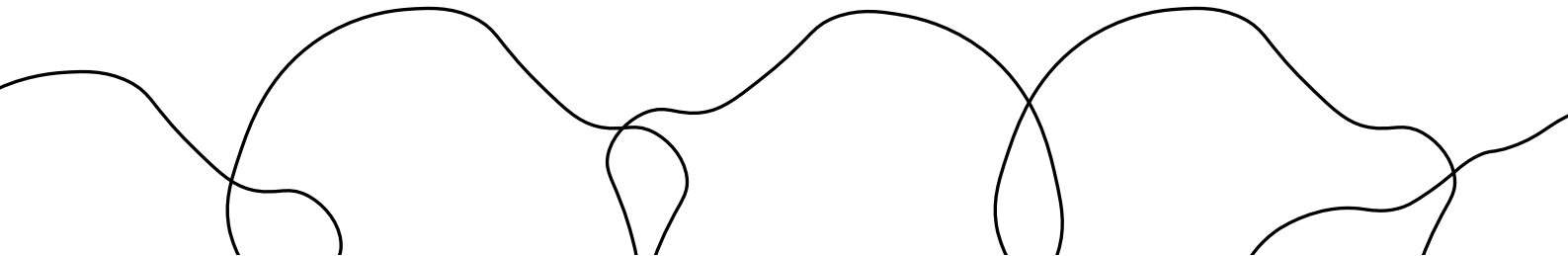
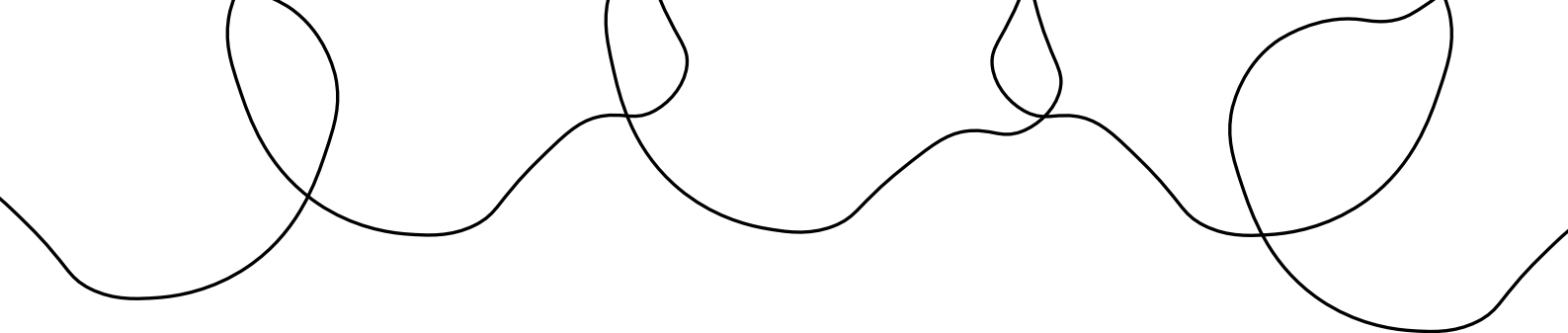
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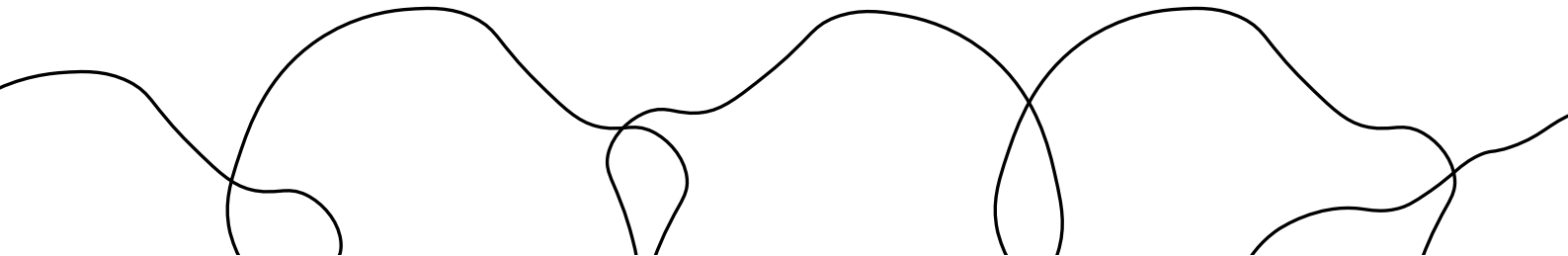
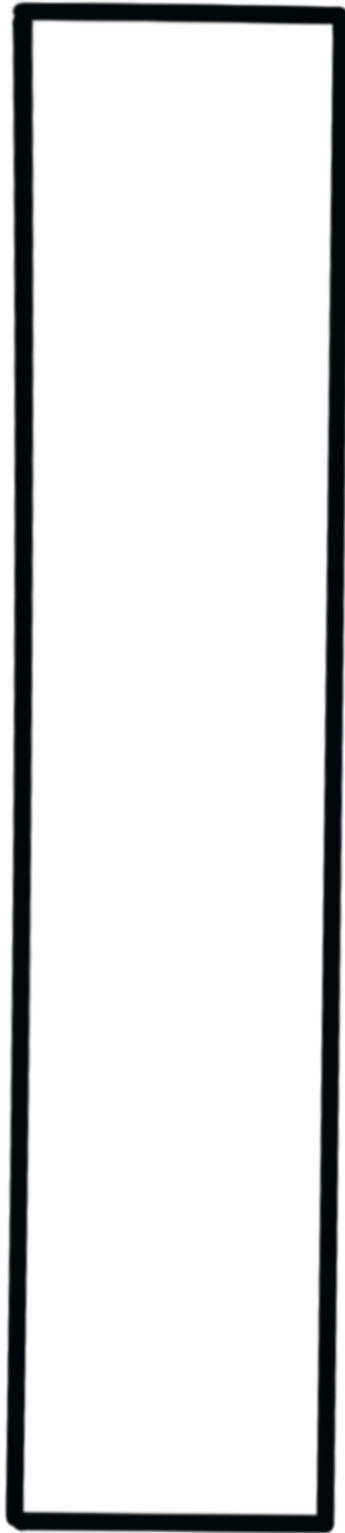
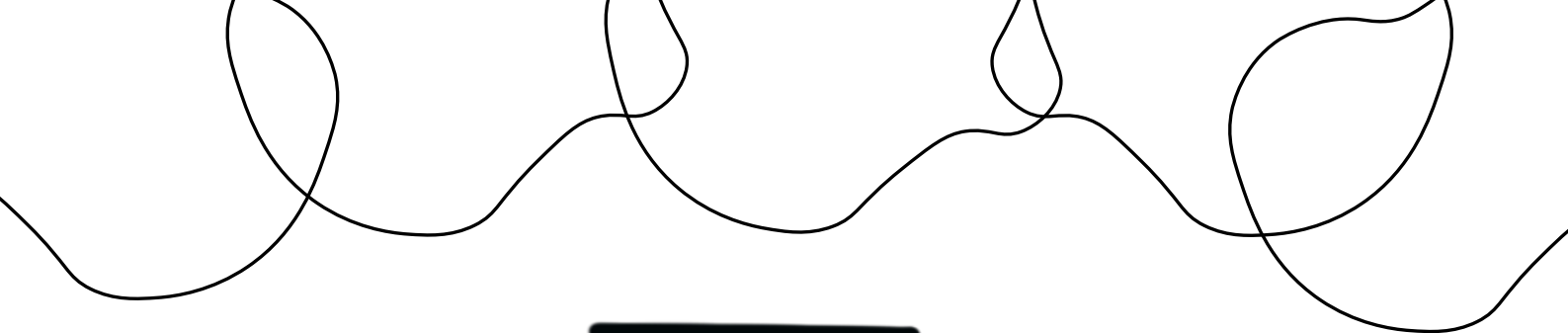
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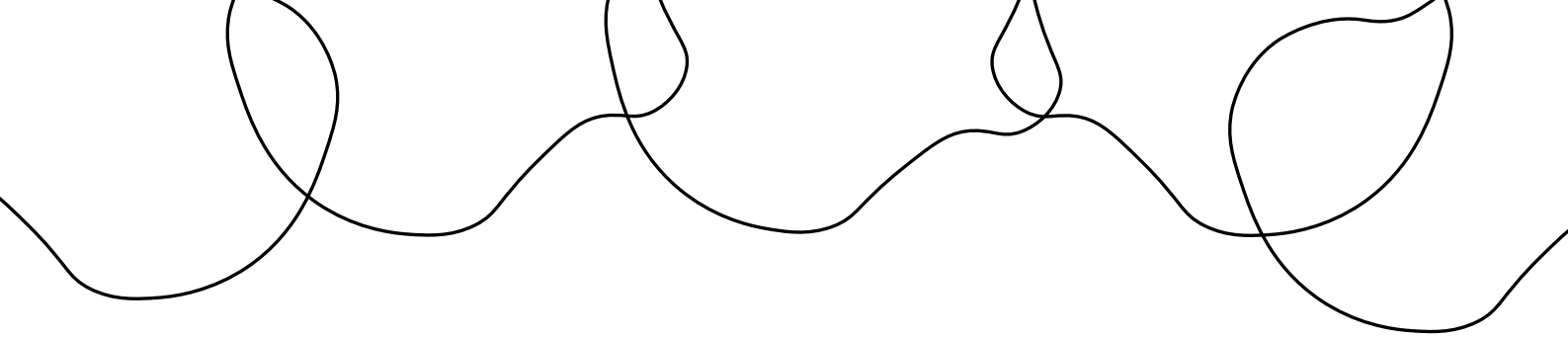
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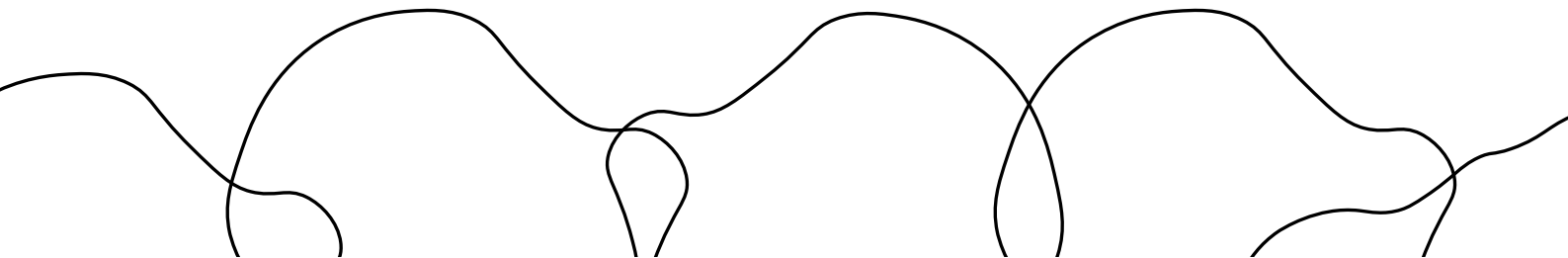


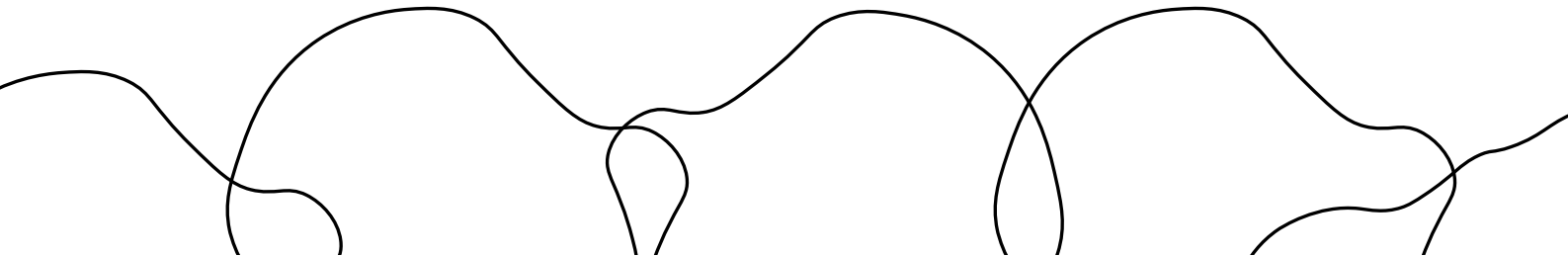
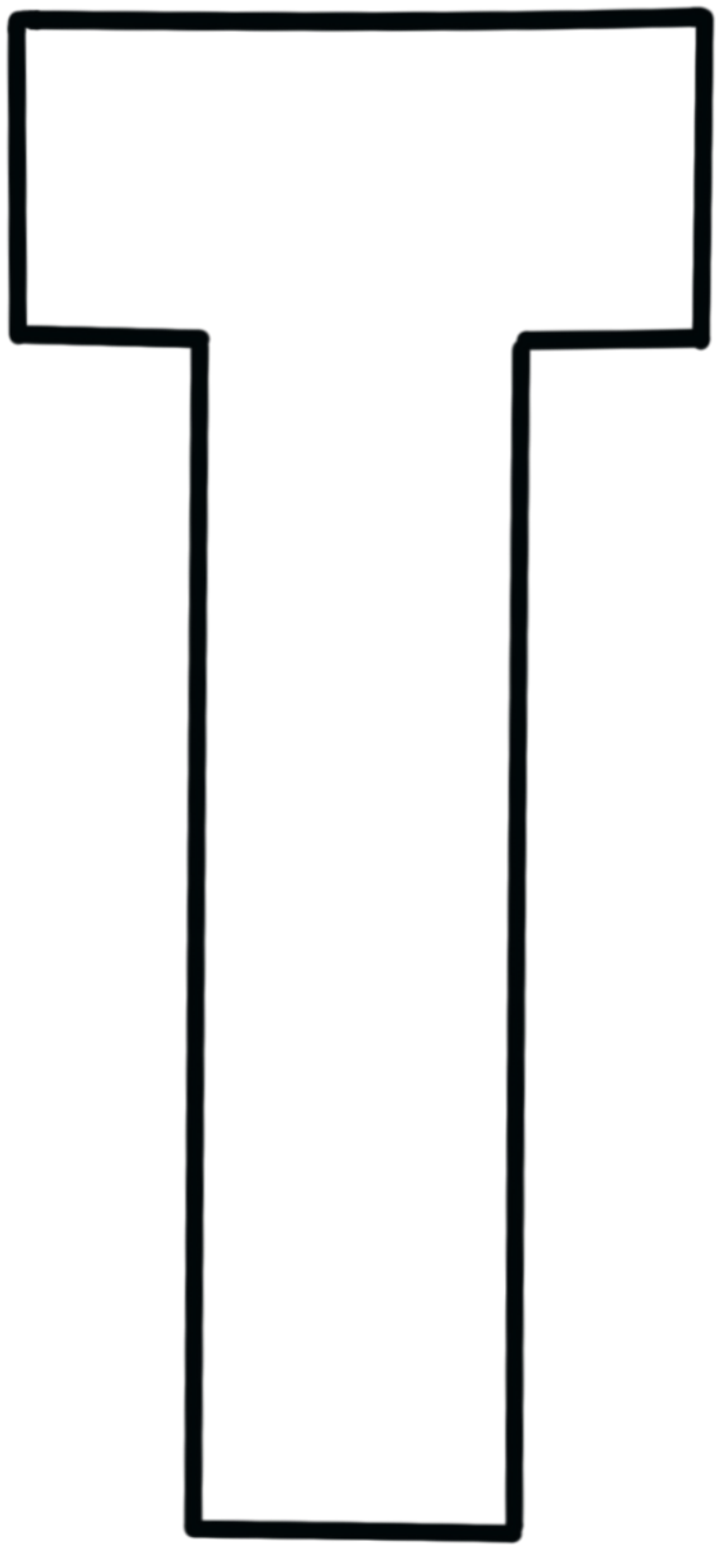
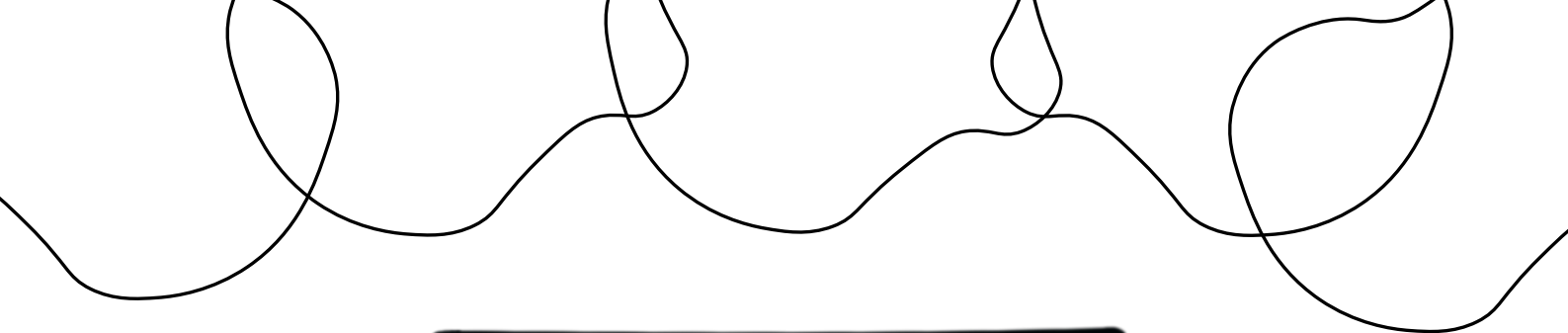


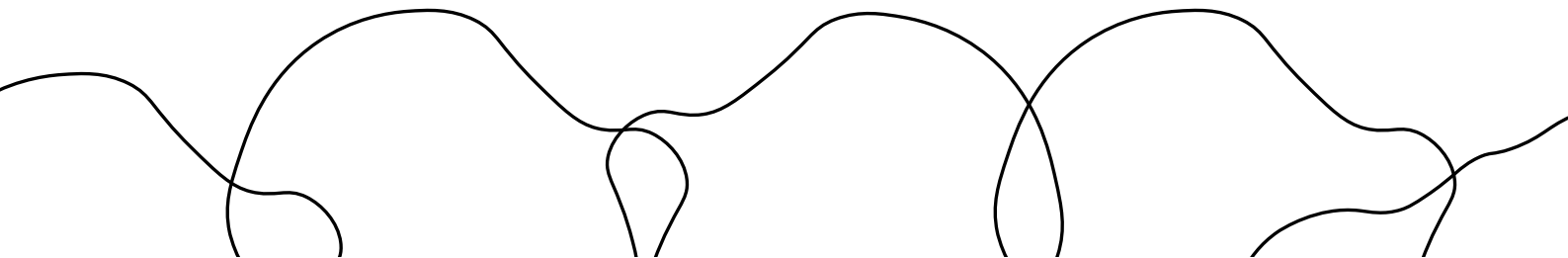
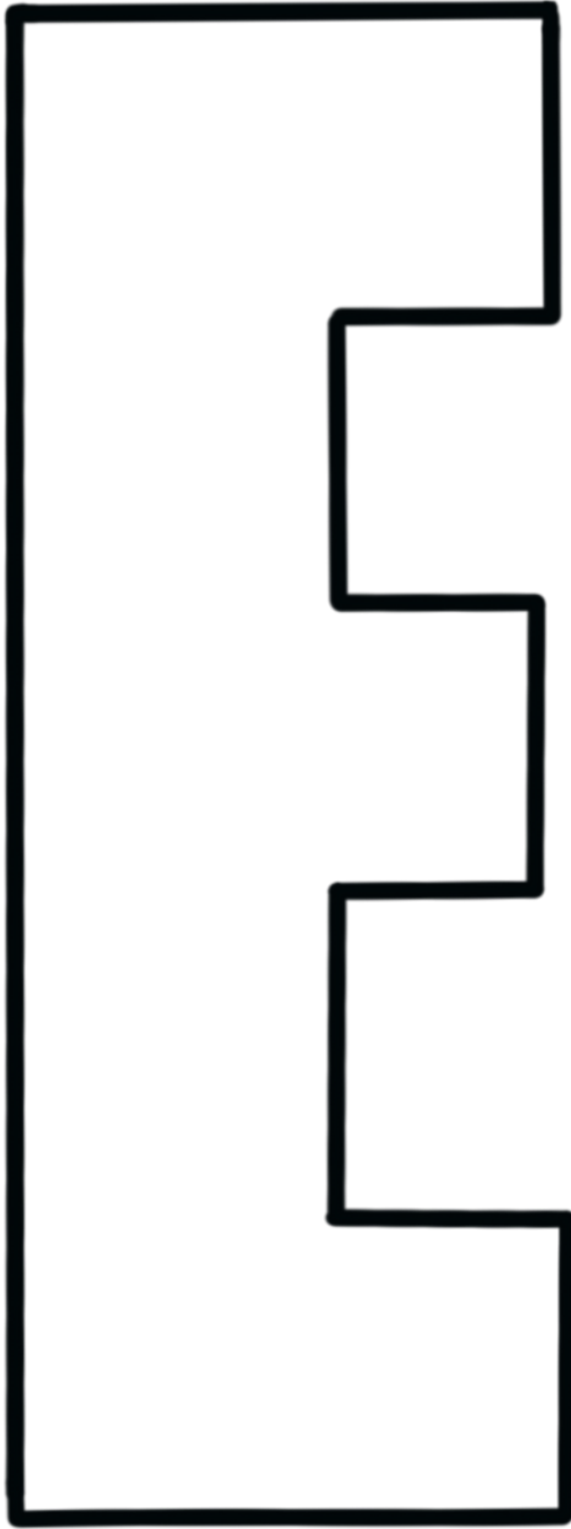
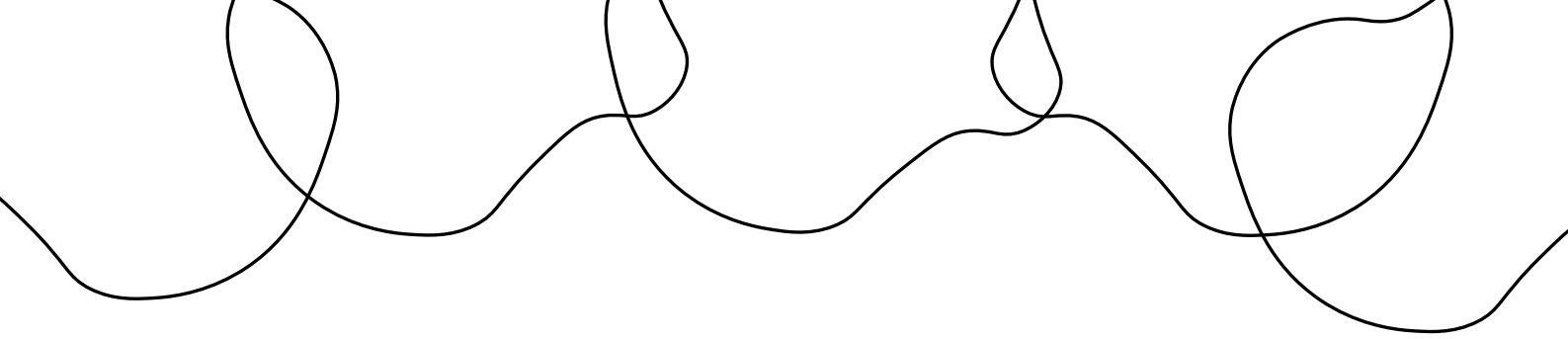


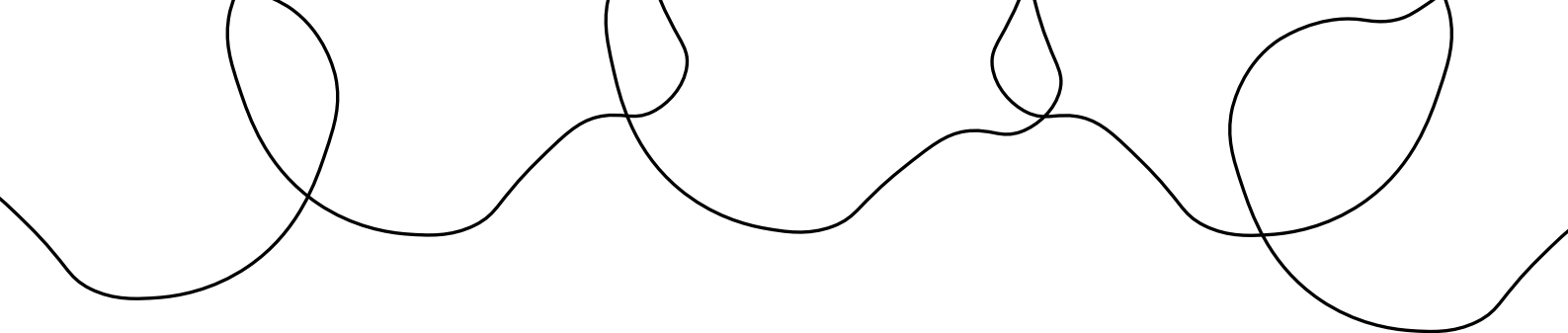


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