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Questions to Ask in Art Class

Relating

What does this artwork remind you of? What things do you recognize in this artwork? What things seem new to you? How is this artwork like others you have seen before? What are some important differences?

What do these two art works have in common?

How is this artwork different from real life? What interests you most about this work of art?

Where have you seen similar artwork?

Does this artwork remind you of any current events? Historical events?

What might have happened before this artwork was created? After?

What other artworks might have been created around the same time?

What artwork did the artist produce around the same time as this one? What is the connection between them?

Analyzing

Which objects seems closer to you? Further away?

What do you think is the most important part of this artwork?

How do you think the artist made this work?

What questions would you ask the artist about this work, if s/he were here? Why did the artist use this composition? What purpose does the size of the artwork serve?

What atmosphere does this artwork create?

What audience was this artwork made for? Where would this be best displayed? What does the title of the artwork say about it?

How do the elements in the artwork relate to each other?

How long might it have taken to produce this artwork?

Interpreting

What title would you give to this artwork? What made you decide on that title? What do you think is happening in this artwork?

What sounds would this artwork make (if it could)?

What does the artist want you to feel about this work?

What do you think this artwork is about? Pretend you are inside this artwork. What does it feel like?

Why do you suppose the artist was thinking when they made this artwork?

What do you think it would be like to live with this artwork?

What would this artwork say if it could speak?

What is the meaning of each element of this artwork?

When these elements come together, what do they convey?

How might this artwork convey a cultural or political meaning?

Evaluating

How does this art make you feel?

What do you like about this artwork? What don't you like about it? Why?

What do you think was done well in this artwork? What was not well done?

Why do you think other people should see this work of art?

What do you think other people would say about this work? Why do you think that? What would you do with this work if you owned it?

What do you think is worth remembering about this artwork?

Would you purchase this artwork? Why? How much would you pay?

Would you sponsor this image or artist?

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Display Questions

Describing

What kinds of things do you see in this artwork? What else do you see?

What words would you use to describe this artwork?

What does this artwork show?

What observations can you make about it?

How would you describe this artwork to a person who could not see it?

How would you describe the subjects in this artwork? Are they like you or different?

How would you describe (the place/space depicted in) this artwork?

What principles of art and design are used in the composition?

How big is the composition?

What materials have been used to make this artwork?

What is the style of this image?

Who is the artist and what is their background?

How old was the artist?

When was this artwork made?