

## The Burning of Strathearn

In January 1716, hundreds of homes in Strathearn were burned by Jacobite troops. They targeted **Blackford, Auchterarder, Aberuthven, Dunning, Dalreoch, Muthill** and **Crieff**.

The Jacobites wanted to stop the government army at Stirling from marching north to attack them at Perth. Burning the towns would mean the army had no shelter or food.

But was there another reason?

Jacobite leaders had asked local people to join the army at Perth and bring horses, weapons and supplies for the soldiers. But they didn't get the support they wanted. Was this an act of revenge?

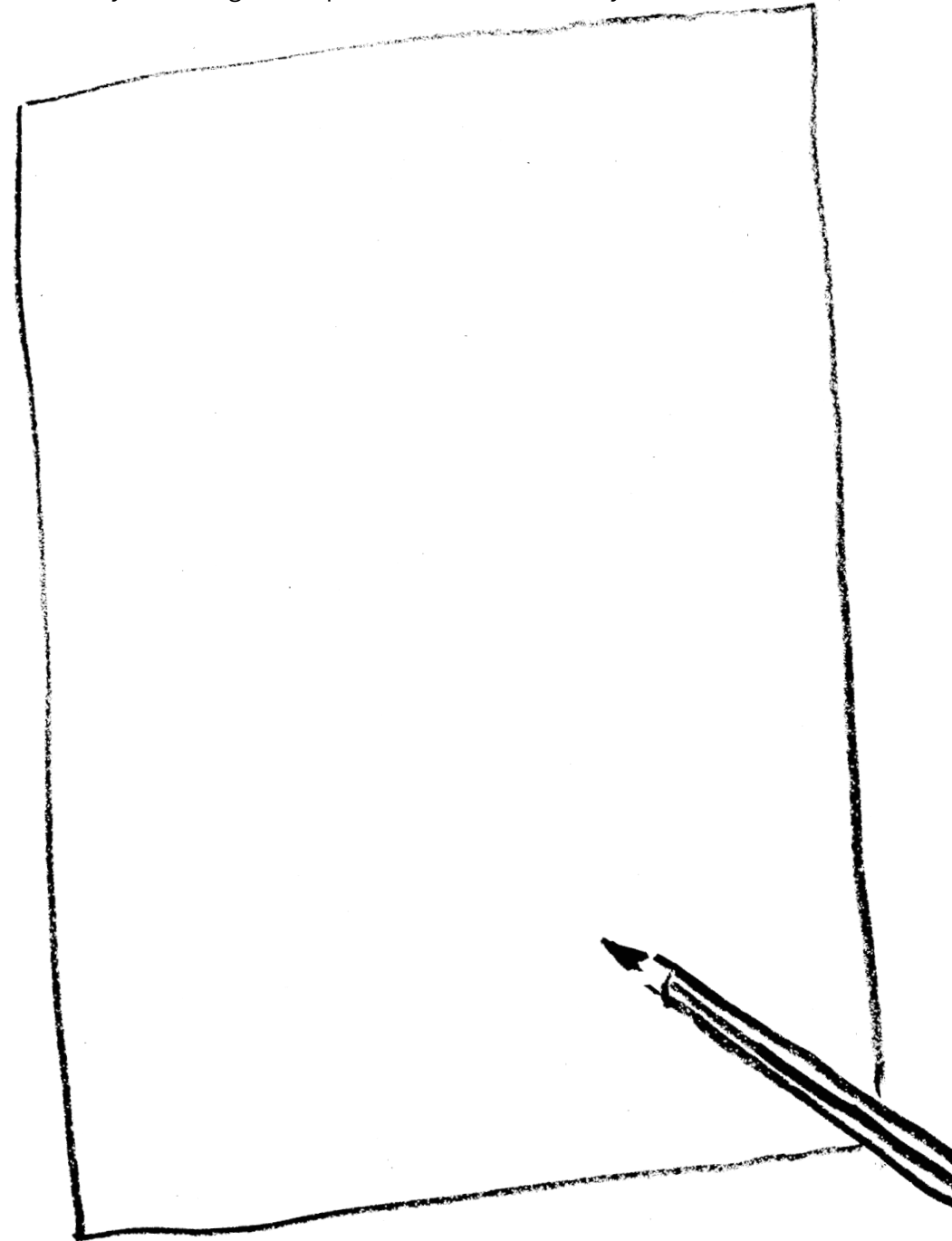
### What happened to the people of Strathearn?

Homeless, families were left to fend for themselves in the harsh winter, with snow lying three foot deep. Initially, some took refuge in their town's church, and others ran to the hills to shelter in the woods.



## Thoughts and scribbles

Jot down your thoughts or questions about the story.

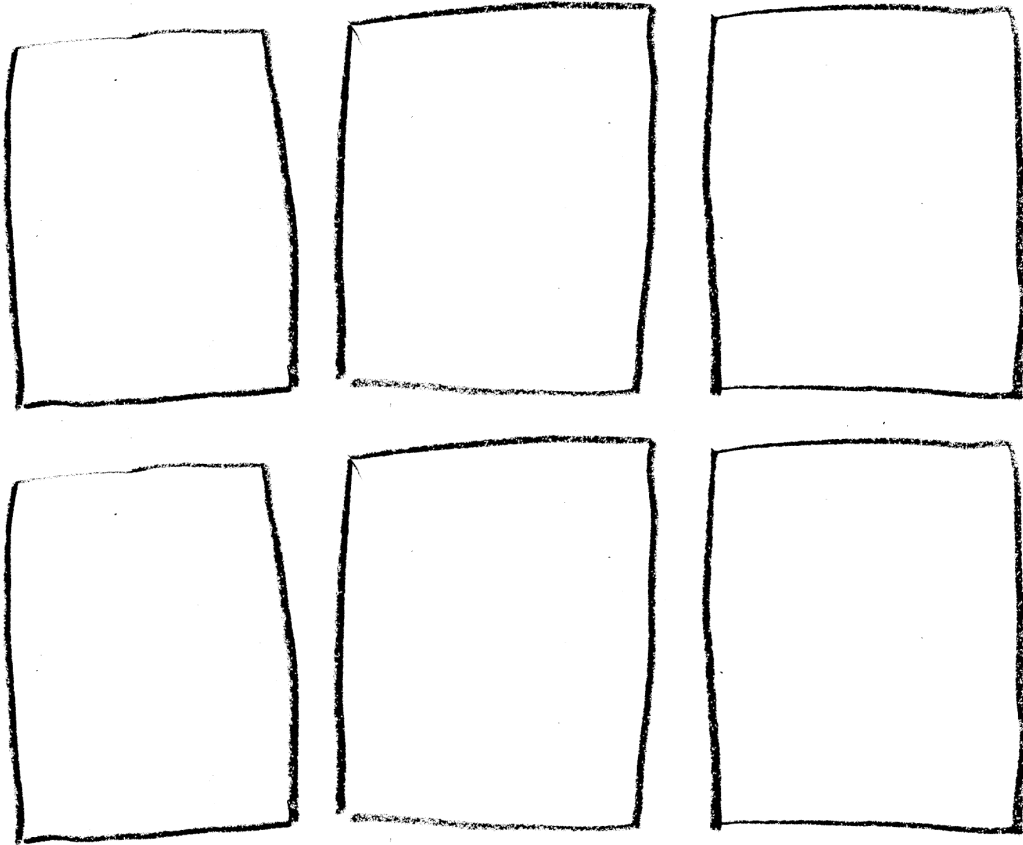


## Places

The Burning of Strathearn happened over 300 years ago.

Have a look around your town. Can you find any buildings that old?

Draw them!



from a distance

close up detail



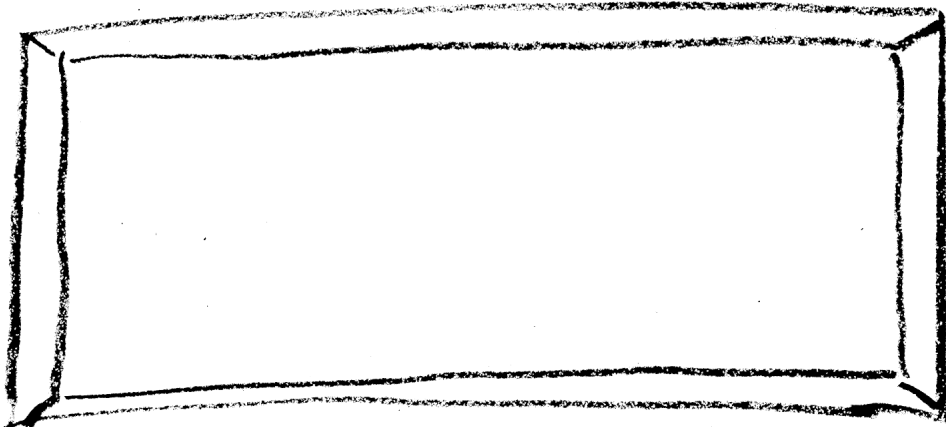
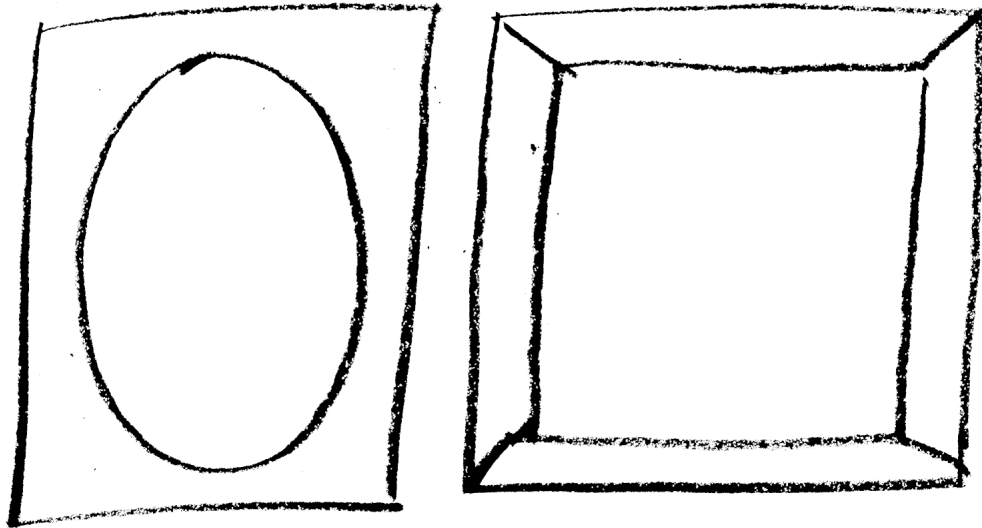
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about mistakes!

## People

This event took place before photography was invented, and it was mostly rich people that had their portraits painted.

This story happened to people just like us. Let's bring them to life.

Draw yourself, your family, friends, strangers.

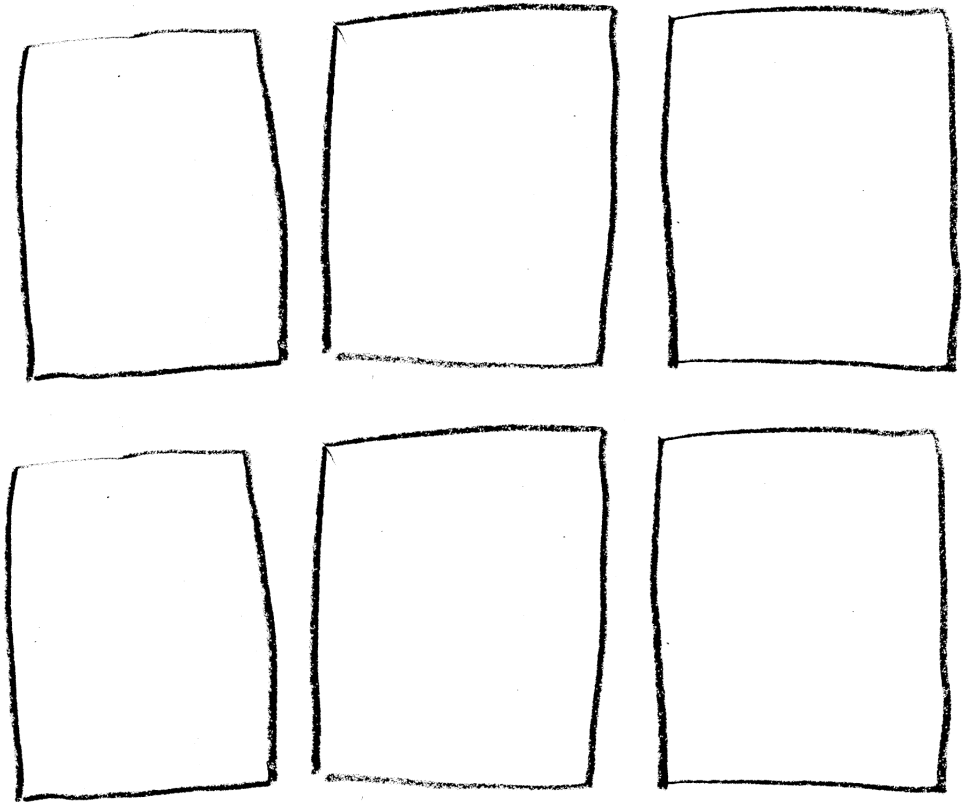


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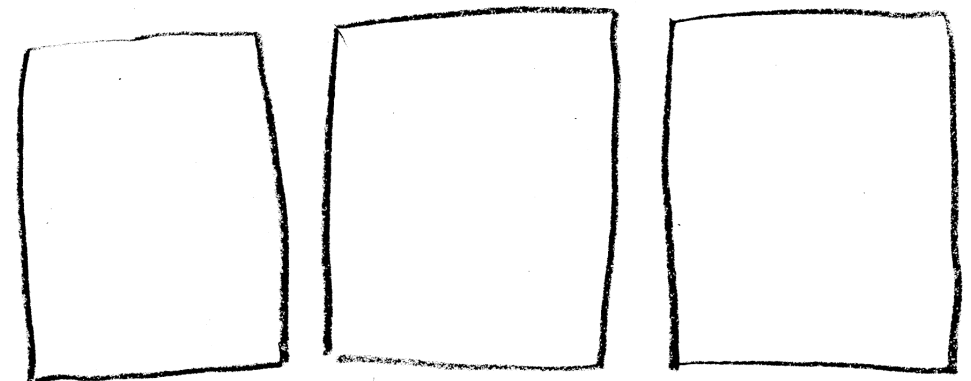
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How would you show someone is...



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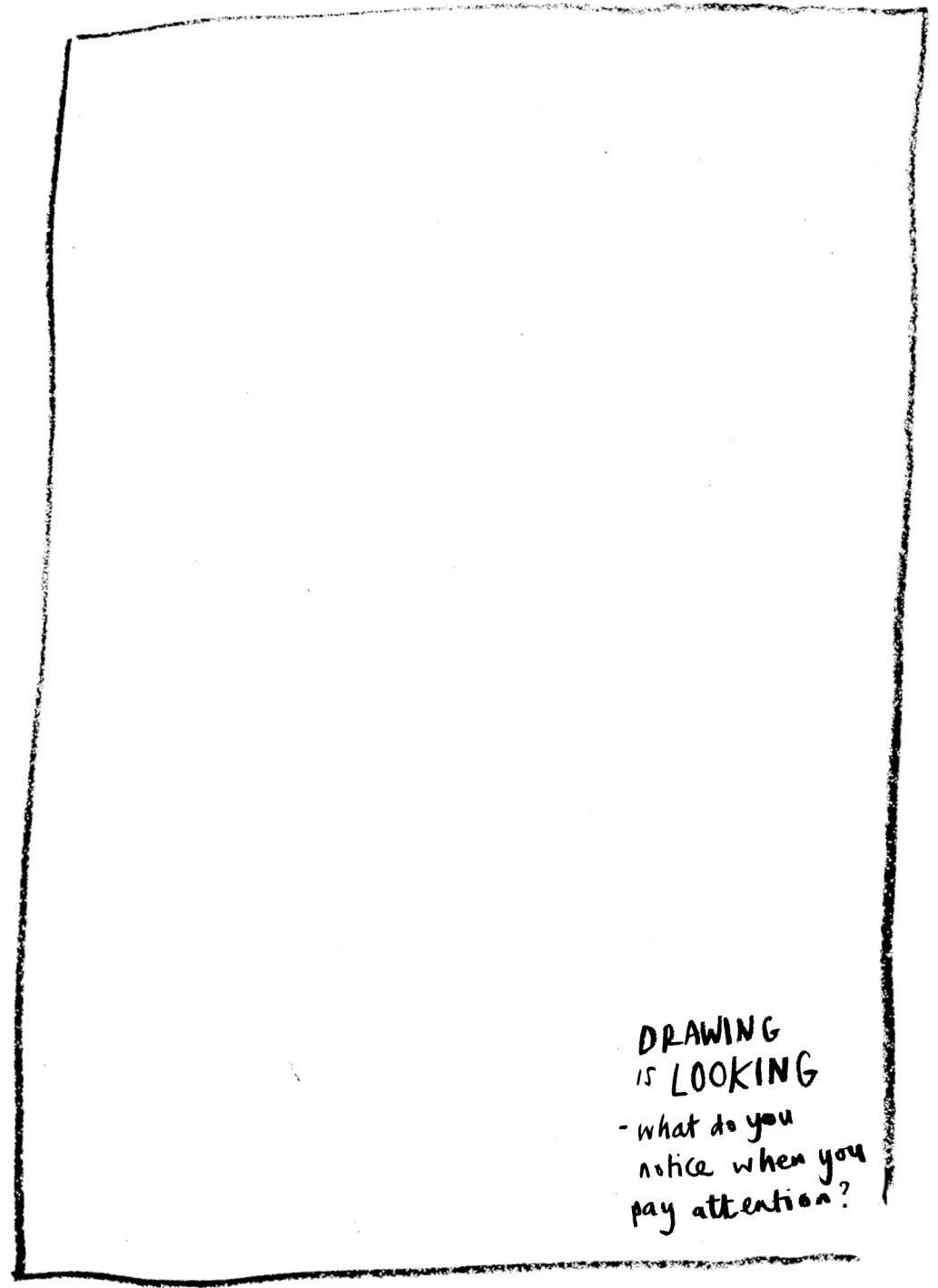
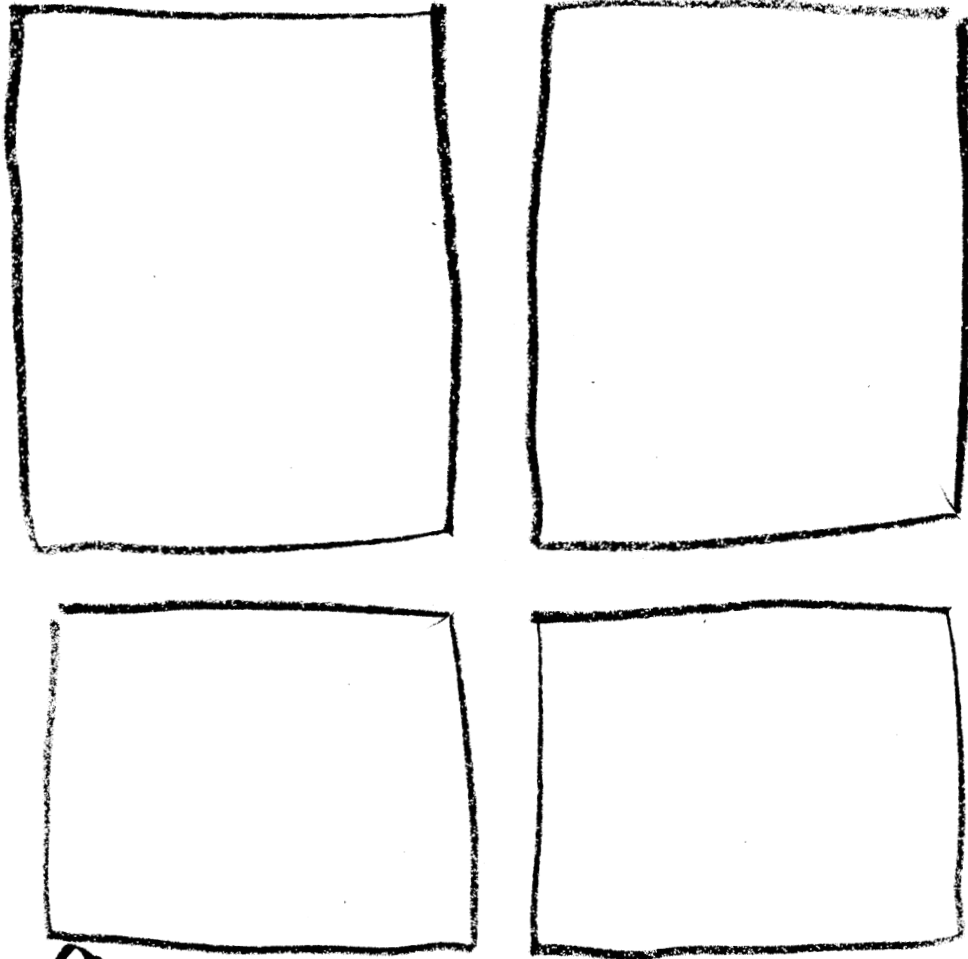
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## Views over Strathearn

Some families took shelter in the woods on the hills.

What do you think they would have seen? Find different views over your town/village.



DRAWING  
IS LOOKING  
- what do you  
notice when you  
pay attention?