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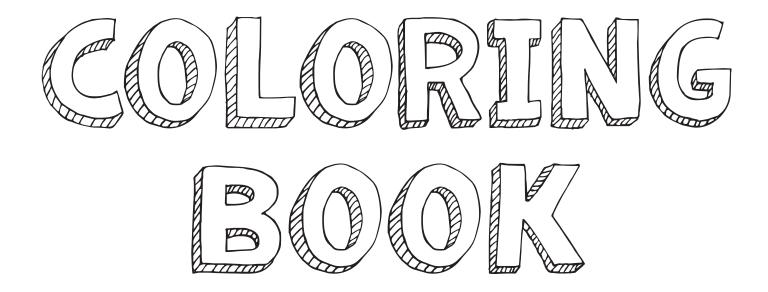
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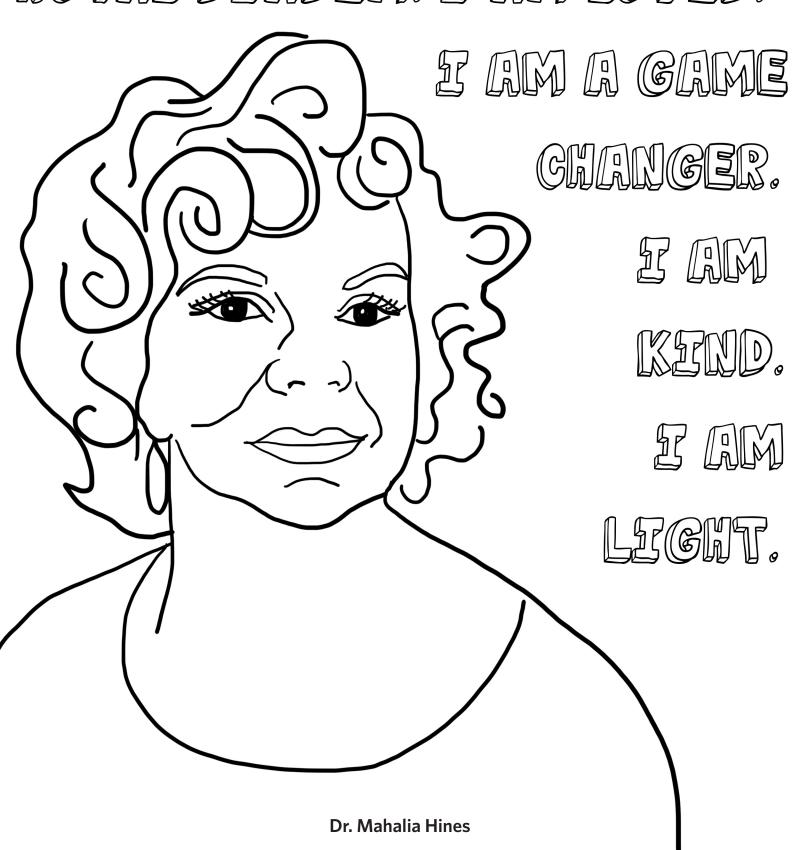
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Positive affirmations submitted by KIPP Chicago staff. Drawings by KIPP Chicago students.



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This coloring book, produced by KIPP Chicago's *Children's Museum of Art and Social Justice* is a compilation of positive affirmations collected from our teachers. Positive affirmations can be used to reprogram our thought patterns and change the way we think and feel about things. They are the messages we choose to tell ourselves over and over until we internalize and believe them. Students in grades Kindergarten through 8th from across the region chose an affirmation to illustrate and submitted their designs. We hope that you utilize this coloring book as a way to practice mindfulness and meditation while reflecting on the affirmations on each page.

The mission of the *Children's Museum of Art and Social Justice* is to offer a space for the voices of KIPP Chicago students to be heard and to infuse a social justice curriculum into the arts at our eight schools. Our students range in age from 5-14 and the museum offers a space to showcase and celebrate their artistic explorations of social justice themes, inspiring action toward social change.

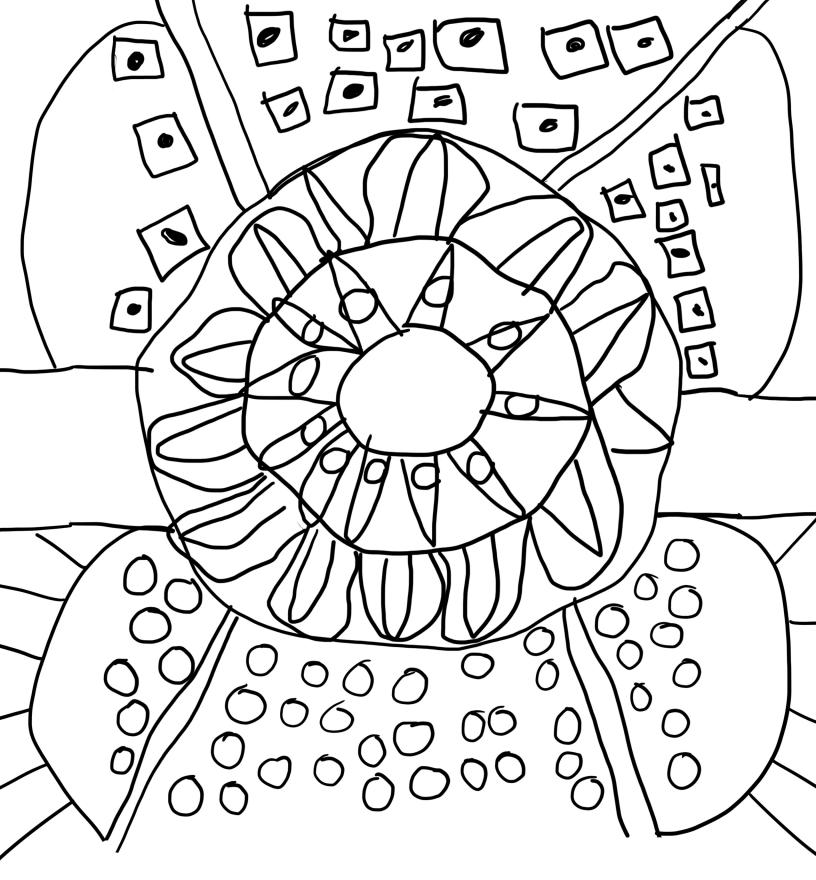
Our art exhibits are the result of students engaging in topics such as: the effects of gun violence, geopolitics and physical borders, the forgotten history of the origins of indigo dye, architecture and urban planning, water access and rights, the aesthetic theories and philosophies of Afrofuturism, activism, food justice, and more.

Special thanks to Dr. Mahalia Hines for inspiring this project and for sharing your positive affirmations with us.

Mindfulness is the quality or state of being fully present and aware of where we are and what we are doing. It is a mental state achieved by focusing our awareness on the present moment, while calmly acknowledging and accepting all of our feelings, thoughts, and bodily sensations without judgement.

We can practice mindfulness by bringing our attention to the present moment, rather than giving our attention to our thoughts about the past or future. There are many activities that help us do this and coloring is one of them. Through the act of coloring, we can bring our focus and attention to what we are doing, grounded in the activity of filling in spaces and shapes with color.

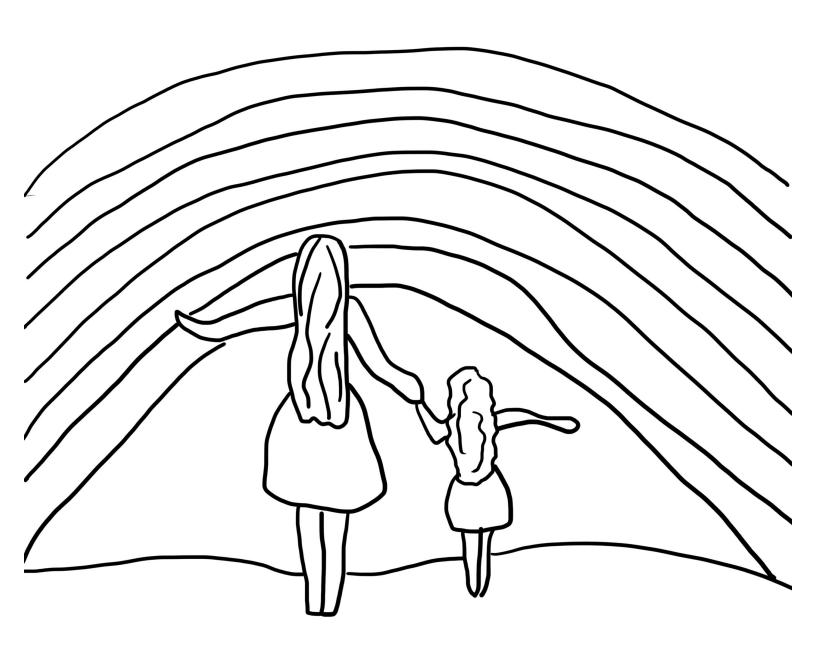
The benefits of practicing mindfulness are tremendous. Research has found that it can boost our immune systems, decrease stress, reduce psychological pain, improve heart health, reduce emotional reactions, and help us to regulate our emotions.



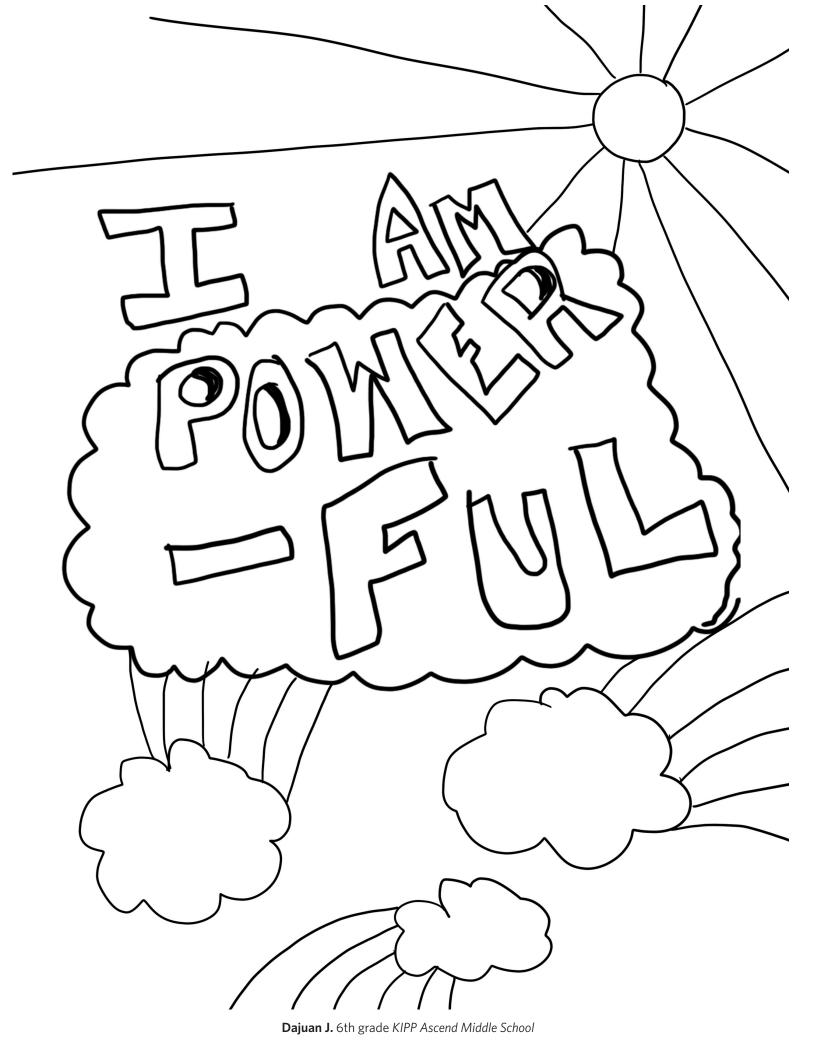
There is a solution to every problem I face

Bria W. Kindergarten KIPP Academy Chicago Primary

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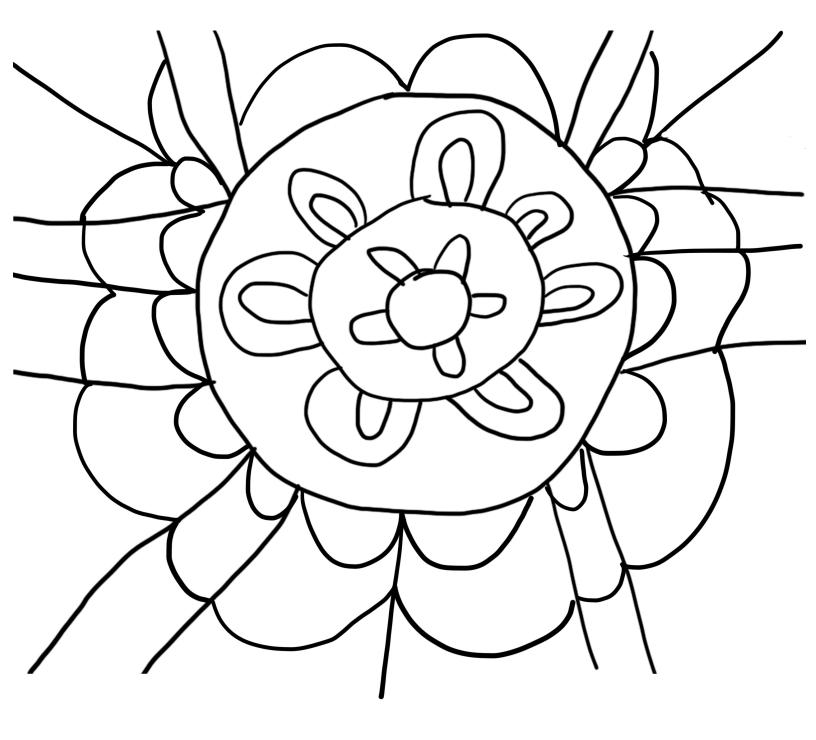








Blake H. 1st grade KIPP Academy Chicago Primary

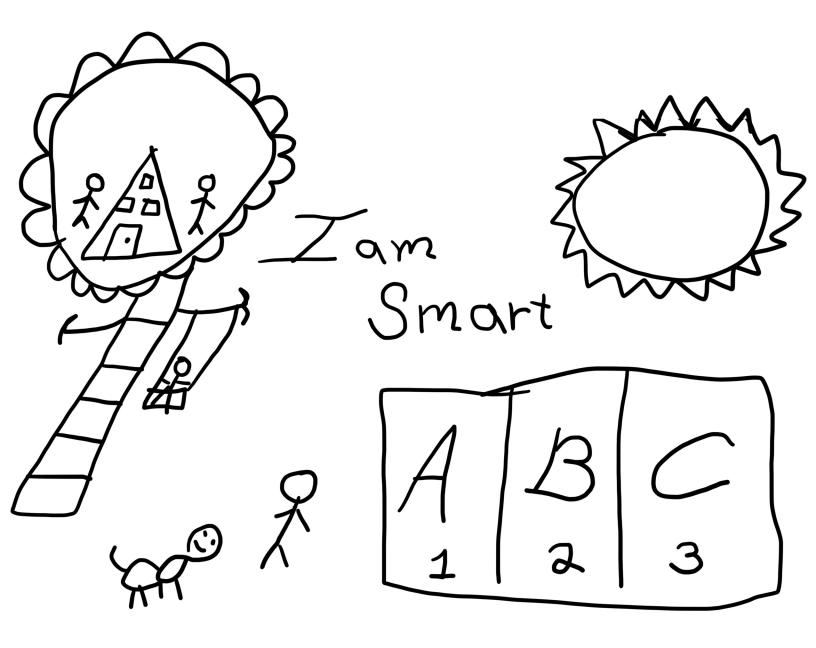


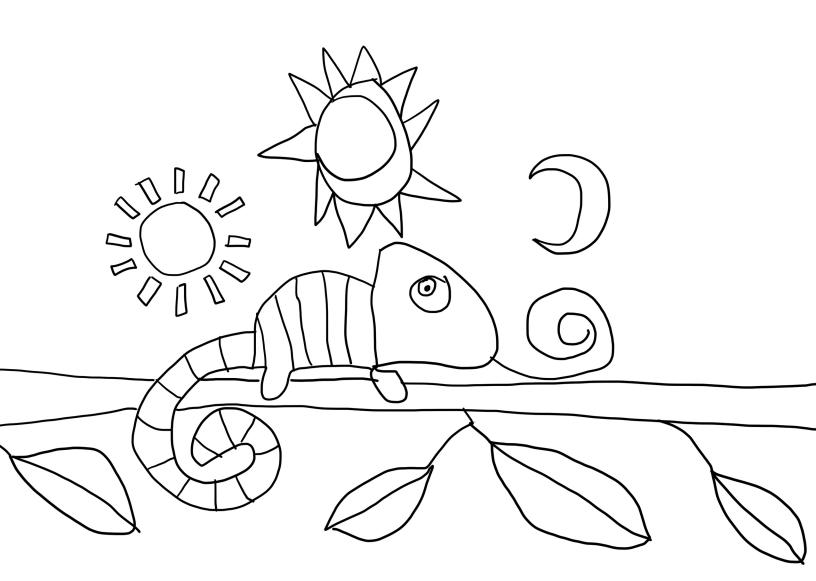
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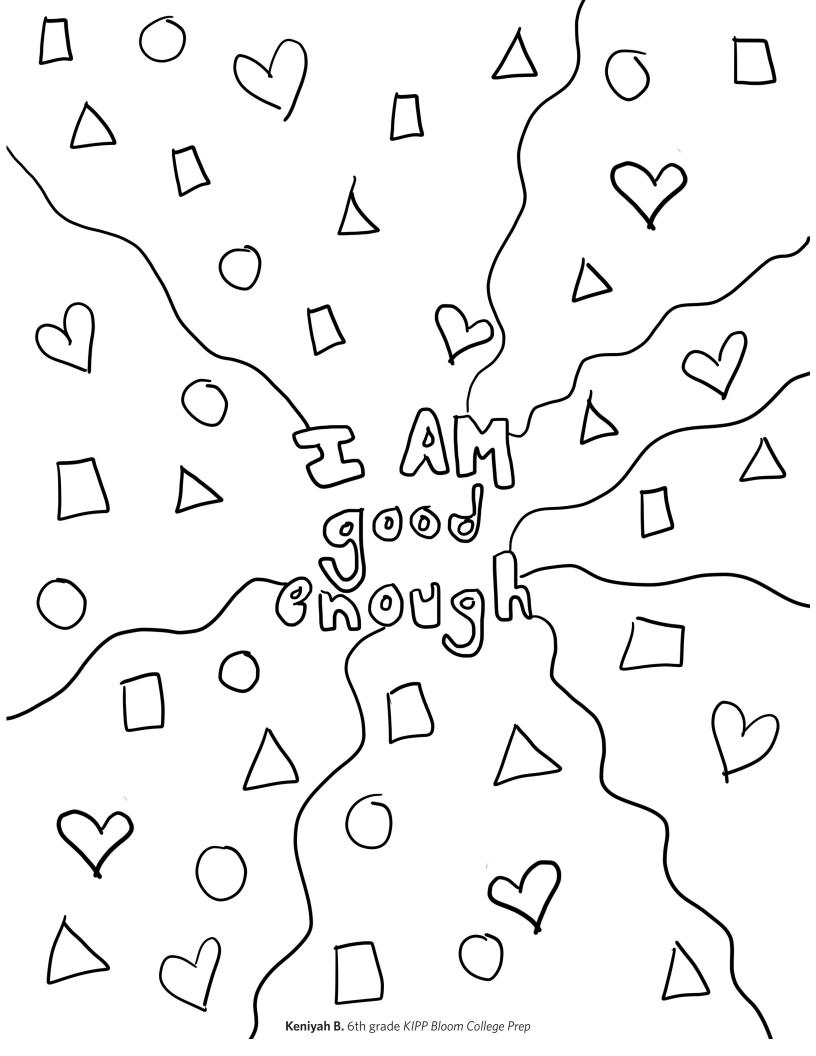
I DID NOT COME HERE
ALONE. I WALK WITH MY
ANGESTORS AND MY
DESCENDANTS.

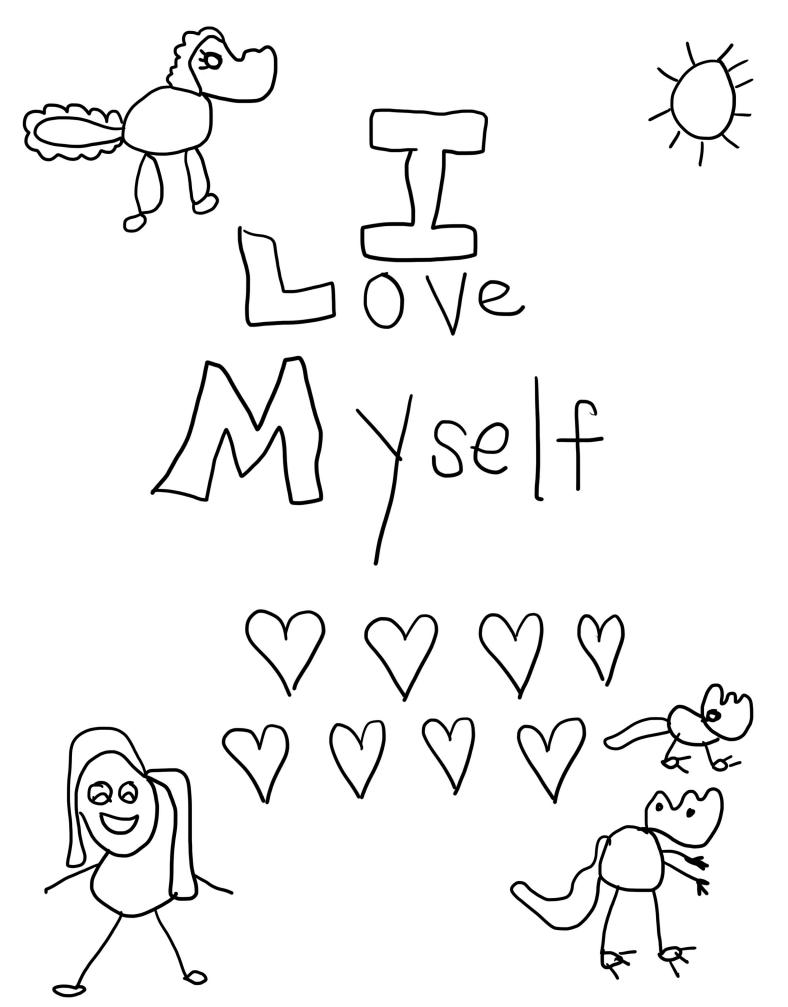








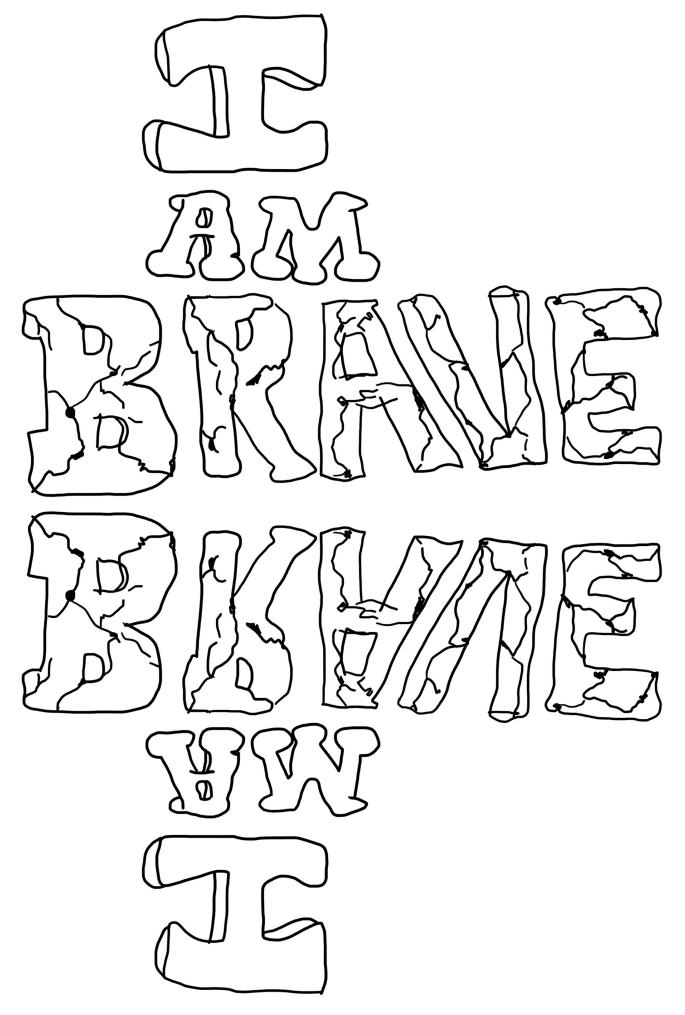






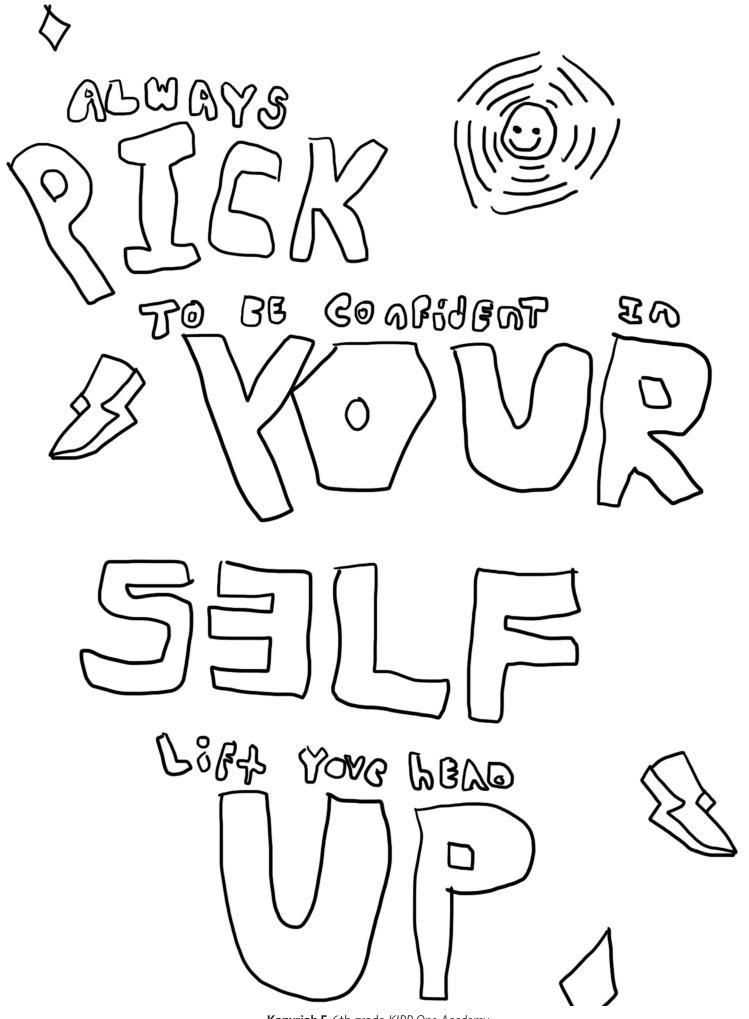


Payton S. 5th grade KIPP One Academy

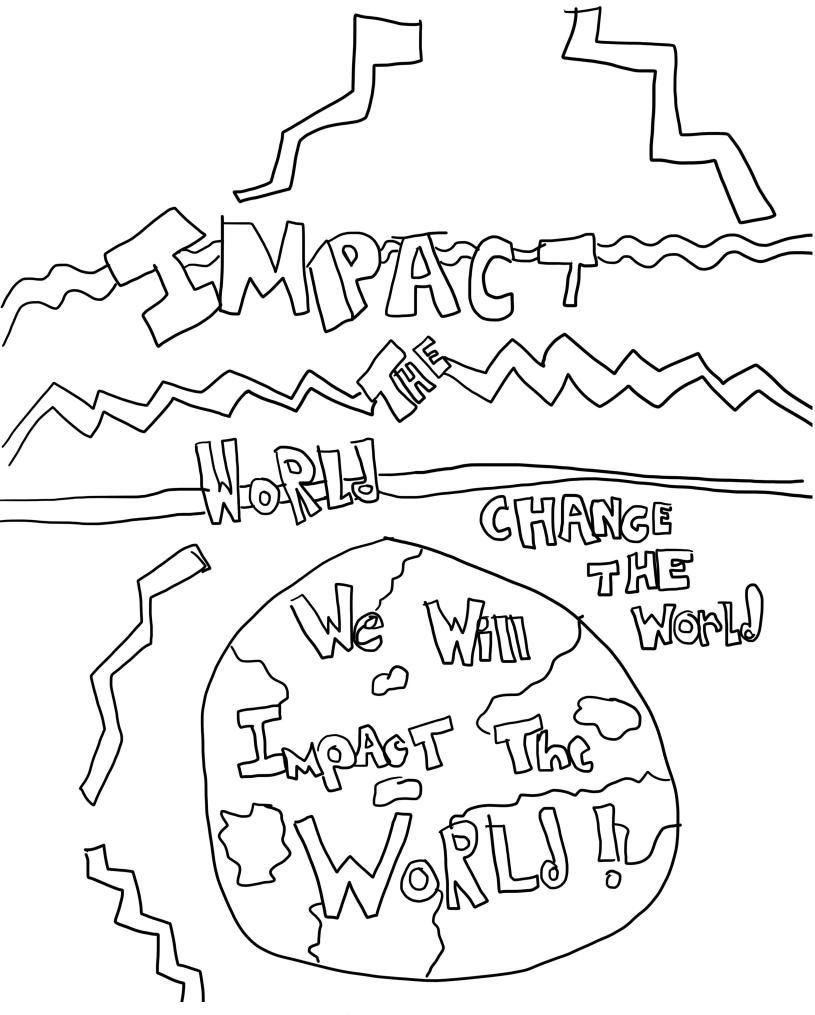


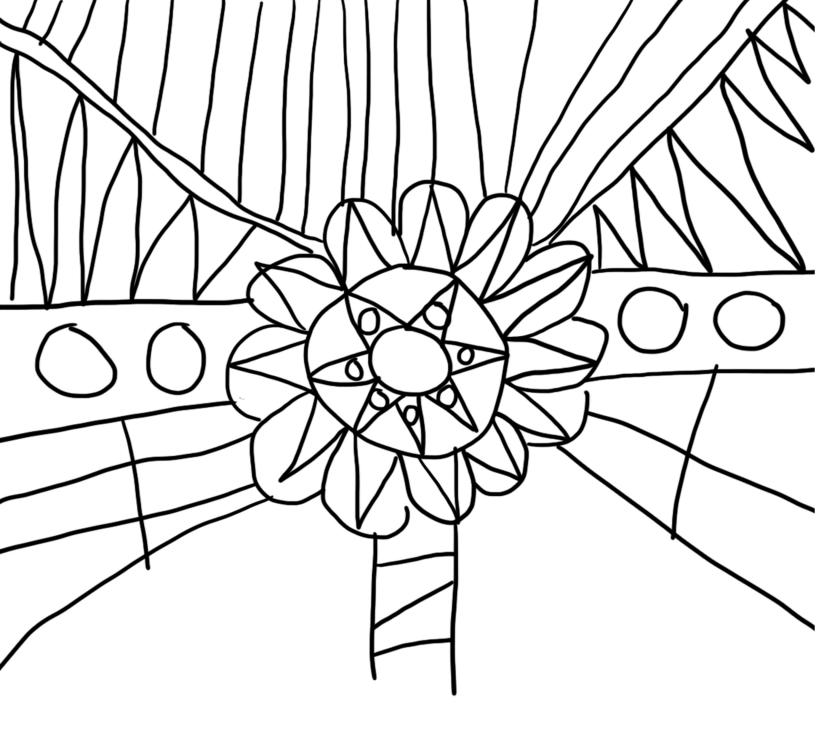


I am worthy.
I am worthy of joy and calm.
I am worthy of happiness in all areas of my life.
I am worthy.



Kanyriah F. 6th grade KIPP One Academy

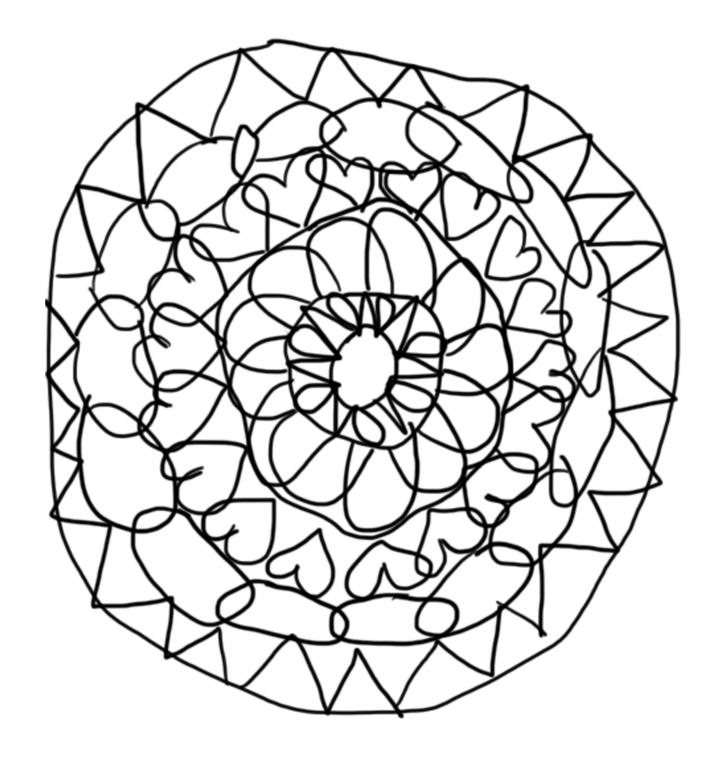




Doy gracias por todo lo que tengo

(I am grateful for everything I have)

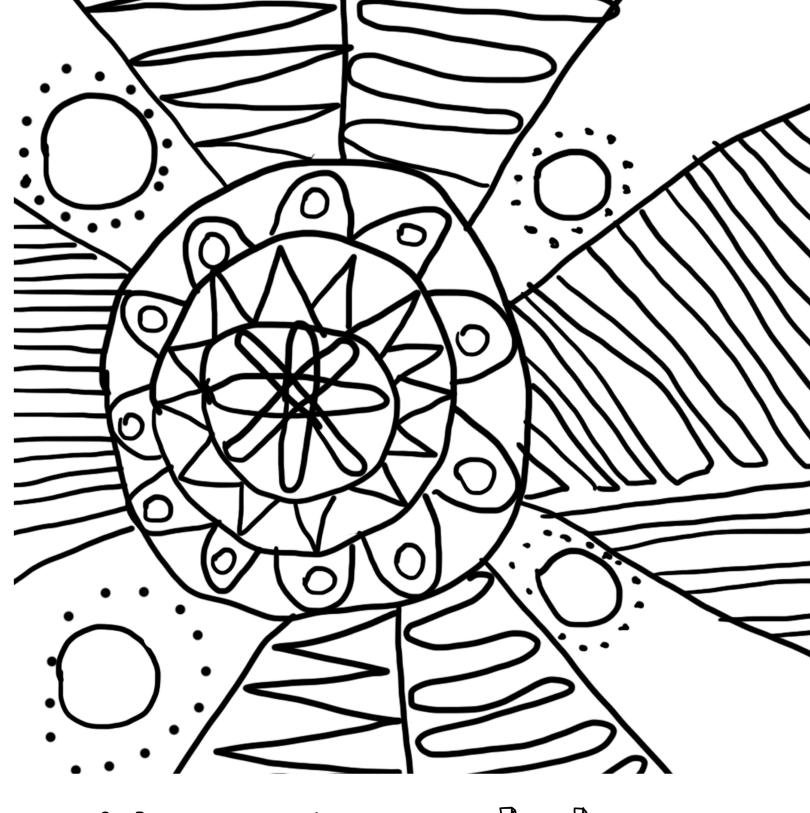




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Illisa S. 7th grade KIPP Ascend Primary



My roots reach deep.
I'm connected to
the core of me.

