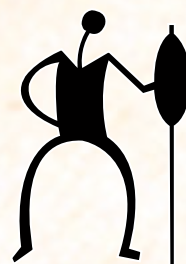




# ABORIGINAL DREAMING



## TIME REQUIRED

Approximately 3 class periods  
(50 minutes each)

## OBJECTIVES

Students will...

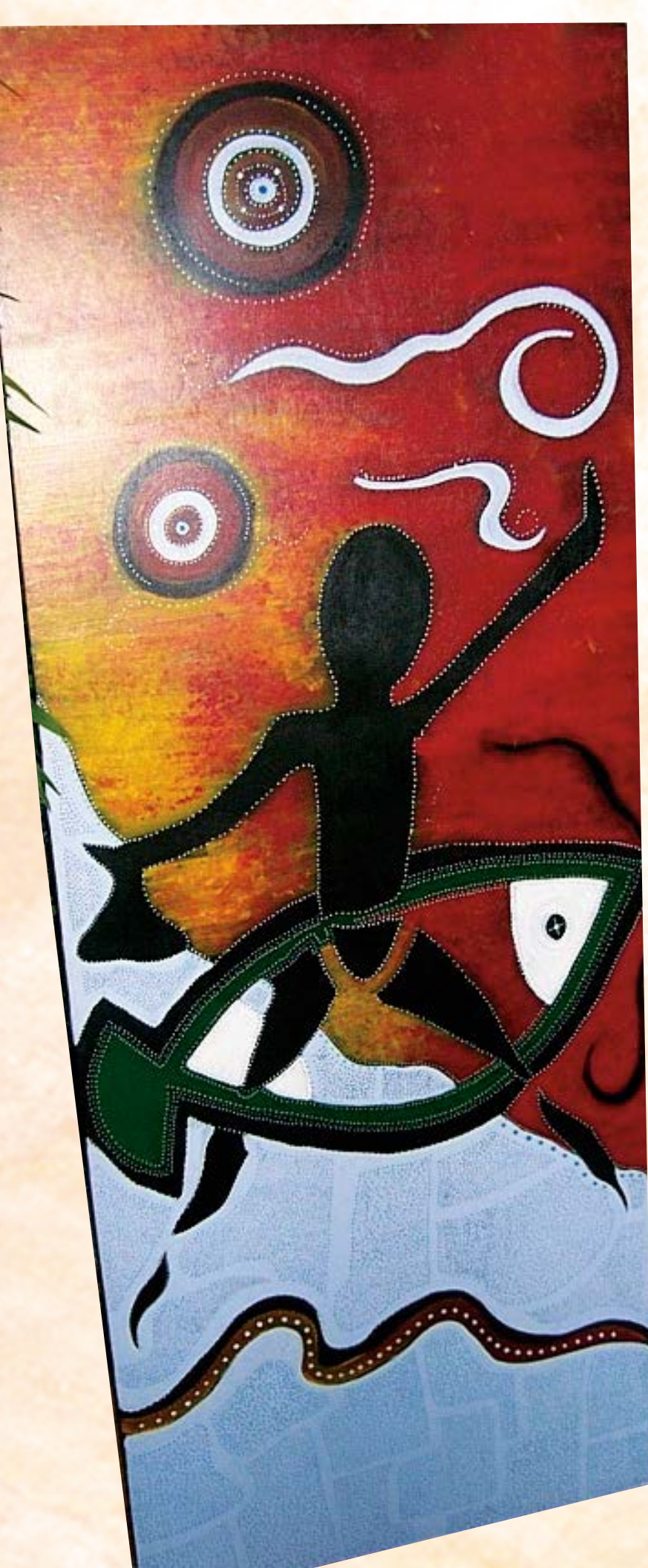
- Create an aboriginal dot painting
- Prove understanding of the dreaming images and icons of Australia
- Recognize the importance of storytelling and symbolism in world cultures
- Experiment with a variety of elements of art to create a cohesive composition

## VOCABULARY

- Aborigine
- Visual Balance
- Pattern
- Dreaming
- Symbols
- Shape
- Composition
- Repetition
- Line







## INTRODUCTION

Briefly explain the history of “dreaming” or “creation” stories (Jukurrpa) of the Aborigine culture in Australia. Dot or sand paintings were made by Aboriginal ancestors from the desert area of Central Australia to tell the stories of creation. Show reproductions of dot paintings from Central Australia.

## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Base coat ceiling tile with one solid color of acrylic paint.
- 2 In pencil, draw Aborigine animal and plant shapes and creation symbols. Focus on a central theme (creation of water) and select animals, plants, and symbols to illustrate that story.
- 3 Paint shapes and symbols with black acrylic paint. Fill in shapes completely (like a silhouette). Let dry.

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- 4 Decorate each animal and symbol with concentric patterns of dots and lines in bright colors, including white, on top of the black silhouette. Use the “opposite” end of a paintbrush to make the dots. Various materials can be used to create different size dots.
- 5 Paint lines and/or dots in concentric circle patterns on the background.







## TIP

Creation stories and imagery can be painted on almost any surface. Try using paper, tag board, wood, walls, doors, trash cans, mailboxes, etc.



# MATERIALS LIST



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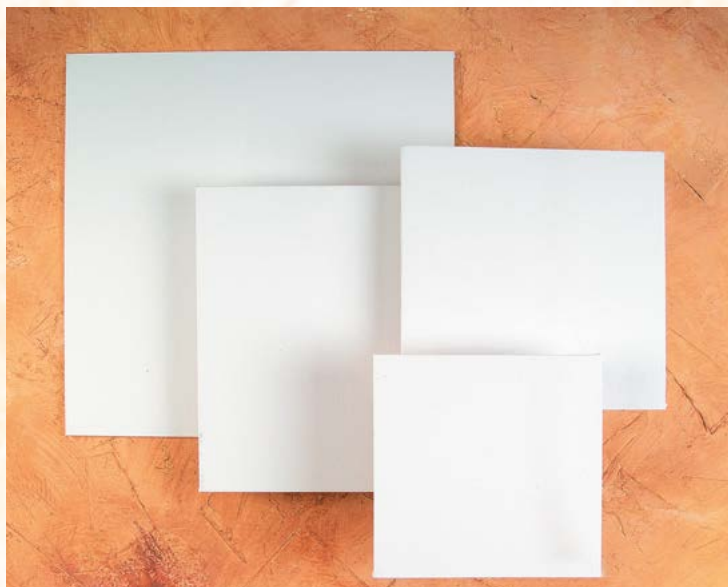
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