

Now Can You Tell?



This is Max. Max
has his own
sketchpad, and Max
likes to make art.
'Guess the thing I
drew!' says Max.
'No one can ever
tell!'





Max grips his art tool.
He makes a big round
shape, then both little
round shapes on top.

'Follow me now,' says
Max. 'I bet no one
can tell yet.'

Wow! Both eyes
blink up at us. Is it
a frog? Is it an
owl? 'Nope,' says
Max. 'Not a frog.
Not an owl. Keep
looking!'





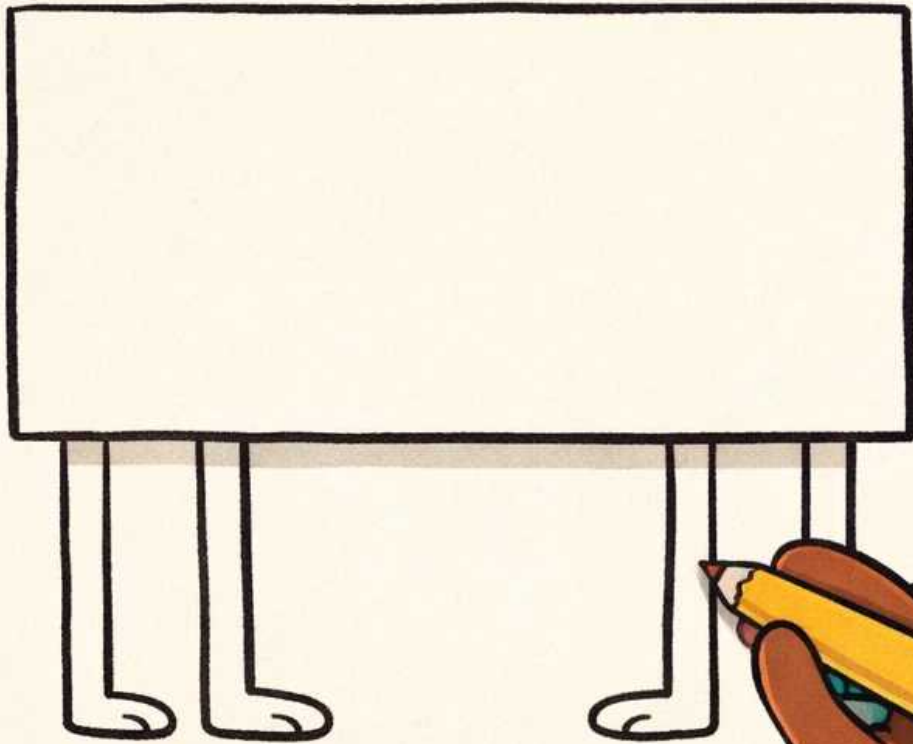
Max fills the big round shape in. He is slow and neat, and he keeps inside the lines. 'This part has to be perfect,' says Max.

Now Max makes a
box. A plain box.

A box with eyes?
That is so odd!

Max just grins a sly
grin. 'No one can
tell yet,' he says.





Below the box, legs grow down. Little feet sit at the ends.

'Both sides match,' says Max. 'See? So neat.' Max is proud.

Max peeks at his laptop screen. Then he adds a big wide grin **below** the black round shape.

Is it a cat? 'Nope,' says Max. 'Not a cat!'





Max holds his art tool up high. His eyes shine.

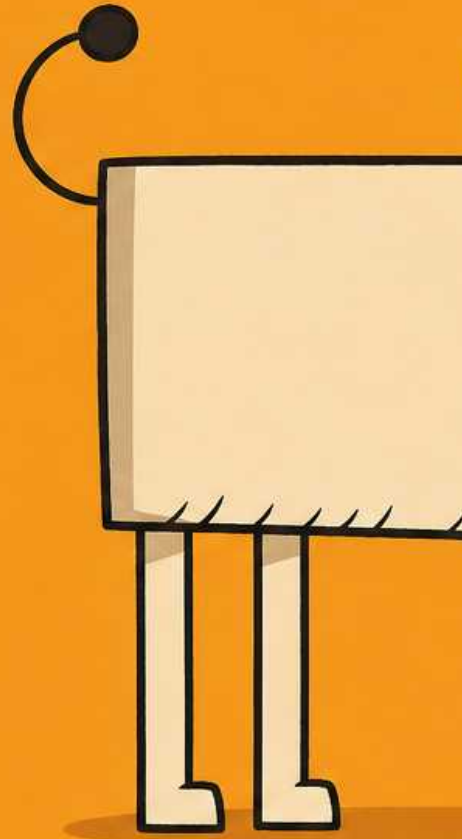
'One more bit,' he calls, 'and then I will show it. Get set now!'

A tail! The tail sticks
up, and the tail
wags.

Wag, wag. Bow wow!

Now we can tell.

Just one pet wags
like that.



'It is a dog!' yells Max.

Wow, a happy dog!

It has a big black nose
and a goofy grin. See
the little lines? That is
its coat.

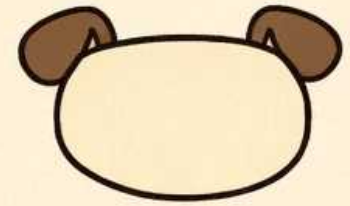
'This is my best dog
ever,' says Max.



'Now follow my art steps,' says Max. Start with a round shape.

Add a box, then legs and a tail.

Then hold it up and say, 'Guess the thing I drew!'





Now Can You Tell?

Max loves to draw, but he never draws the ordinary way. He starts with simple round shapes and boxes, then adds legs, a grin, and one more surprising bit. Can you guess what he's drawing before the big reveal? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 10: ow as in snow & cow), this book practices words like 'now', 'wow', 'follow', 'grow', 'show'.

Phonics Focus: <ow>

below, bow, down, follow, grow, now, owl, own, show, slow, wow

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