

student activity 1

Name _____ Date _____

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Look at the photos below and follow the following prompts:

Step 1: What do you notice about the angles, levels, lines of the dancer's movement? What do you notice about hands and posture? Are there any words or feelings that come to mind? Use the space under each photo to write three words for what you notice.

Step 2: Imagine that each pair of photos told a story. How could you make a connection between them? Use the words and feelings you wrote down to help you form a sentence or phrase that tells a story for the two pictures.



Example

Step 1:

Power

Determined

Flight

Energizing

Striving

Giving

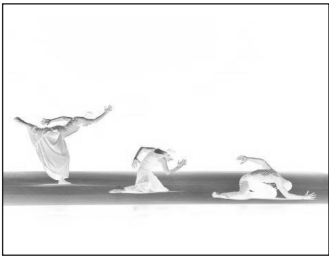
Set One

Step 1:

Step 2:

Step 2:

It looks like the dancers on the right are giving power to the dancer on the left. They struggled so he can soar.



Set Two

Step 1:

Step 2:

Set Three

Step 1:

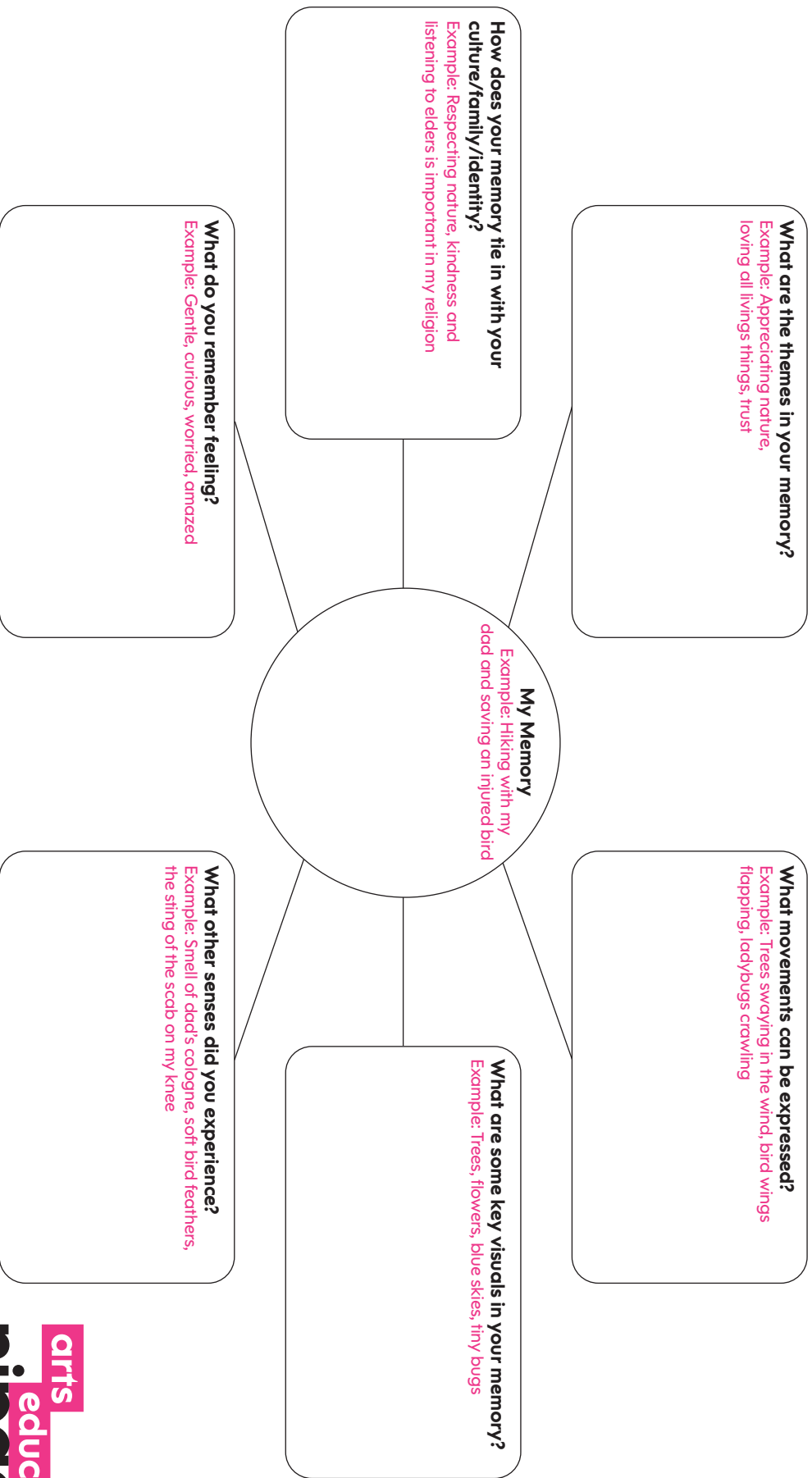
Step 2:

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Think of one of your most powerful childhood memories — especially one that relates to your identity, family or culture. Use the chart below to write or draw any words, movements or images that connect with your memory.



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