## Ocean Life Dioramas

Artists frequently use photographs for reference when they are creating artwork; such careful observation is the best way to learn how something looks. We looked at photographs of life on tropical ocean reefs and under Alaskan oceans to help us draw the ocean creatures and habitat in our diorama.

We thought carefully about several things as we worked to make our art more interesting. To make a 'center of interest' that you look at first, we made something large and bright. To create a sense of space, we overlapped. To create a sense of rhythm and movement we repeated similar shapes or lines.

Which dioramas represent tropical habitats and which are Alaskan