

# Whimsical Flight

“Learn to Watercolor” Project

## Instructions

This watercoloring lesson is one that is likely to appeal to the funny side of your brain. Following a step-by-step approach, you'll learn basic watercolor painting techniques as you paint your character. When you're finished with this project, sit back and giggle!

## Step 1

Start by sketching the scene. Once you have everything looking just right, trace the lines with a black fine point marker. If you would like to get right to painting, you can simply print this page onto watercolor paper.



### Step 2

Paint the balloon with pink wash. Wet the whole balloon with clean water, and then fill your brush with pink watercolor paint. Quickly cover the balloon with paint. Fill your brush with pink watercolor paint again, and add a few strokes of paint on the left side of the balloon to create a bit of shading.

### Step 3

Paint the girl's outfit with blue and green. You may need a very small brush, depending on the size of your drawing. Begin with the blue stripes and tights. Let the color dry completely, and then paint the green stripes and shoes. (You might want to use your mom's hair dryer to move things along.)

### Step 4

Let's try the hair now. This is more of a follow the lines, than a paint within the lines thing. Your brush strokes, as always, should be quick and spontaneous.

### Step 5

Your scene is almost finished. The cloud is painted with a very watered down blue. Try to do it with four quick brush strokes. Her face, hands and feet are painted with a mixture of yellow and a hint of red. That's it!

Congratulations!

If your watercolor painting didn't turn out as well as you hoped, try painting it again. Every talent takes time to master. If you apply yourself, you will be great!

**Your model**

