AN ACTIVE, VISUAL ART'S PROCESS TO EXPRESS FEELINGS...

2. THE DRAWING METHOD
A PLAYFUL EXPERIENCE!

ACTIVITIES

FIRST...

Introduce Drawing as:

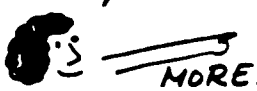
- Another way of "talking", but silently
- A means of expression used by many (point out that some people express themselves by talking, some by singing, some by dancing... some by drawing!)

CAUTION

Drawing should be presented to the child as an OPTION for expression, not as a required activity!

☆ Remember to use previous questions to help lead these activities: A QUESTION CAN BECOME A THEME FOR A DRAWING.

ACTIVITIES...

- Draw/write a book together
- Write journals with pictures
- Do a collective drawing - a MURAL
  - Murals tell a "collective story"
  - Murals develop/support teamwork
  - They feel "safer" for some children as opposed to individual art
    - * Teacher should do very little drawing
    - * Give the mural a "place of honor" in the classroom
    - * Allow children to tell teacher what to draw
    - * Make it accessible every day for viewing, additions, etc.
    - * Fill it in on an ongoing basis
    - * "Celebrate" it: use it to demonstrate getting through something tough, facilitate discussions about it, etc.
    - * Take photos/slides of it if/when "completed"

- Computer graphics