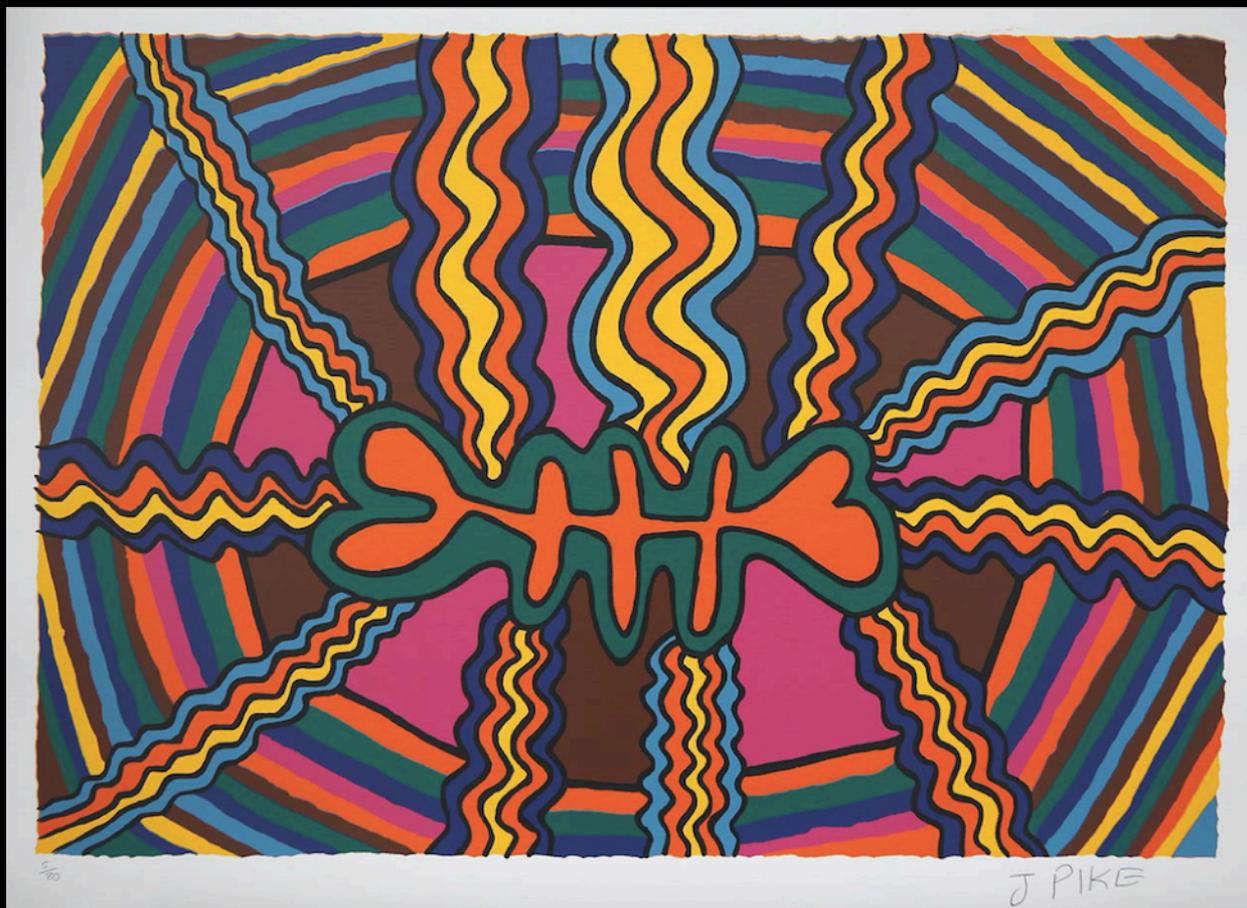
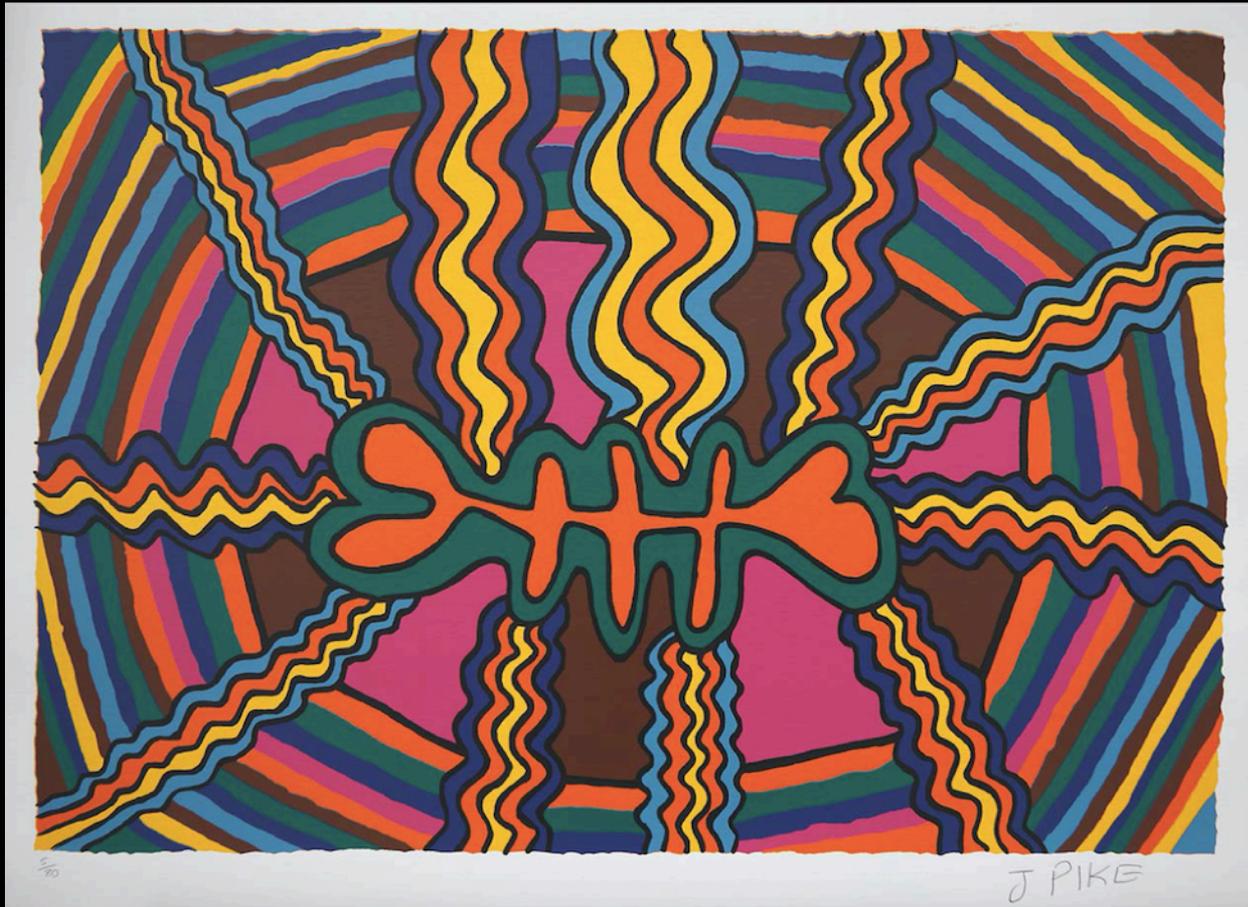


# Jimmy Pike and Japingka Country - Shape and Feelings

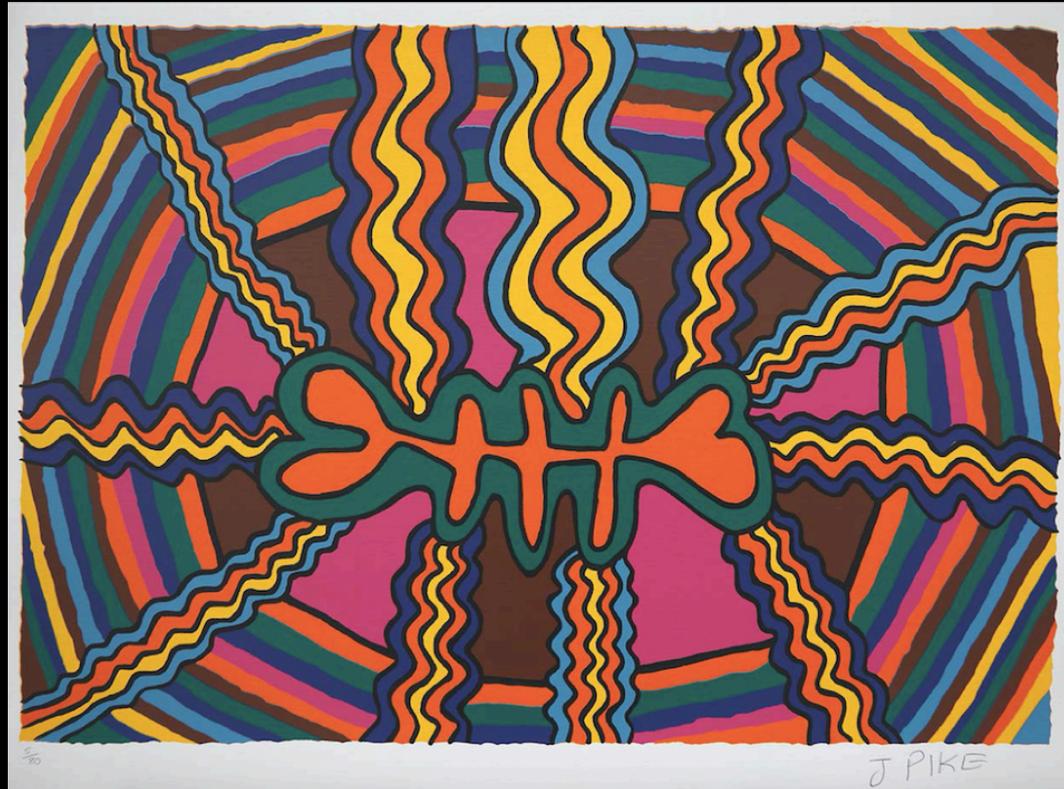
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How does this artwork make you feel?



What's going on in this picture?



The artwork was created by Jimmy Pike.

He named the artwork *Japingka Country*.

Why do you think he has called it *Japingka Country*?

Jimmy Pike's family are Walmajarri people of the Great Sandy Desert. Japingka waterhole was the main jila in Jimmy Pike's country. Jila means waterhole, and this source of water was very important.

There was water there all year round. Sometimes people had to dig to find the water but there was always water for the local people and for the animals.

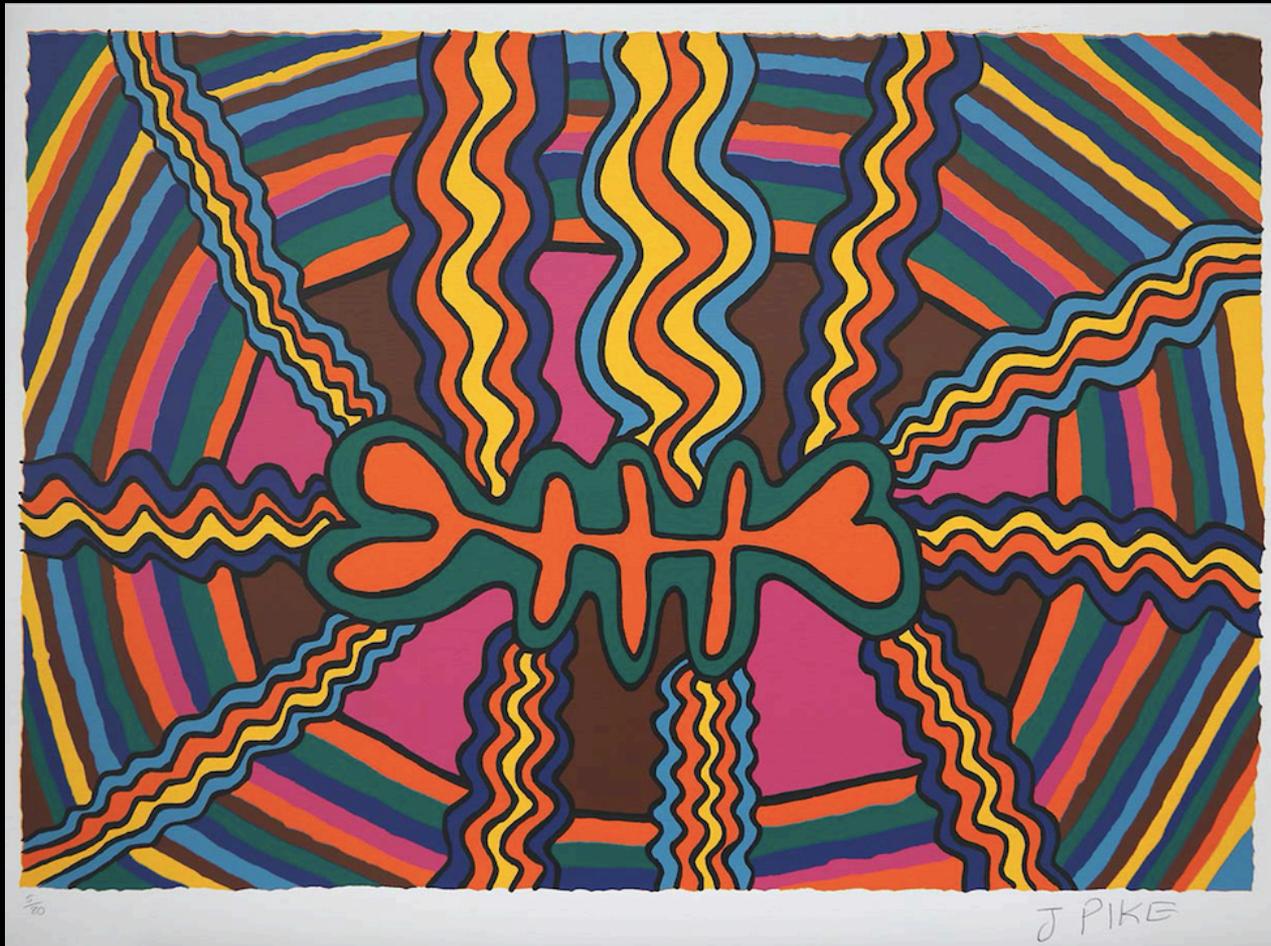
Japingka jila was an important meeting place. Water sources are sacred places to Aboriginal people of the desert.



Would you describe the **orange** shape in the middle of the artwork as a geometric or an organic shape?

Why do you think Jimmy has placed this shape in the middle of the artwork?

What could he be sharing with us?



Thinking back to how the artwork makes you feel, share three words that describe the artwork *Japingka Country*.

Today I would like you to think  
of a word that describes a  
feeling.

With your partner, share a  
feeling you could create an  
artwork about today.