The artist Lyonel Feininger painted this watercolor just a year after he had flee

d Germany to return to his native New York City. It has a

nostalgic feel to it and may indicate that he was

reminiscent of a world lost to him in Europe. How

would you describe this city? How might it feel to

walk down the streets of live in one of these

buildings?

For more information about this artwork click here.

Activity: watercolor skyline

Materials:

• 2 sheets of watercolor paper (thick cardstock is ok too)
• Watercolors
• Paint brush
• Cup of water and paper towel
• Sharpie or pen
• Scissors
• Glue stick

Directions:

1. Paint an entire sheet of paper with color. Think about what colors you want the sky to

be behind your city/neighborhood.

2. On a different piece of paper, use a sharpie or pen to draw city block or row of houses.

Option: Trace blocks or other items to create the building shapes.

3. Cut out your city block/row of houses.

4. Once the paint is dry, glue your city block/row of houses to bottom of watercolor

painting.

Tips:

• Don’t overthink this, just put some colors down and have fun.
• Try doing a morning, afternoon and evening sky.

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