

Ten questions to Ask Students about Art

Get the dialogue going, and let their ideas lead the way...

1. What do you see?
2. What did you see, hear or sense that made you say that?
3. Do you see more? What more can you find?
4. How does this work of art make you feel?
5. If you were the artist, how would you have made this? What different materials and processes would you use?
6. Does anything you see in this work of art remind you of something else you have seen or experienced?
7. What is this work of art about? Is there a message that goes beyond the subject matter?
8. What is the title of this artwork? How does the artwork relate to the title? If you could rename the artwork, what would your new title be?
9. Compare and contrast this work of art with:
 - another work of art in the Collection
 - another work of art you find while researching in a book or on the Internet
 - another work of art in a famous museum
 - an illustration you find in a book
 - a current events article
 - a story, poem, song or novel you have read, heard or written
 - an event in history
 - a famous person or someone you know
 - something you would find in nature
 - a modern or ancient invention
 - geometry, algebra or calculus
 - Anything! The possibilities for comparison are endless!
10. How does this work of art relate to you?