

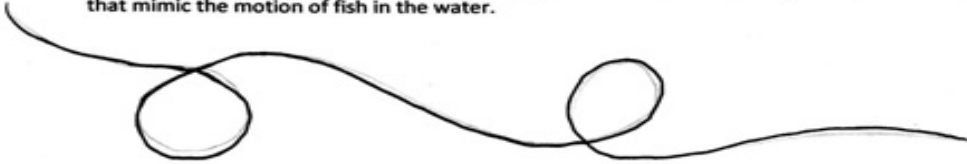
### Directions for drawing Koi

**Step 1**

Look at the samples of koi in the handouts provided

**Step 2**

Draw a curved line that loops over itself. Make sure to draw the large loops and gentle sweeping curves that mimic the motion of fish in the water.



**Step 3**

Draw tear drop shapes along the curved line. The point of each tear drop must be exactly on the line. The widest part of the tear drop must also fall exactly on the line. This means that the tear drops you are drawing will curve and twist as they follow the path of the line. You may overlap the tear drops



**Step 4**

The dorsal fin of each koi must be drawn along the original curved line. This curved line represents both the spine of the fish and the current of the water.



**Step 5**

Finish your koi picture by adding eyes, tail, fins and scales and any other details you can think of. Be as creative and inventive as possible.

