

Grade 2 - Unit 3 - Functional Forms

Unit Focus

In this unit, students will gain skills with clay sculpting techniques. The PBA will be to give directions on how to build their pinch pot animal. They will learn by brainstorming multiple approaches to use a pinch pot to create a creature. They will revisit and extend upon previous experiences with a basic pinch pot form. While working, they will be encouraged to discuss and reflect with peers about choices made in creating artwork.

Stage 1: Desired Results		
Established Goals	Transfer	
Standards National Core Arts Standards	Students will be able to independently use their learning to T1 Develop and refine techniques and skills through purposeful practice and application to become more fluent T2 Engage in critique to inform next steps or deepen examination of an artistic work	
Visual Arts: 2 Investigate, Plan, Make: Generate and conceptualize	Meaning Make: Generate and conceptualize	
artistic ideas and work. (VA:Cr1.1.2)	Understanding(s)	Essential Question(s)
Brainstorm collaboratively multiple approaches to an art or design problem. (VA:Cr1.1.2.a) Reflect - Refine - Continue: Refine and complete artistic work. (VA:Cr3.1.2) Discuss and reflect with peers about choices made in creating artwork. (VA:Cr3.1.2.a) Interpret: Apply criteria to evaluate artistic work. (VA:Re9.1.2) Use learned art vocabulary to express preferences about artwork. (VA:Re9.1.2.a)	Students will understand that U1 Artists improve the quality of a performance/piece of art through a cycle of deliberate practice and examination of results. U2 Artists make thoughtful choices about their use of skills, technique, and style to in hopes of creating a specific response for an audience.	Students will keep considering Q1 What does quality look/feel/sound like? How do I fine tune my work for and with an audience? Q2 How do I use what I visualize/imagine and make it come to life? Q3 What (skill/technique) am I focusing on? How do I get better at this? How do I know I'm making progress? Q4 How did it go / how did it turn out so far? How does it measure up to the established criteria? What is important to focus on next? Q5 What am I learning by engaging in critique?
Other Goals	Acquisition	
Portrait of a Graduate	Knowledge	Skill(s)
Design: Engaging in a process to refine a product for an intended audience and purpose. (POG.2.2)	Students will know K1 Clay has been used for centuries around the world K2 There is a specific process for successfully attaching clay K3 A basic shape or form can be transformed in many ways K4 Balance and proportion are important principles of design to consider when sculpting an animal like form. K5 Recognizing various functions of a clay vessel (i.e. pinch pot)	Students will be skilled at S1 Using the 4S method for attaching clay S2 Engaging in productive discussion with peers to draft and critique individual ideas S3 Using glazing techniques appropriately S4 Achieving balance and proportion in a clay creation