EASY / 13 DRAWING STAGES

A simple flower with a smiling center

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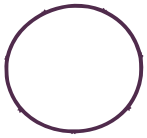
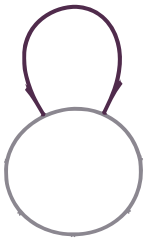
STEP 1



Draw the broad round center in the upper half of the page. Leave room around it for all seven petals.

STEP 2



Add the tallest top petal. Curve its two sides back to the round center.

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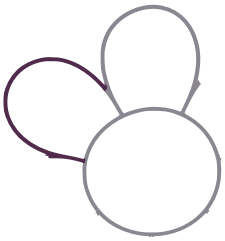

Draw the upper-left petal, a little wider and tilted outward. Stop its roots at the center.

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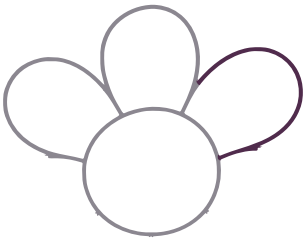

Add the upper-right petal. Keep its rounded tip outside the flower center.

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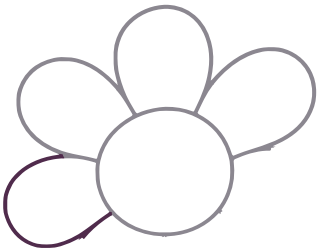

Draw the broad middle-left petal between the upper and lower spaces.

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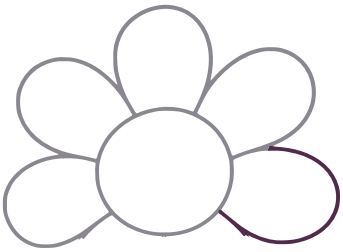

Add the middle-right petal. Give it room to spread outward rather than squeezing it into the center.

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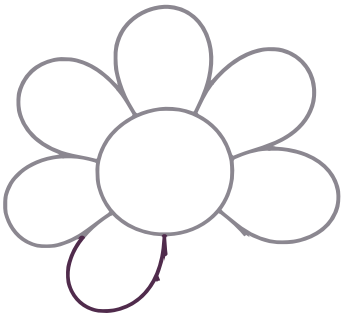
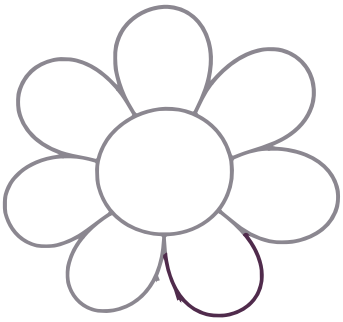


Draw the rounded lower-left petal beneath the center. Leave space beside it for the final petal.

STEP 8



Add the lower-right petal to complete the ring of seven. Keep the center in front of the petal roots.

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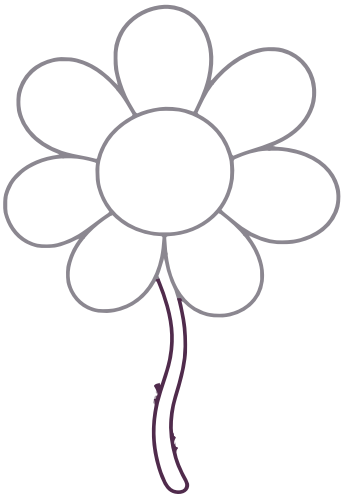

Draw the two gently curved stem edges below the petals. The short pale dashed edges at the leaf joins are temporary guides.

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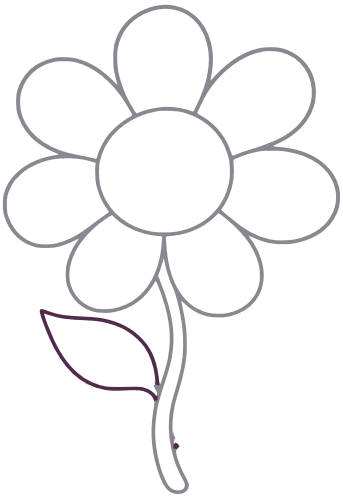

Add the pointed left leaf and join it to the stem. Erase the pale dashed edge covered by this leaf.

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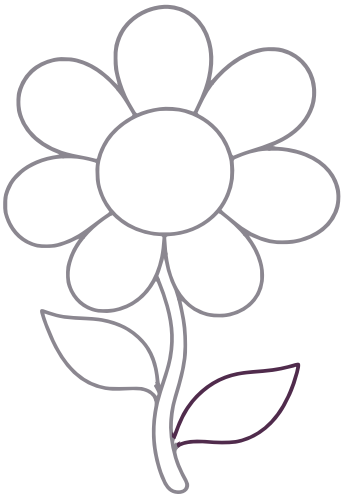

Add the longer right leaf. Connect both of its edges to the stem and erase the remaining dashed guide.

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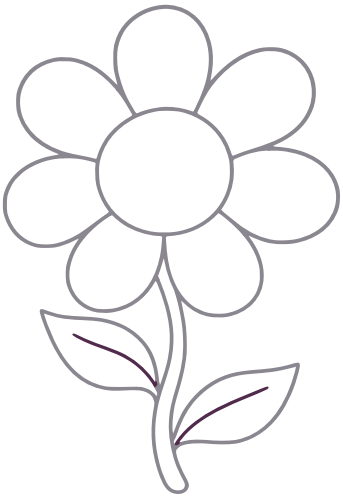

Draw one curved vein inside each leaf, from its base toward its pointed tip. Stop each line at the boundary.

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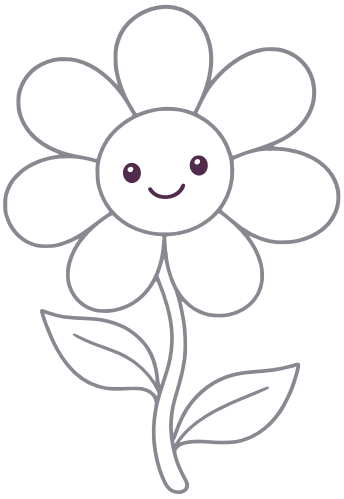

Add the two small eyes and curved smile, or leave the center plain.
Keep plenty of room around the face.

Try this fix: This flower has seven petals. Keep the center in front of their roots and join both leaves to the stem.

Make it yours: Leave off the face, widen one petal slightly, or try alternating two petal colors.

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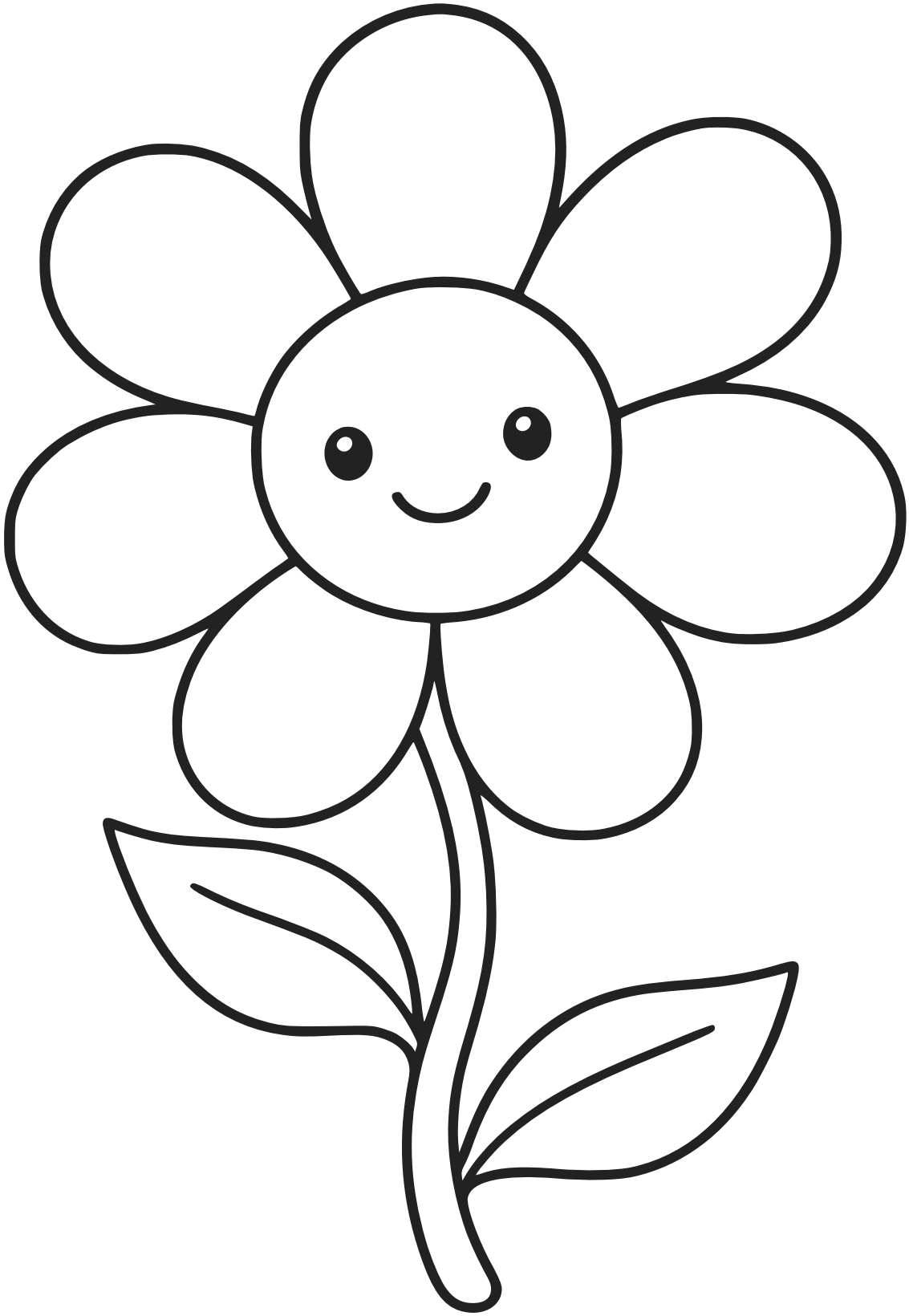
Choose your own colors, or use the outline as a drawing reference.



ONE COLOR IDEA

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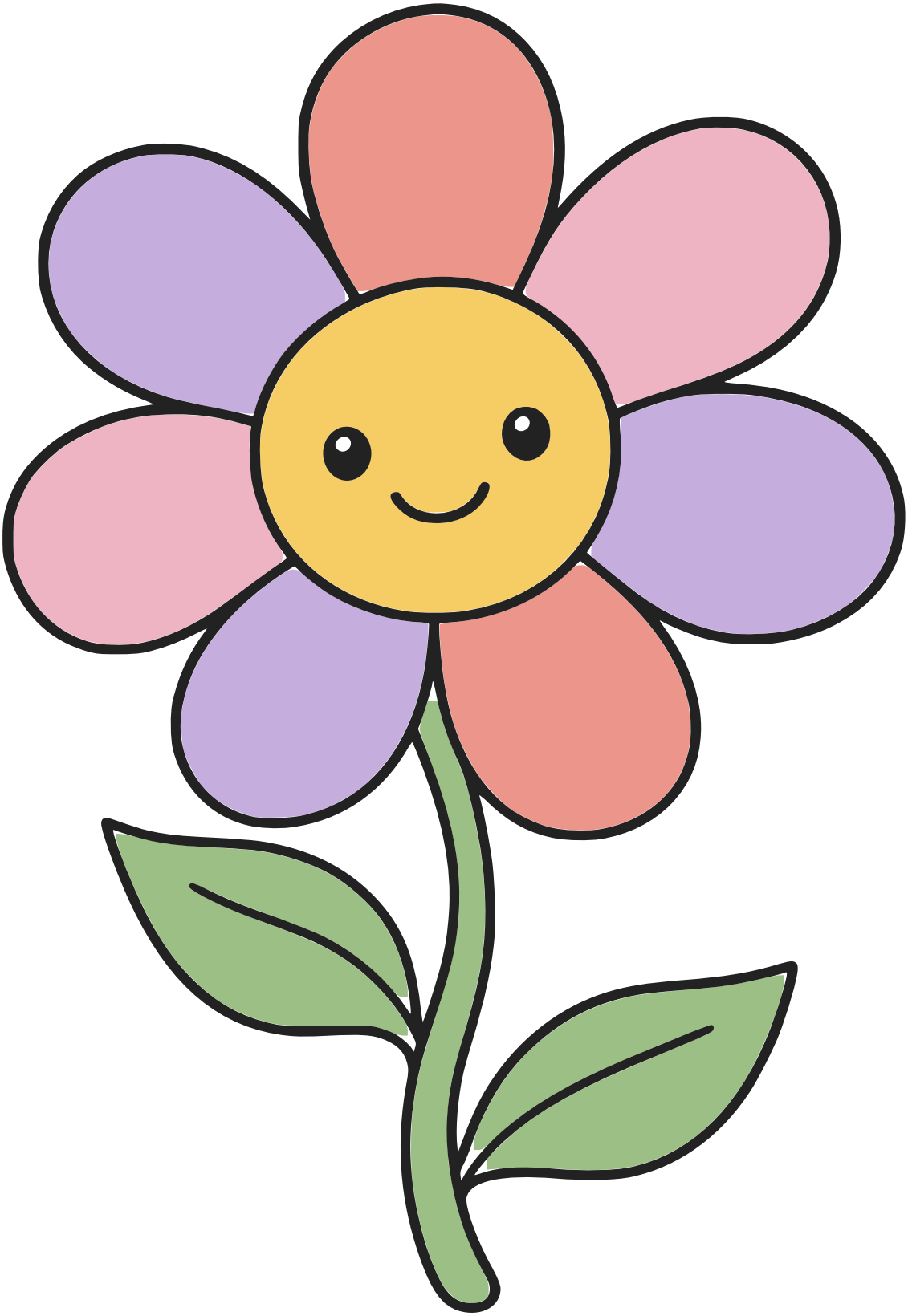
This palette is optional. Try your own colors.