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This Rainbow Name Poem Project was born out of the need for a classroom bursting with cheery color for open house. Since the first time I tried this project, I have loved doing it year after year. It is wonderful to see which words the parents choose for their children. The children LOVE to see their rainbow name-bow hanging in the room! This project gets ALL KINDS of compliments and attention from passersby too which is always fun at work!

I have always taught younger grades, so I make this name poem a home project for the parent and the student to do together. I encourage the use of a dictionary in my parent letter (included) because it brings out some unique words that aren't over used by every student!

If you have older students that have a great vocabulary and are familiar with dictionary skills, I included a graphic organizer for students to complete in class. For the younger students, the parents will fill in the name poem and return it to school.

The teacher makes the rainbow cloud display as the student poems are returned to school.

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Dear Parents,

For a home activity, we are asking you to sit down with your child and fill out a name acronym. Take each letter in your child's name and write down a descriptive word about your child.

Here is an example:

Erica
E—Enthusiastic
R—Rowdy
I—Interested
C—Creative
A—Artistic

Use of the dictionary is greatly encouraged as some letters can be more difficult than others! Also, you may find words that match your child's personality that you would have never thought of! Try to limit your descriptive words to just one word and not a phrase if possible.

These Name Poems will be proudly displayed! Thank you for your help. Return the name poems on or before _____

Thank You

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My Name

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Making the Project:

If you are lucky enough to have parent help or volunteer this is the perfect job for them!

Each rainbow cloud consists of two large white paper clouds, scrap/recycled paper for the filler, and rainbow colored strips of construction paper cut 2X8. If you want to scale it down for your classroom or even make it larger that is completely fine! Every classroom is different! Just adjust your cloud and colored paper strip size.

Basic Directions:

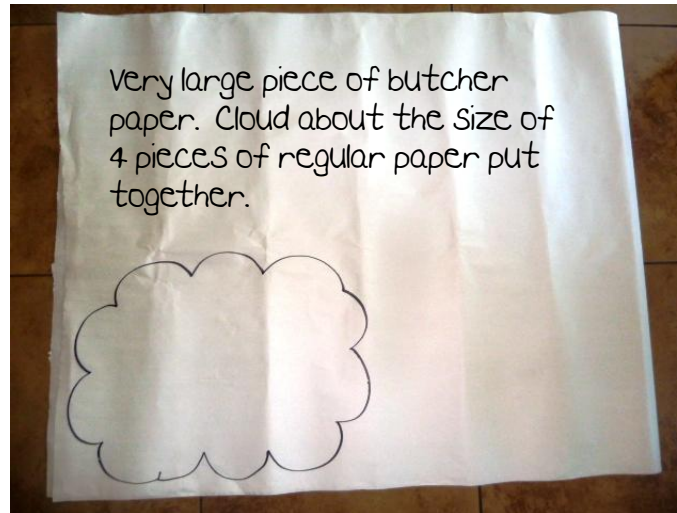
- Write the student name in thick black sharpie centered across the front cloud.
- Staple or glue the back cloud on the top and sides but leave the entire bottom open.
- Write the student's descriptive words in rainbow order on the colored strips and attach them along the bottom as you glue or staple the cloud together. Hang by yarn, fishing line, or any way you are allowed by the fire Marshall!
- Enjoy the oohs and aaahs of your students and faculty!

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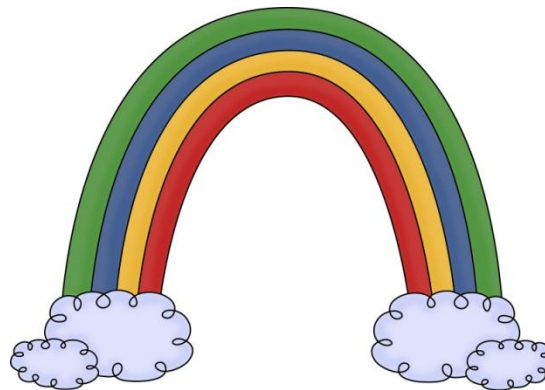
Supplies:



Fold butcher paper to get identical clouds on the front and back.



Cut out 2 identical clouds per student.



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Staple or glue around the top and sides of the cloud. Then fill with crumpled recycled paper.



Staple or glue the words in the bottom as you attach the cloud.

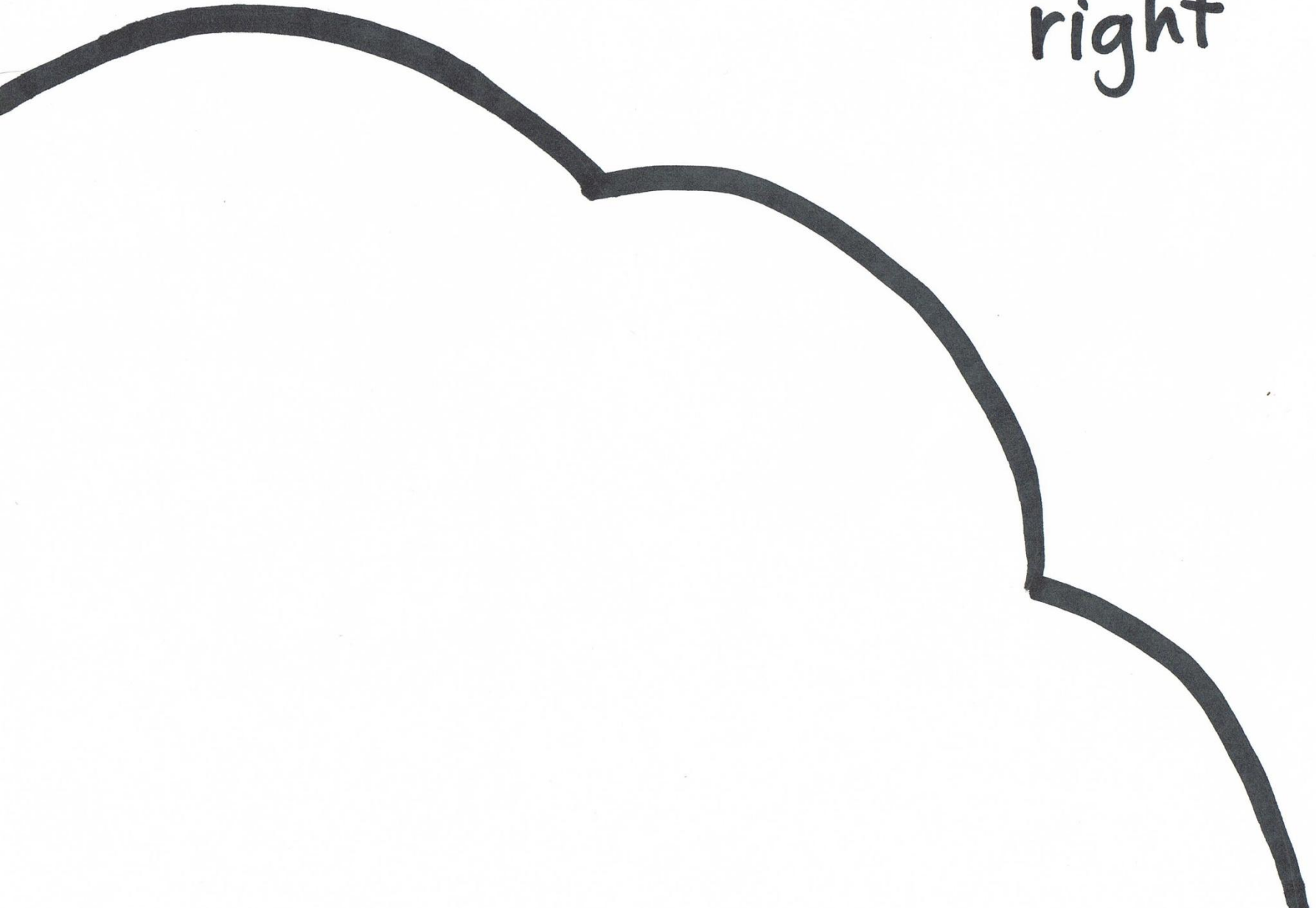


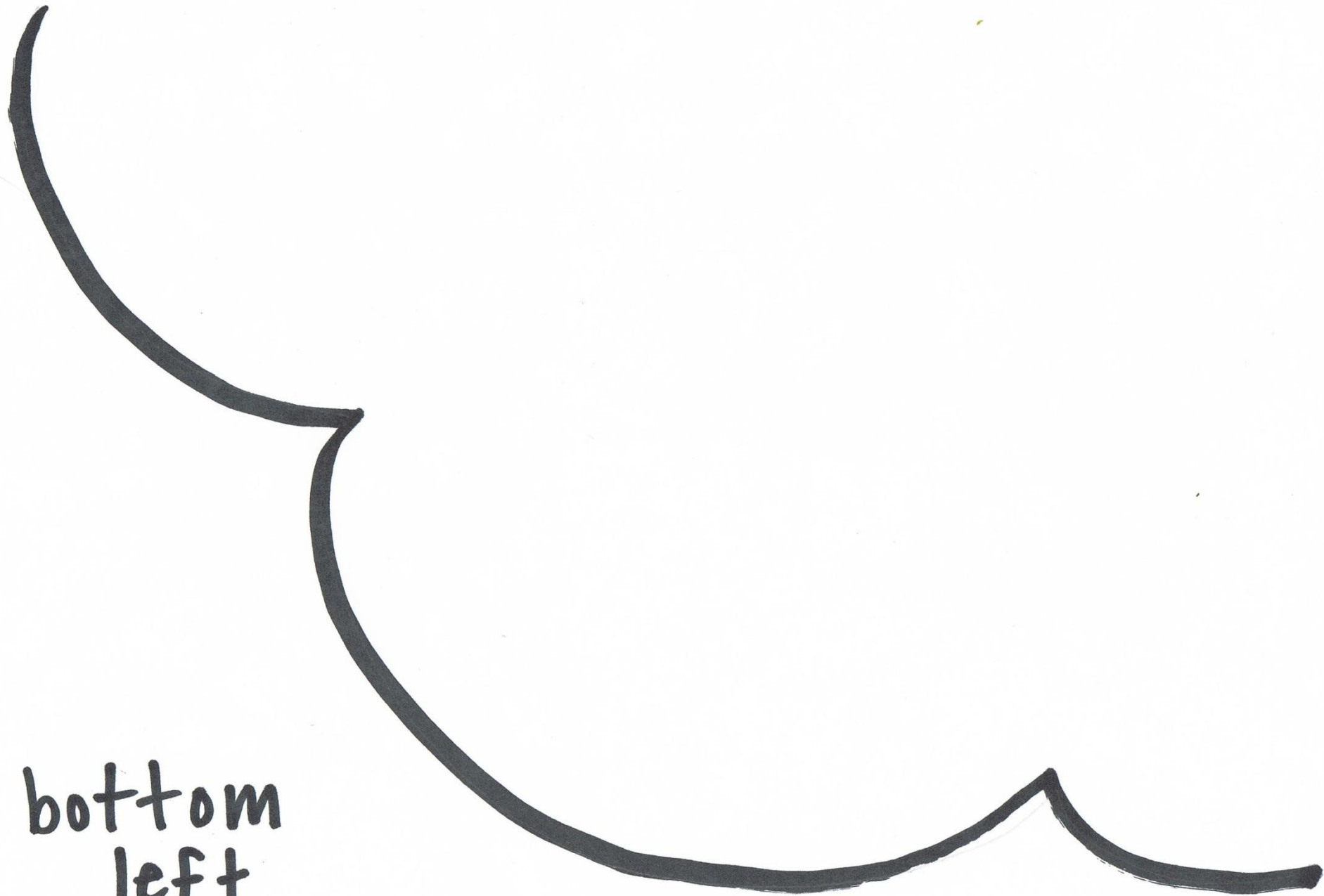
Hang from the ceiling or clothesline. I have even stapled to a bulletin board when desperate!

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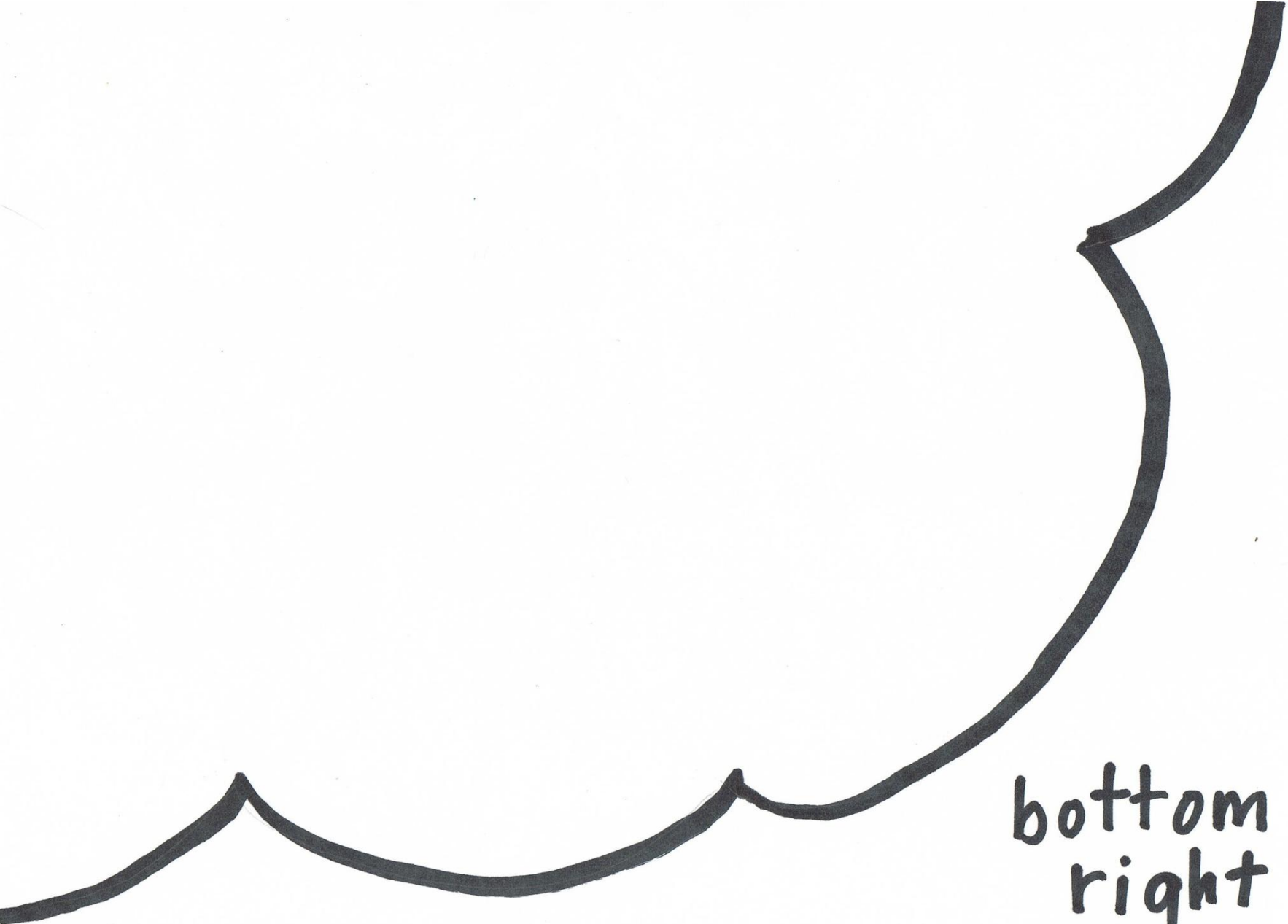


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