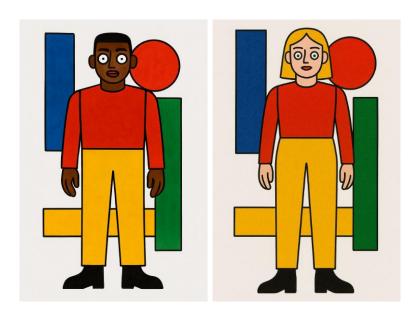# Create a full-length self-portrait, in the Leger style, using marker pens
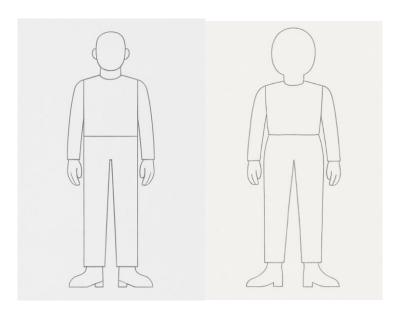

🎨 Materials Needed:

- A4 or A3 white paper
- Pencil and eraser
- Black fine liner or black marker
- Colourful marker pens (primary colours, green, brown, etc.)

✏️ Step-by-Step Instructions: *Full-Length Version*

Step 1: Sketch the Whole Body with Simple Shapes

- Use a **circle or oval for the head**
- **Neck** = short cylinder or thick lines
- **Torso** = rectangle
- **Arms and legs** = long rectangles or tubes
- **Hands and feet** = simple blocks or rounded shapes
  Keep the figure upright and symmetrical.

Step 2: Add the Face and Hair

Use bold, geometric features:

- Eyes = circles
- Nose = triangle or rectangle
- Mouth = a curved line or oval
- Hair = flat shapes or curved blocks for a short haircut or fade
- Ears = half circles

Step 3: Add Clothing and Details

Draw a shirt and trousers using rectangles and curves. Add basic shoes. Include simple creases or a belt using just lines. Keep it stylised.

Step 4: Add Background Shapes

Use circles, stripes, and blocks of colour behind and around the figure like a collage. These don't have to "mean" anything—just decorate the space!

Step 5: Outline Everything in Black

Go over the pencil lines in black marker to get those bold Léger-style lines.

Step 6: Colour the Shapes

Use solid blocks of colour—no blending. Colour skin tones in warm browns, clothes in reds, blues, yellows, etc. Leave some white spaces for contrast. Keep everything bold.