

# March Art Grade 1

Content Area: **Art**  
Course(s):  
Time Period: **March**  
Length: **4 Weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Unit Overview

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Students will study the art form of Still Life painting.

## Enduring Understandings

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Painters choose to paint still life paintings for their beauty and the ability to deeply study a non-moving subject.

## Essential Questions

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Why do painters choose to paint a still life?

What makes a good still life composition?

How can I use the techniques used by the masters to create my own still life painting?

## Instructional Strategies & Learning Activities

Objectives	Suggested Activities	Evaluations	Resources
Understand the genre of “still life” vs. portrait or landscape, etc...	Still life drawing/painting	Teacher observation of accuracy: realistic proportions, care with outlining and painting-mixed colors and high lights and shadows.	Cezanne and Matisse still life paintings
Illustrate how art is part of everyday life.	Compose a display of fruit, flowers, instruments, and/or other interesting objects		
Use objects as point of reference to draw more realistically-consider	Look through view finder to establish composition  Draw first with pencil, then		

proportions.	paint with tempera, then outline with sharpie		
Identify and use highlights and shadows			
Use a viewfinder to choose the best composition			

## **Integration of Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills**

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Students will learn about artists and how they devoted their lives to their career.

WRK.9.1.2.CAP	Career Awareness and Planning
WRK.9.1.2.CAP.1	Make a list of different types of jobs and describe the skills associated with each job.
TECH.9.4.2.CI	Creativity and Innovation
TECH.9.4.2.CI.2	Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work (e.g., 1.3A.2CR1a).
TECH.9.4.2.CT	Critical Thinking and Problem-solving
TECH.9.4.2.CT.3	Use a variety of types of thinking to solve problems (e.g., inductive, deductive).

## **Technology and Design Integration**

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No technology is used for this unit.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.SL.1.1	Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 1 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.
LA.SL.1.2	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.
LA.SL.1.3	Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood.

## **Differentiation**

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- Understand that gifted students, just like all students, come to school to learn and be challenged.
- Pre-assess your students. Find out their areas of strength as well as those areas you may need to

address before students move on.

- Consider grouping gifted students together for at least part of the school day.
- Plan for differentiation. Consider pre-assessments, extension activities, and compacting the curriculum.
- Use phrases like "You've shown you don't need more practice" or "You need more practice" instead of words like "qualify" or "eligible" when referring to extension work.
- Encourage high-ability students to take on challenges. Because they're often used to getting good grades, gifted students may be risk averse.

- **Definitions of Differentiation Components:**

- Content – the specific information that is to be taught in the lesson/unit/course of instruction.
- Process – how the student will acquire the content information.
- Product – how the student will demonstrate understanding of the content.
- Learning Environment – the environment where learning is taking place including physical location and/or student grouping

**Differentiation occurring in this unit:**

Students will be encouraged to use their skills to extend their ability to create art.

For Gifted:

Encourage students to explore concepts in depth and encourage independent studies or investigations. Use thematic instruction to connect learning across the curriculum. Encourage creative expression and thinking by allowing students to choose how to approach a problem or assignment. Expand students' time for free reading. Invite students to explore different points of view on a topic of study and compare the two. Provide learning centers where students are in charge of their learning. Brainstorm with gifted children on what types of projects they would like to explore to extend what they're learning in the classroom. Determine where students' interests lie and capitalize on their inquisitiveness. Refrain from having them complete more work in the same manner. Employ differentiated curriculum to keep interest high. Avoid drill and practice activities. Ask students' higher level questions that require students to look into causes, experiences, and facts to draw a conclusion or make connections to other areas of learning. If possible, compact curriculum to allow gifted students to move more quickly through the material. Encourage students to make transformations- use a common task or item in a different way. From <http://www.bsu.edu/web/lshasky/Forms/Interventions/Gifted.pdf>

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**Modifications & Accommodations**

Follow IEP accommodations and differentiate materials, project requirements as needed.

Refer to QSAC EXCEL SMALL SPED ACCOMMODATIONS spreadsheet in this discipline.

**Modifications and Accommodations used in this unit:**

## **Formative Assessments**

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Assessment allows both instructor and student to monitor progress towards achieving learning objectives, and can be approached in a variety of ways. **Formative assessment** refers to tools that identify misconceptions, struggles, and learning gaps along the way and assess how to close those gaps. It includes effective tools for helping to shape learning, and can even bolster students' abilities to take ownership of their learning when they understand that the goal is to improve learning, not apply final marks (Trumbull and Lash, 2013). It can include students assessing themselves, peers, or even the instructor, through writing, quizzes, conversation, and more. In short, formative assessment occurs throughout a class or course, and seeks to improve student achievement of learning objectives through approaches that can support specific student needs (Theal and Franklin, 2010, p. 151).

### **Formative Assessments used in this unit:**

Teacher Observation

Discussion

## **Benchmark Assessments**

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**Benchmark Assessments** are given periodically (e.g., at the end of every quarter or as frequently as once per month) throughout a school year to establish baseline achievement data and measure progress toward a standard or set of academic standards and goals.

### **Schoolwide Benchmark assessments:**

Aimsweb benchmarks 3X a year

Linkit Benchmarks 3X a year

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### **Additional Benchmarks used in this unit:**

Teacher records of skill growth using different media.

## **Summative Assessments**

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**summative assessments** evaluate student learning, knowledge, proficiency, or success at the conclusion of an instructional period, like a unit, course, or program. Summative assessments are almost always formally graded and often heavily weighted (though they do not need to be). Summative assessment can be used to great effect in conjunction and alignment with formative assessment, and instructors can consider a variety of ways to combine these approaches.

### **Summative assessments for this unit:**

## Final art project

### **Instructional Materials**

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Art supplies as listed above, picture references as noted above.

### **Standards**

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VA.K-2.1.5.2.Pr	Presenting
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr1	Generating and conceptualizing ideas.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr2	Organizing and developing ideas.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr3	Refining and completing products.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Pr4	Selecting, analyzing, and interpreting work.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Pr5	Developing and refining techniques and models or steps needed to create products.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Pr6	Conveying meaning through art.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Re7	Perceiving and analyzing products.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cn10	Synthesizing and relating knowledge and personal experiences to create products.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr1b	Engage in individual and collaborative art making through observation and investigation of the world, and in response to personal interests and curiosity.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr2a	Through experimentation, build skills and knowledge of materials and tools through various approaches to art making.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr2b	Demonstrate safe procedures for using and cleaning art tools, equipment and studio spaces.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr2c	Create art that represents natural and constructed environments. Identify and classify uses of everyday objects through drawings, diagrams, sculptures or other visual means including repurposing objects to make something new.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cr3a	Explain the process of making art, using art vocabulary. Discuss and reflect with peers about choices made while creating art.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Pr4a	Select artwork for display, and explain why some work, objects and artifacts are valued over others. Categorize artwork based on a theme or concept for an exhibit.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Re8a	Categorize and describe works of art, by identifying subject matter, details, mood, and formal characteristics.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Re9a	Use art vocabulary to explain preferences in selecting and classifying artwork.
VA.K-2.1.5.2.Cn10a	Create art that tells a story or describes life events in home, school and community.

