

Art project: My artistic journey

This project is designed for students to reflect on their artistic skills and exhibit their artwork with other teachers in the school. Students will complete a 3-step project over the course of these weeks and reflect on their new skills. The topics they will explore this quarter will be age-appropriate and engaging for the students, as well as for young learners.

Goals:

-Students will exhibit their work and make a video, in which they will talk about their reflections on the art world and their artistic skills.

Week 30: Step 1 (Paragraph)

- **Objective:** Reflect on their artistic skills throughout the course.
- **Activity:** Write a 100-word essay about how your confidence as an artist has evolved, if you feel you have improved in your artistic skills, or if you have found new sources of inspiration, among other examples.

Week 32: Step 2 (Art)

- **Objective:** The students will compile their exercises and artwork in order to put together a small exhibition.
- **Activity:** Look for any of the previous exercises done in class, or even some artwork that they have done in their childhood, in order to make a comparison of their evolution. Take pictures and send the files to the teacher.

Week 34: Step 3 (My thoughts)

- **Objective:** Students will reflect on what they like and dislike about art.
- **Activity:** Mention 5 aspects that you find interesting or not interesting about art, as well as what you feel at the moment of making a work of art. They can mention a childhood memory they have or an artwork that particularly catches their attention.
- The video should be at least 4 minutes long and it's your chance to be creative! You can think of an interesting way to present your video, use some drawings to support your thought, show some paintings you like, and many other options.

Step 1- Paragraph rubric

Criteria	Excellent	Good	Needs Improvement	Poor	Points
Depth of Reflection	Honest, insightful self-assessment with clear examples.	Some reflection but lacks depth.	Surface-level thoughts.	Little to no reflection.	
Personal Connection	Strongly ties emotions/ memories to artistic journey.	Some personal connection.	Generic statements.	No personal link.	
Originality	Unique perspective (e.g., struggles, breakthroughs, inspirations).	Some personal voice but predictable.	Clichéd ideas.	Copied or superficial thoughts.	
Engagement	Compelling and vivid (hooks reader with emotions/stories).	Moderately interesting.	Flat or monotonous tone.	Difficult to engage with.	
Word Count	Meets 100-word requirement.	90-99 words.	80-89 words.	Fewer than 80 words.	

Total score:____/20

Step 2- Art rubric

Criteria	Excellent	Good	Needs Improvement	Poor	Points
Artwork selection	5+ pieces showing clear progression (childhood + recent).	4 pieces with some progression.	3 pieces, weak comparison.	Fewer than 3 or unrelated works.	
Image Quality	High-resolution, well-lit, and cropped properly.	Minor quality issues.	Blurry/poorly lit.	Unusable images.	
Organization	Clearly labeled (dates, mediums) and logically ordered.	Some labels missing.	Disorganized.	No labels or order.	
Effort & Creativity	Shows clear effort and creative curation (themes, styles).	Some effort but lacks creativity.	Minimal effort.	Rushed or incomplete.	
Submission	All files submitted on time and correctly named.	Minor delays or naming issues.	Late or mislabeled.	Missing files.	

Total score:____/20

Step 3 - My thoughts rubric

Criteria	Excellent	Good	Needs Improvement	Poor	Points
Content Depth	Covers 5+ aspects with thoughtful analysis.	4 aspects, some depth.	3 aspects, superficial.	Fewer than 3 or irrelevant.	
Emotional Honesty	Authentic, expressive, and vulnerable.	Some genuine emotion.	Scripted or detached.	No personal connection.	
Clarity & Fluency	Clear speech, good pacing, and no fillers.	Minor pauses or mumbling.	Hard to follow at times.	Inaudible or chaotic.	
Creativity	Engaging visuals (art clips, transitions) or storytelling.	Basic but functional.	Minimal effort.	No visuals or creativity.	
Time & Technicals	4+ minutes, good audio/video quality.	3-3.5 mins or minor tech issues.	2-3 mins or poor quality.	Under 2 mins or unusable.	

Total score:____/20

