

African Art

Today we will be:
**Exploring African
sunsets.**



**What is this?
Have you seen
this happen?
Why might
artists like this
scene?**



**It
is a picture of a
sun setting.**



**Artists and
photographers have
used sunset scenes in
their art work. Sunsets
are beautiful sights with
many different colours.
What colours can you
see in this sunset?**



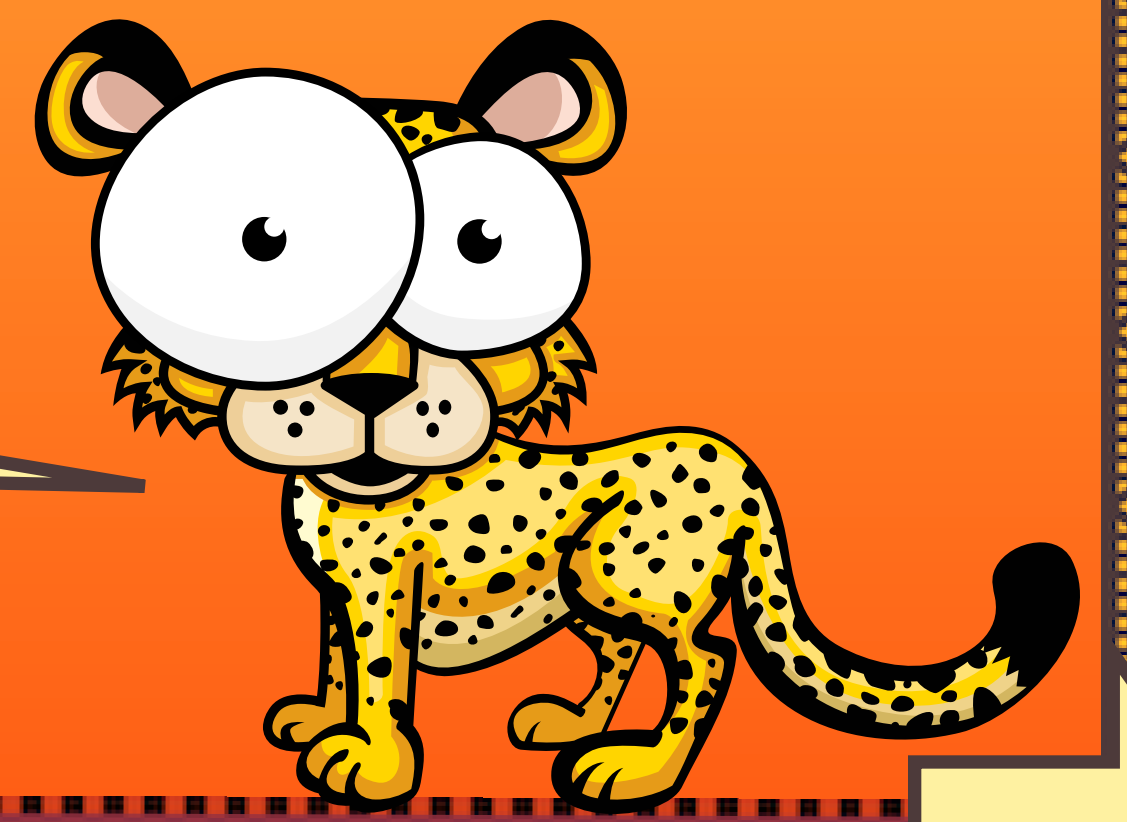


**Can you see
sunsets in Africa?
Would they look the
same as the ones you
see in your
country?**

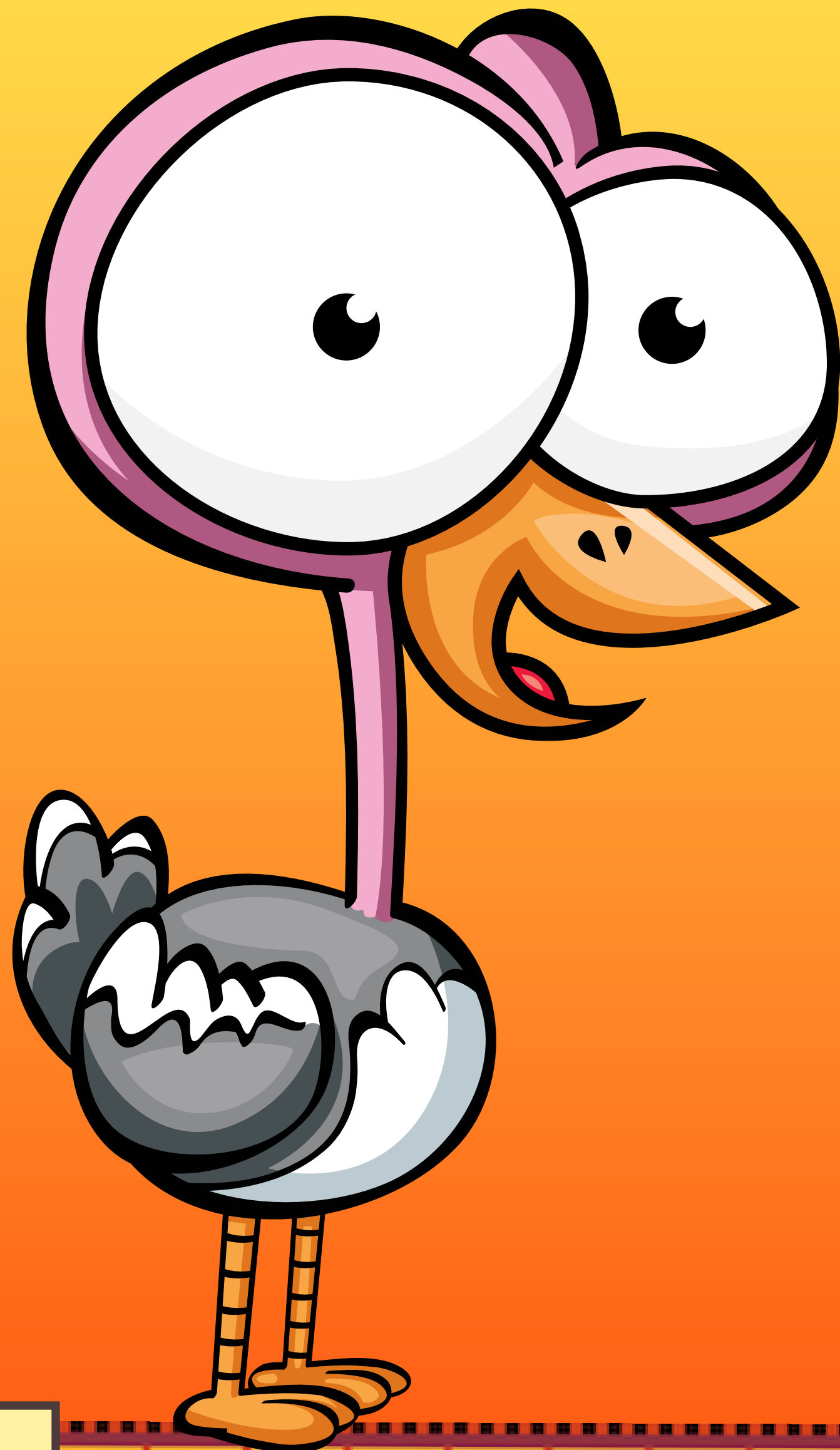
Many of the countries in Africa have vast open spaces. This means the sunsets are very easy to see as no buildings or structures get in the way. Many artists come to Africa to capture and re-create the sunsets.



**Wow!
You can really see the sun in this sunset.**



What is a silhouette?



This



or this?



**This is a silhouette.
Did you guess correctly?**



A silhouette is a dark outline of an object/thing in front of a bright light. You can see silhouettes against a sunset.



**Let's
look at some
African sunsets with
silhouettes.
They are very
beautiful.**





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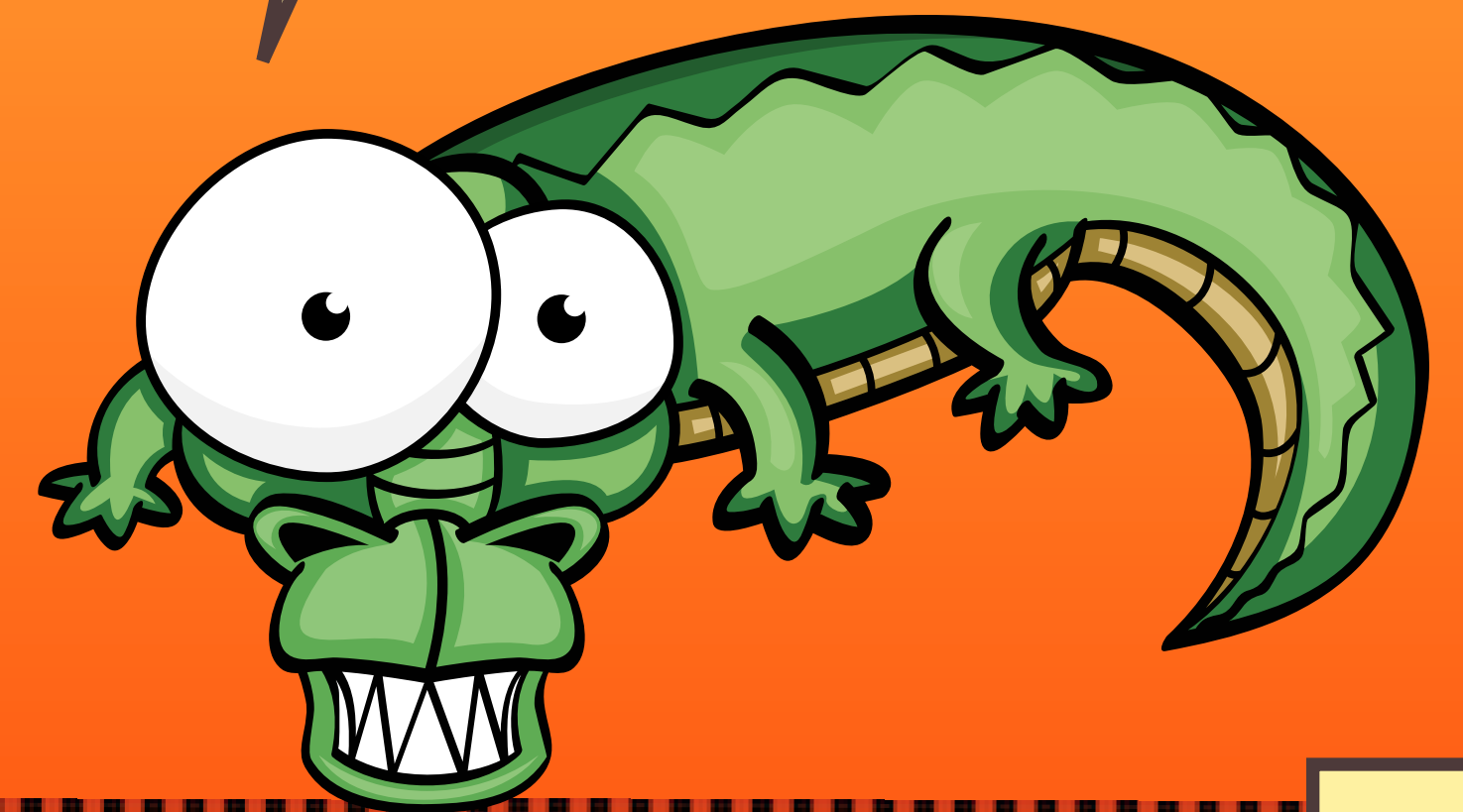


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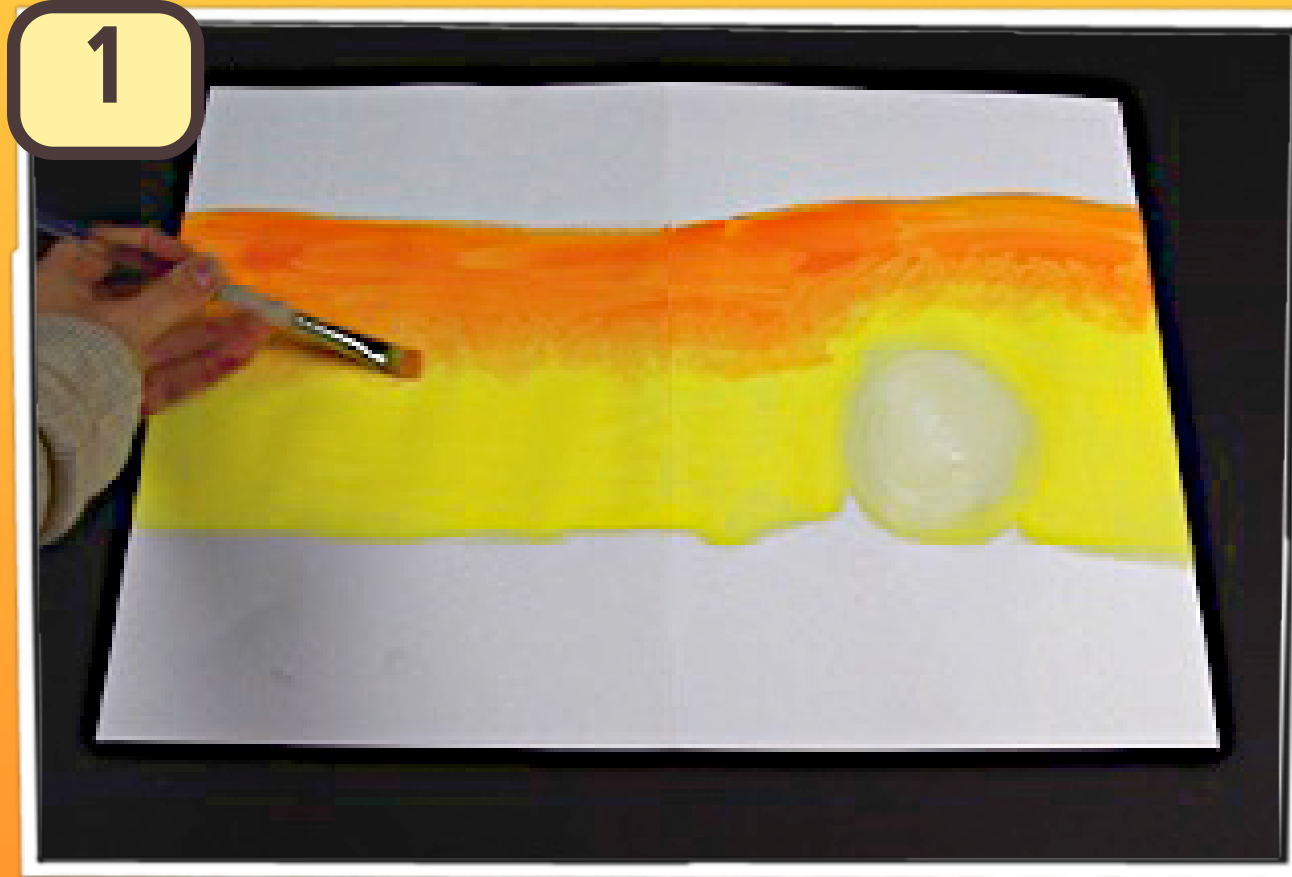




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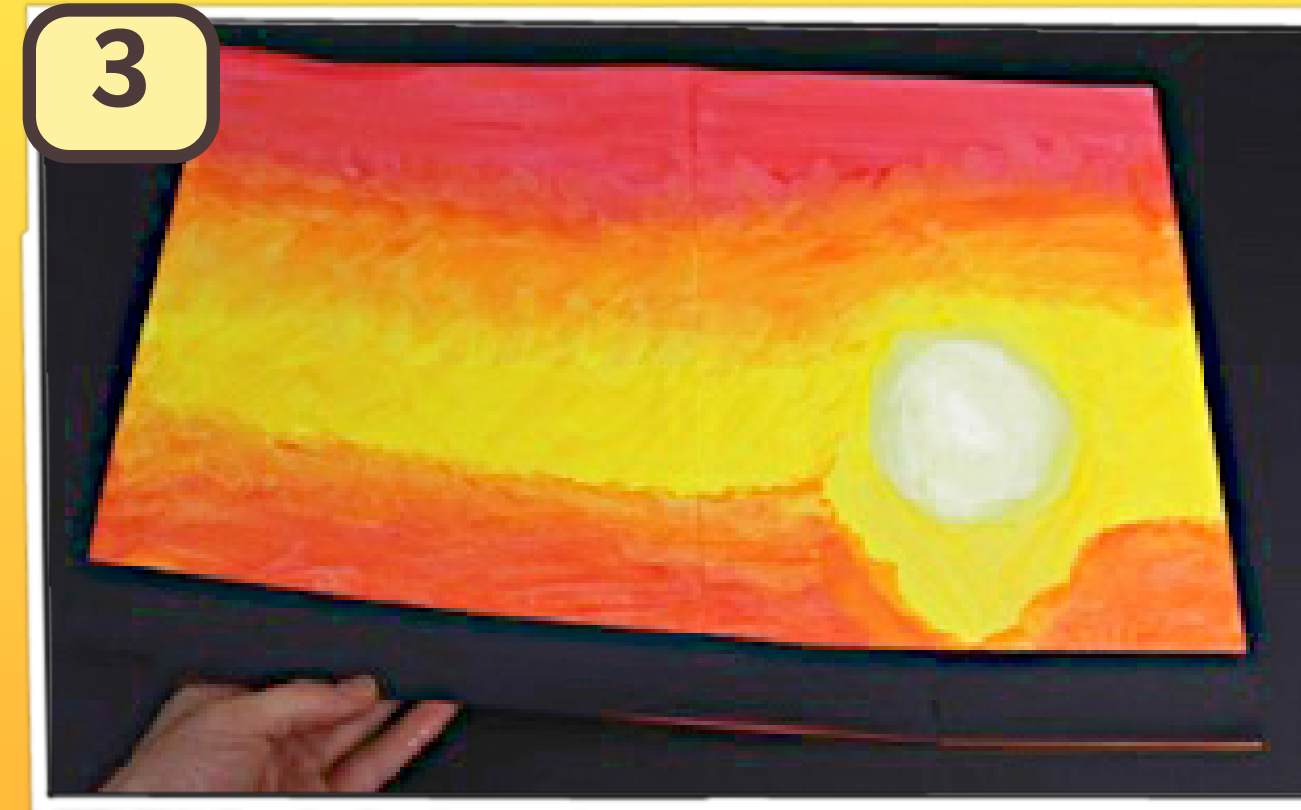
These steps show you how to make your own African sunset.



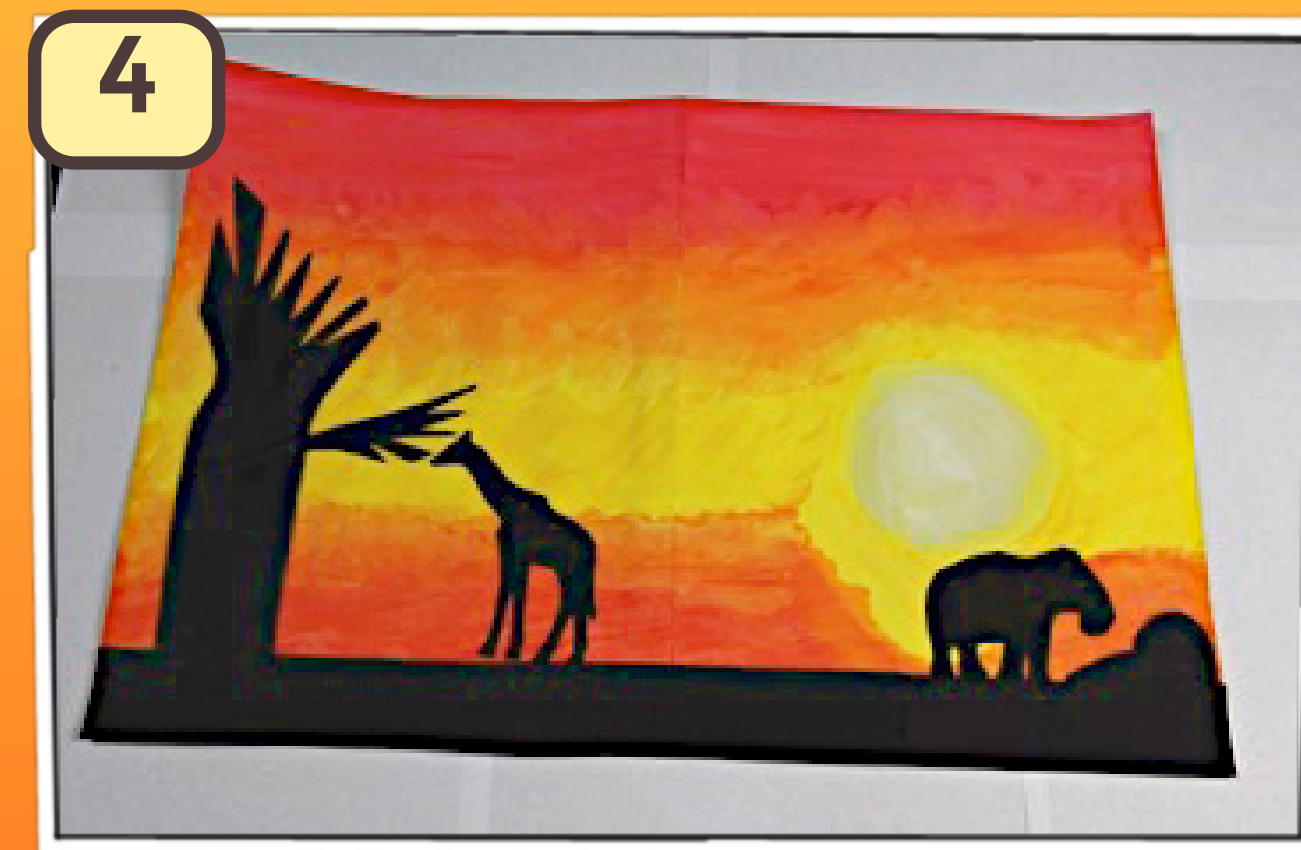
Paint a sun with white paint and yellow paint. Then paint yellow and orange strips across the page. Blend the paint with a dry paint brush.



Continue the above process with the red paint to the top of the page. Paint orange and red strips to the bottom of the page.



Once the paint is dry cut out a black strip of paper and glue it to the bottom of the painting.



Cut out or make some African silhouettes. Glue them to the painting in an African scene.



Remember:
Blend the paint in the sunset.
If there is white around the silhouettes you cut out, colour it in with black felt pen.

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Which of these colours would you use in a sunset painting and why? Discuss your reasons with a partner.



Hmmmm!
What a tricky
question.

