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**2019-2020**

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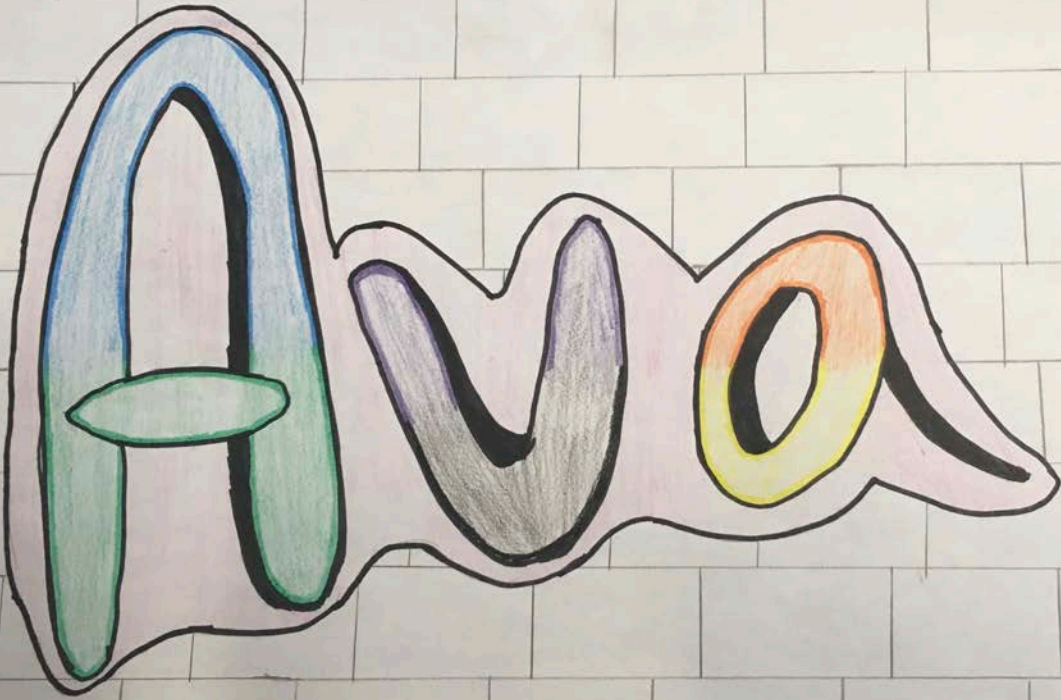
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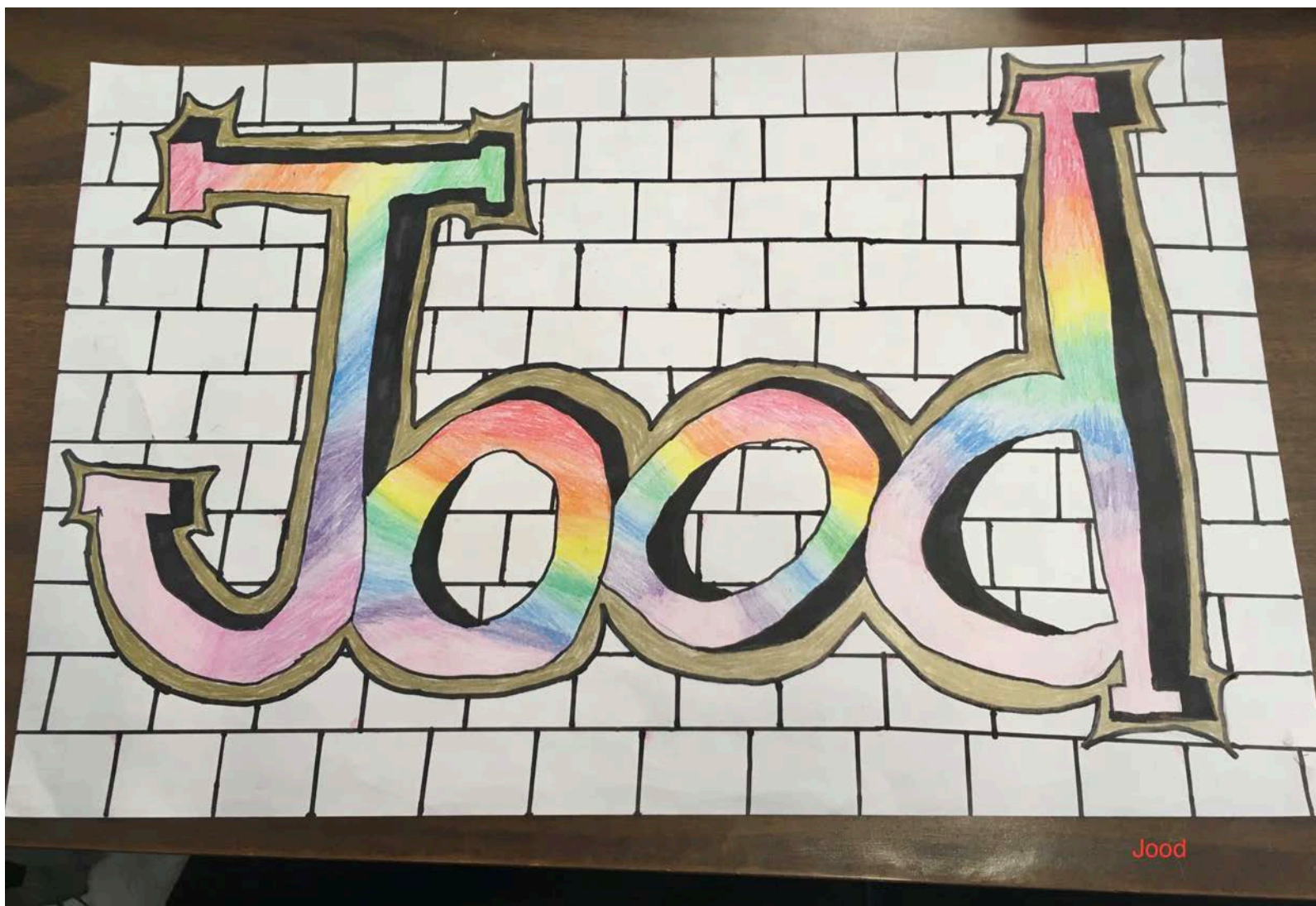
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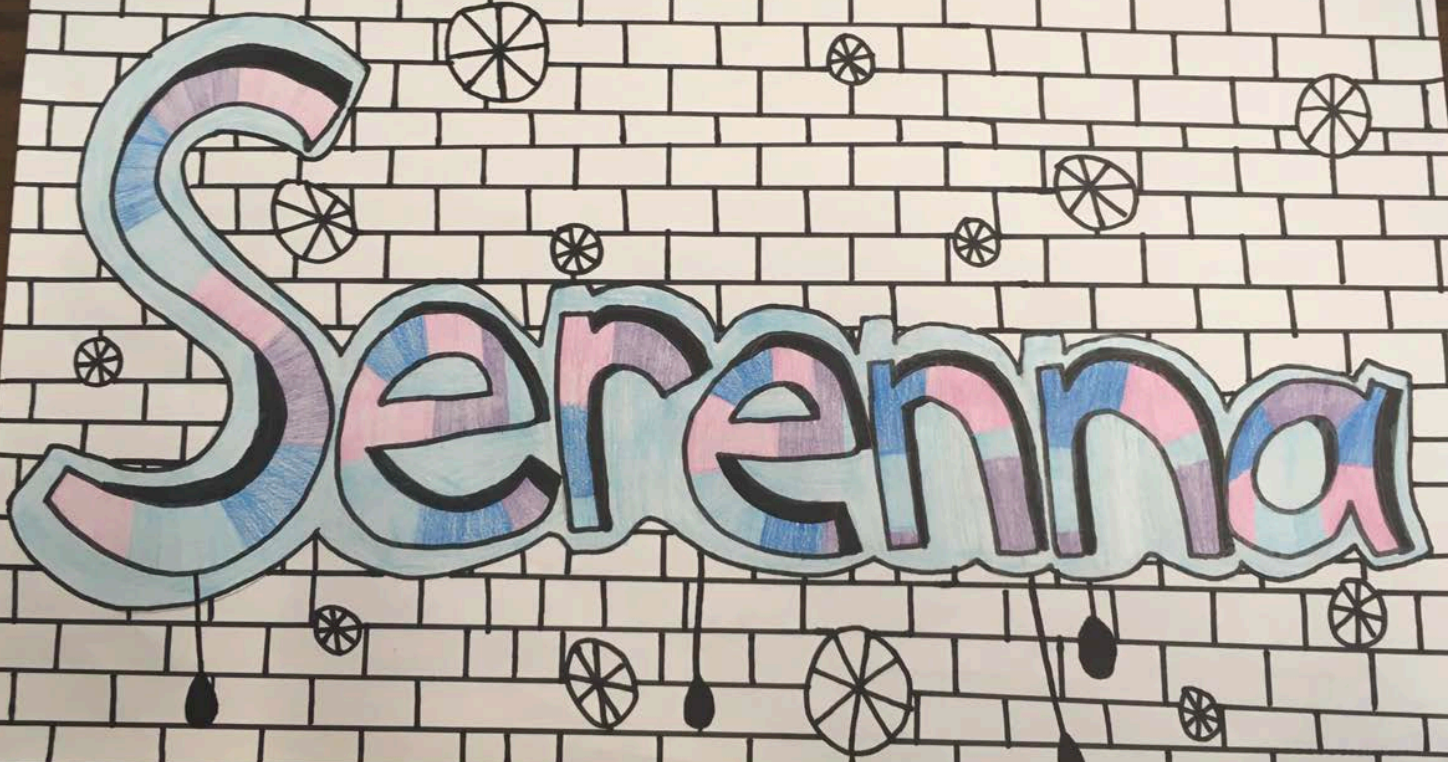




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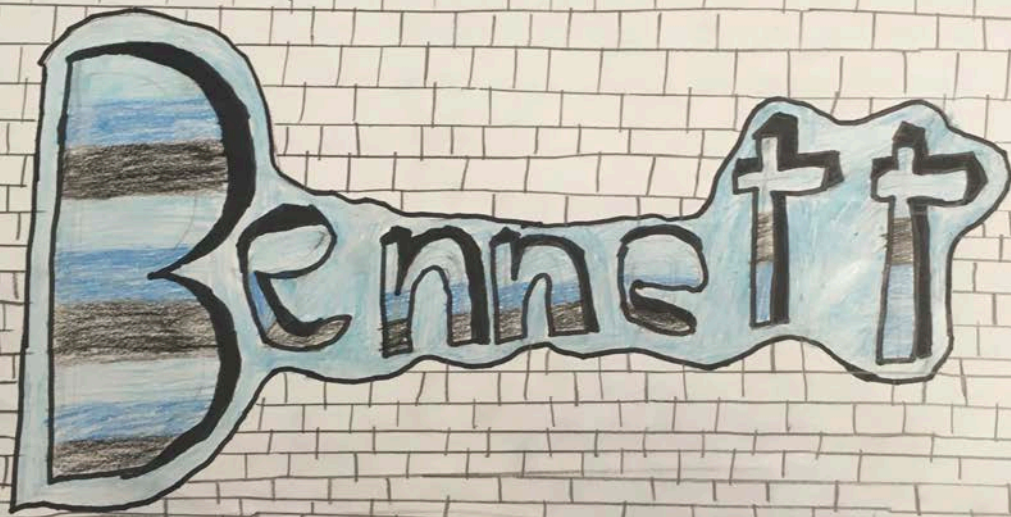


A hand-drawn piece of graffiti on a piece of paper with a brick wall pattern. The word "Serenna" is written in a stylized, bubbly font. The letters are filled with a light blue color and have a thick black outline. The interior of the letters is decorated with horizontal stripes of light blue, pink, and purple. The background is a grid of light pink bricks with black outlines. There are several small, circular, spoked wheel-like decorations scattered across the wall. Some of these wheels have black lines extending downwards, ending in small black teardrop shapes, resembling hanging ornaments or lights.

Serenna

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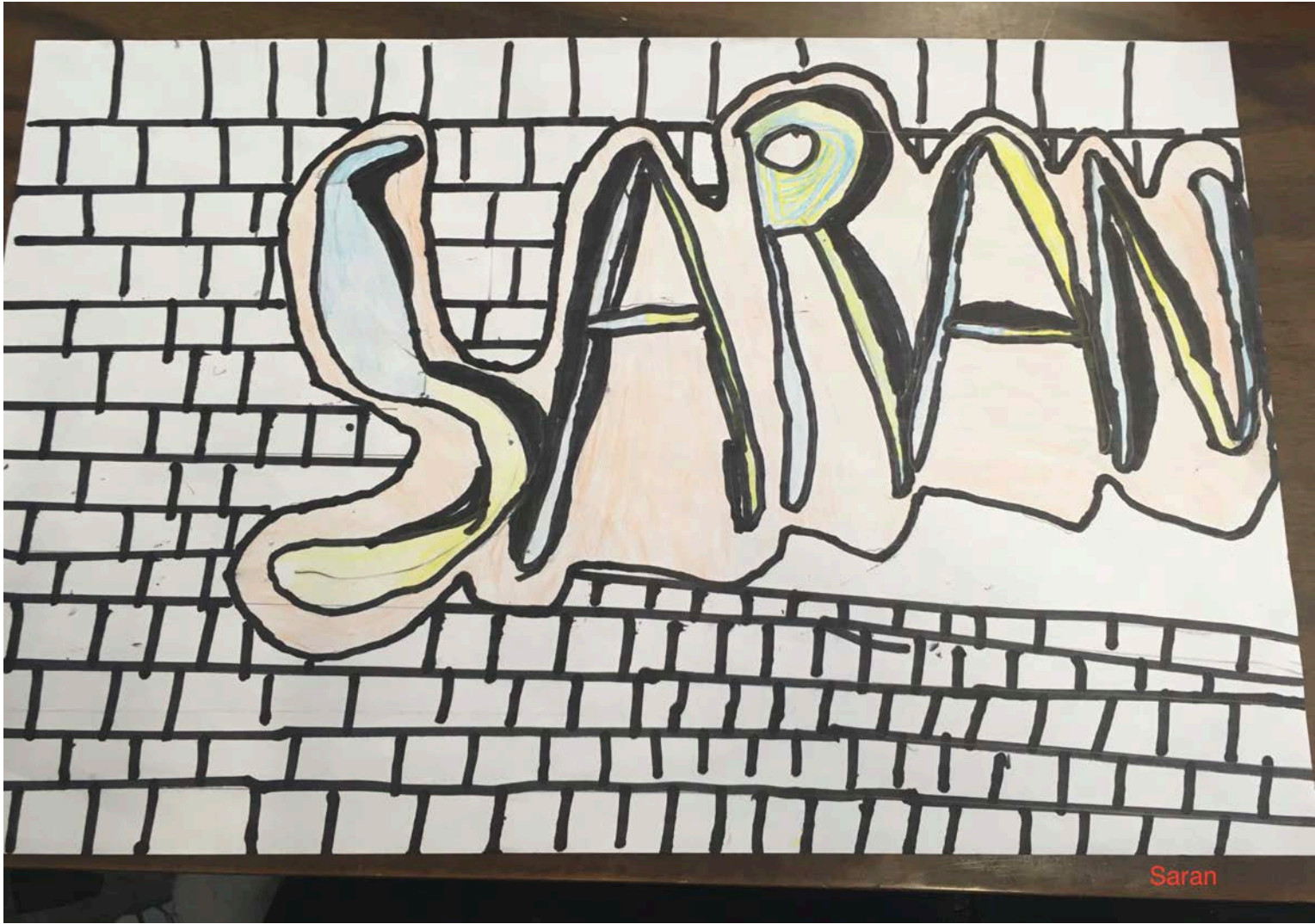




Bennett

A hand-drawn illustration of the name "Bennett" in a stylized, bubbly font. The letters are filled with a light blue color and outlined in black. The background of the entire drawing is a pattern of light gray bricks with dark gray mortar lines. The letter 'B' contains a landscape scene with a blue sky, a body of water, and a brown shoreline. The final 't' contains two white crosses. The drawing is on a piece of white paper placed on a dark brown wooden surface.

Bennett





Grady

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## What makes a hero?

By Temi Adewuyi

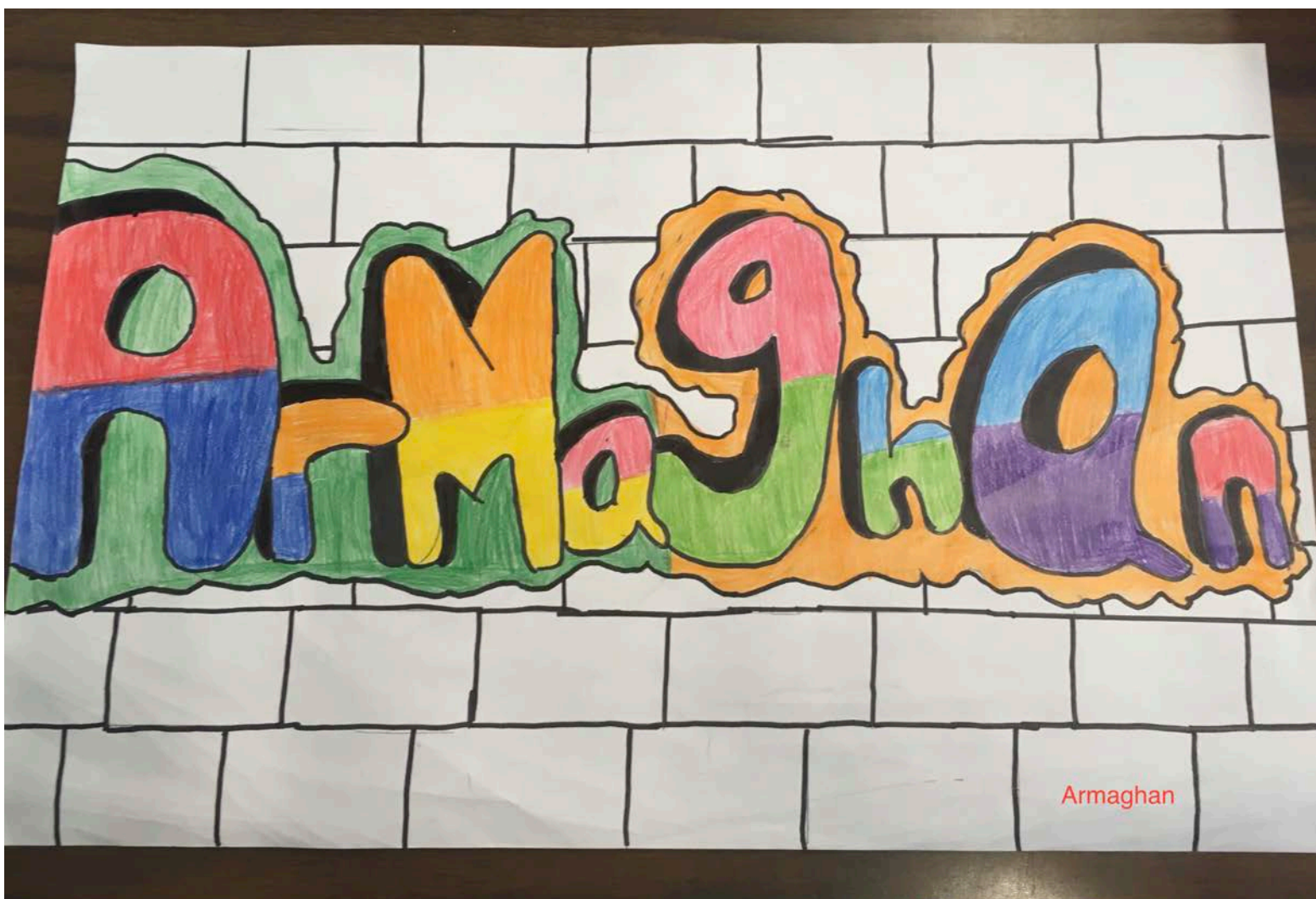
People have felt like the superheroes we grew up with relied on their superpowers and it seems like they were dependent on them to save people and do good deeds. A hero or heroine, however, should be selfless when it comes to saving people's lives. Our local heroes, doctors, firefighters, etc are honored and recognized in many books, movies and tv shows. Avatar: The Last Airbender, Nancy Drew novels and Hercules are all good examples that heroes need to be selfless.

Avatar: The Last Airbender was a tv show based on a young, teenage boy named Aang, who had to restore balance and peace after the Fire Nation took over the world. The concept of the show was to express the spiritual and natural beliefs. A young boy having so much pressure on him, expected to do the right thing at all times. But not once did he ever think about himself and if he should just give up and live a normal childhood. He wanted to save the people he loved and everybody else. In this show, anybody could become a hero. Zuko, son of the Fire Lord (the main antagonist), managed to change his ways and give up his title to fight for good and follow his destiny.

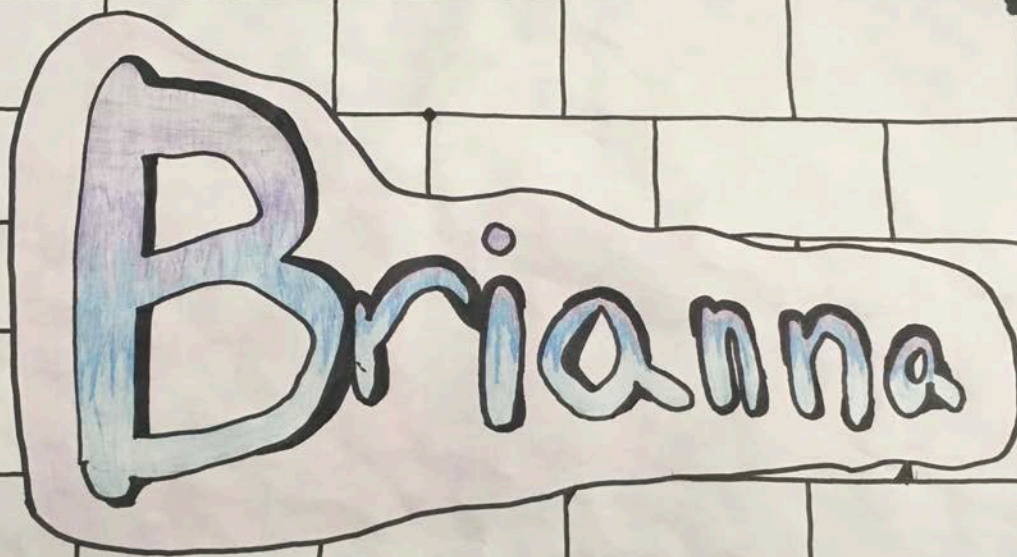
Doing a heroic act, could be shown in another way, like in Nancy Drew, Carolyn Keene's famous novel series. Nancy Drew, an eighteen-year old, detective/ "sleuth", helped people, by solving mysteries, and catching the villains who would cause trouble. Nancy Drew was a selfless character, who always put herself in danger, to help people. Heroic work shouldn't only consider saving lives, it must always include helping people. "Delivering justice, it's my duty", a quote said by Nancy Drew in the second book, The Secret of the Hidden Staircase. This signifies Nancy's sole purpose as a hero: delivering justice. For example, in the third volume of the Nancy Drew series: The Bungalow Mystery, she helps a young girl, Laura from being robbed of her inheritance.

Hercules, the movie produced by Walt Disney Pictures in 1997, focuses on young Hercules, who was born with super strength. Years later, he discovers his origin and aims to rejoin his parents (Zeus and Hera) in Olympus. Zeus tells Hercules that in order to return to Olympus, he has to become a "true hero". This leads to Hercules seeking training from Phil, a satyr known for training legendary heroes. He travels to Thebes and begins saving the townsfolk from vicious monsters. He defeats many monsters and becomes famous all over Greece, yet Zeus said he was not a "true hero" yet. Meg, Hercules's love interest, sacrificed her life for him, when she saved him from a moving pillar. He decides to go to the Underworld to save her soul and sacrifice himself for Meg. As he saves Meg's soul, Hercules becomes a god, therefore, a "true hero". "A true hero isn't measured by the size of his strength but by the strength of his heart: a quote from the movie. Hercules's act of selflessness proved he was a true hero.

Throughout history, heroes had to dedicate their time, risk their lives, and do whatever it takes to help. Local, fictional, and non-fictional heroes have always had to be selfless when it comes to helping and saving lives. In the Avatar, Aang had to give up his childhood and risk his life. Nancy Drew devoted her time to delivering justice and always doing what is right. Hercules was willing to sacrifice himself for someone and that is what made him a true hero. Heroism requires selflessness, in numerous situations. To be a hero is already a huge act of selflessness and in this generation, even the tiniest bit of selflessness can make a difference.



Armaghan



A hand-drawn illustration of the name 'Brianna' in a stylized, bubbly font. The letters are colored with a gradient of light blue and purple. The name is enclosed within a light pink, irregular, cloud-like shape. The entire drawing is set against a background of a grid of light gray squares, resembling a brick wall, with black outlines for the bricks.

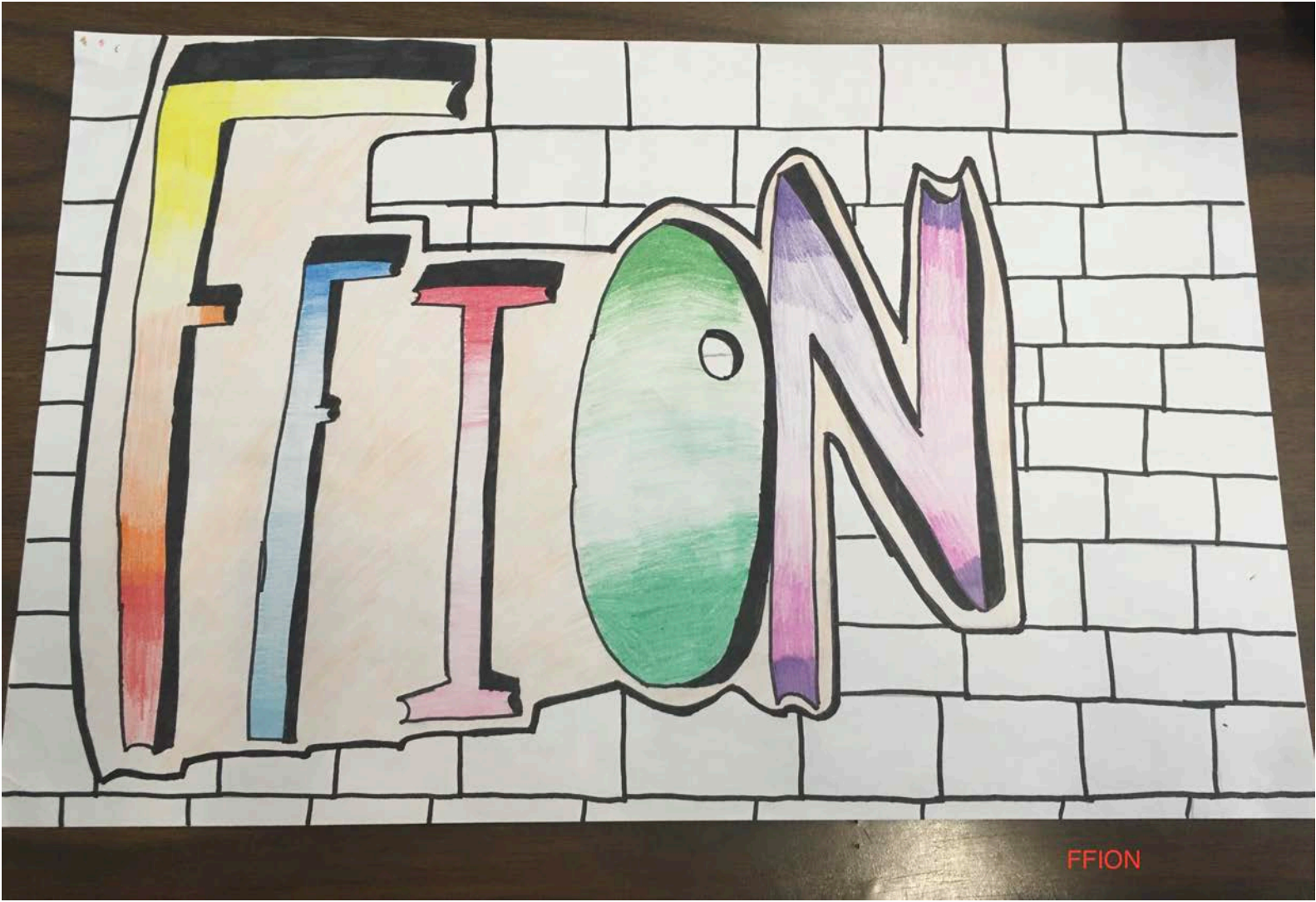
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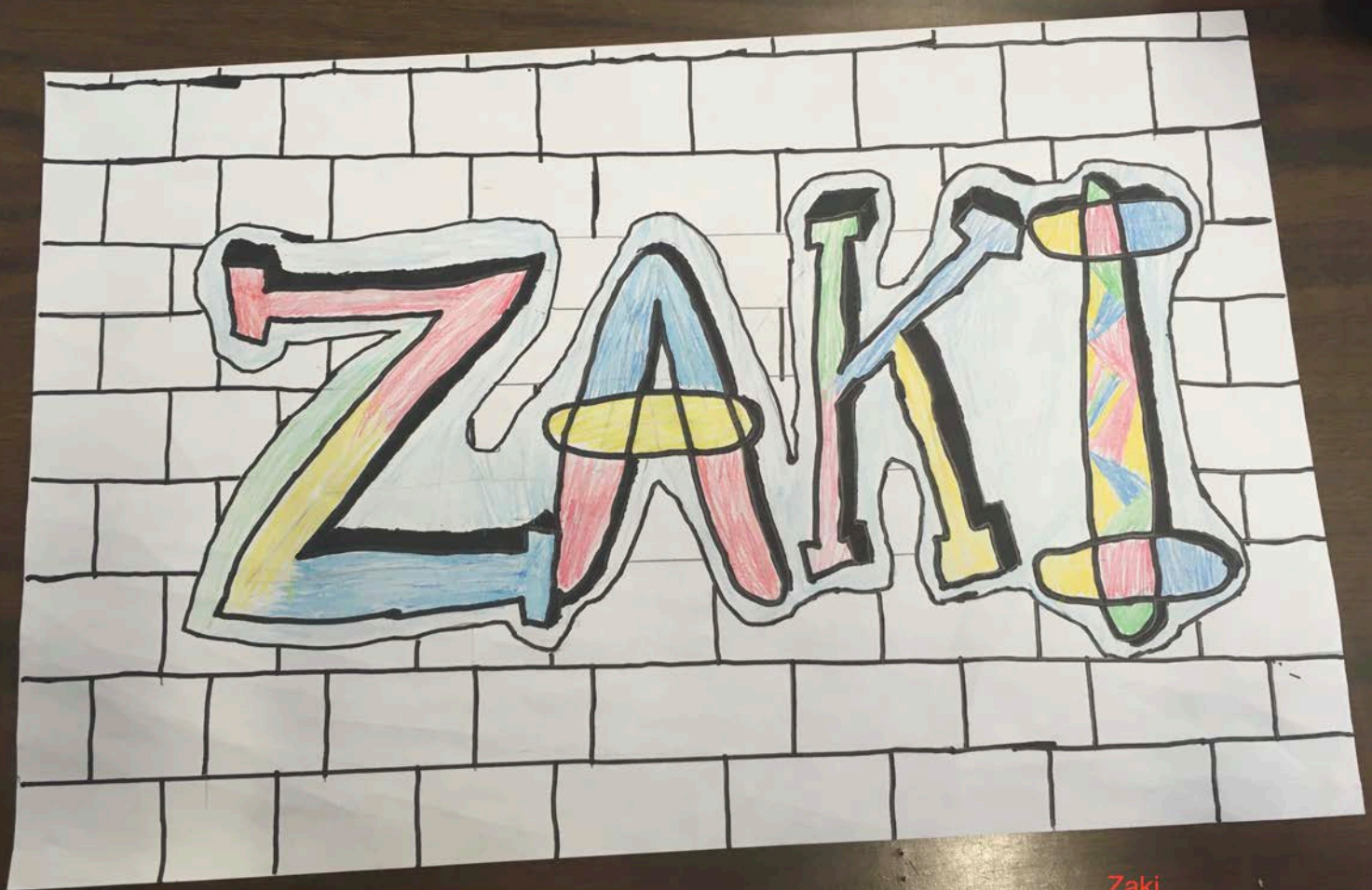
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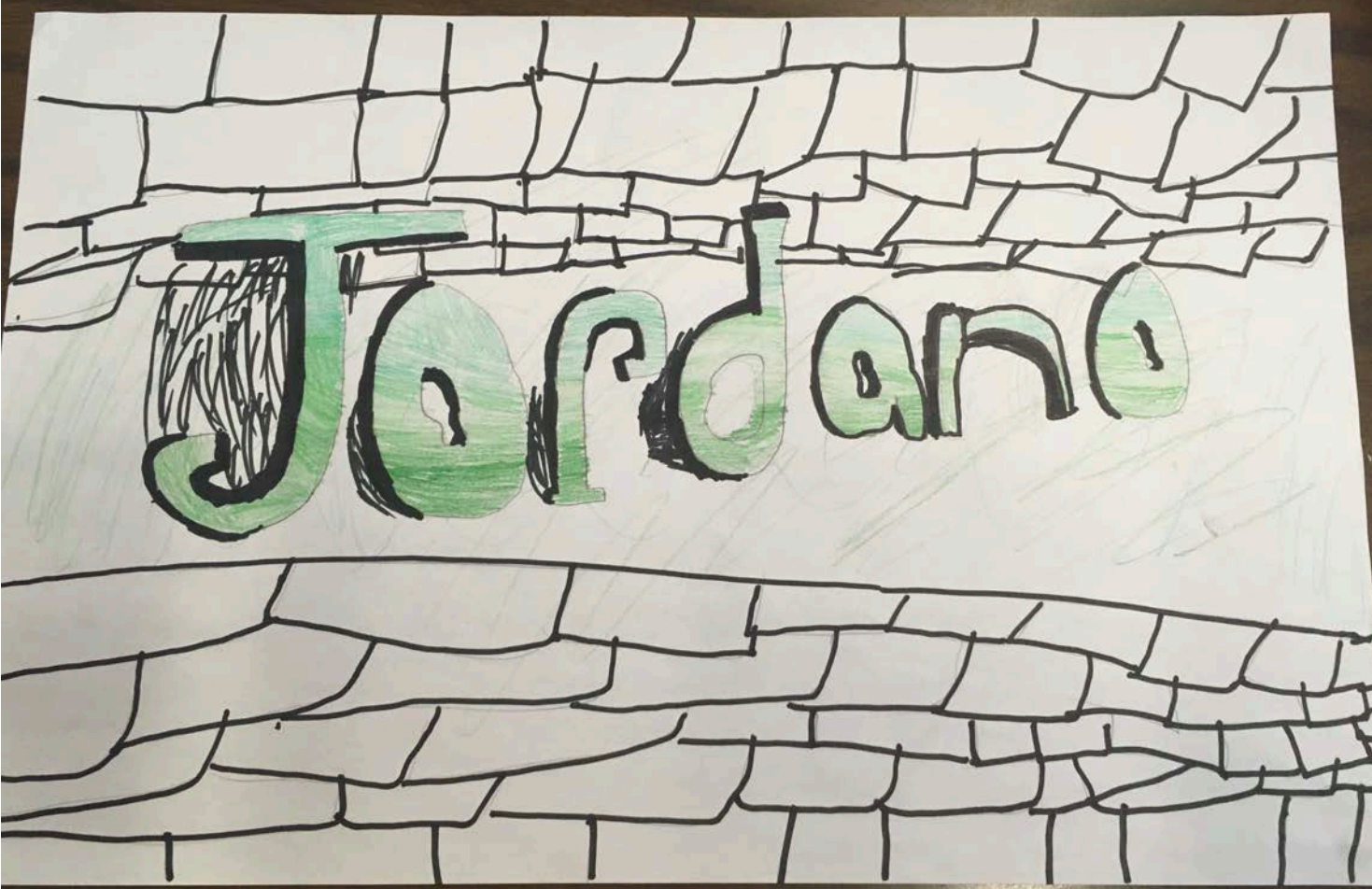
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