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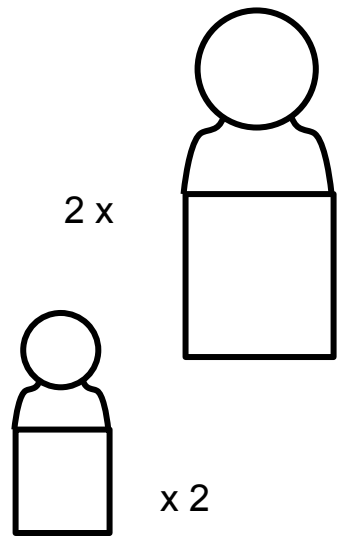
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Typically, these sculptural toys are made out of soft wood, but we are going to design, sculpt and paint ours with ceramic materials. First, you will need to arrive at a concept and designs for that concept. **Sculpture is 3-dimensional, so your designs need both a front view and a back view.** Here's what I expect:

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2. Design a front view and a back view for your matryoshka.
3. On the next page in your sketchbook, repeat step 1, but this time, make the designs half the size so they would fit within the larger matryoshka design.



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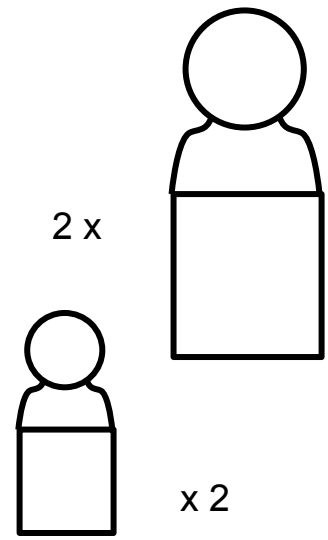
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- 4. One of your designs must have a human face- in realistic proportion. Don't worry, we'll go over how to draw faces in two weeks, so you can correct your design then. Just try today.
- 5. Add a color scheme to all four of your designs- full color. Eventually, we'll paint these things, so color is a must.
- 6. Be creative! These designs can be whatever you want! Think about the relationship between the two designs. You could create any pair of characters, athletes, superheroes & sidekicks, etc.



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