

# Nov. Gr. 7 Unit 3 ART

Content Area: **Art**  
Course(s):  
Time Period: **November**  
Length: **4-5 Weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Unit Overview

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Students will create a clay vessel and incorporate a note to themselves.

## Enduring Understandings

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Art as a personal expression using clay as a medium.

## Essential Questions

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How do I create art with clay as the medium?

## Instructional Strategies & Learning Activities

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Objectives	Suggested Activities	Evaluations	Resources
<p>Students will use the image created in the first lessons to create a clay vessel that shares the appearance or characteristics of the personal botanical the invented.</p> <p>This clay sculpture will act as a time vessel. Students will write a note to their future-self and incorporate it into the sculpture.</p> <p>Better handbuilding skills</p>	<p>Students sketch ideas for how to create their plant in clay</p> <p>Demonstrate various clay building techniques and share visuals of clay artists who imitate nature, then allow students to begin.</p>	<p>Peer critique</p> <p>Vessel must be able to hold the small note</p> <p>Share characteristic of their personal botanical</p> <p>Be well crafted with evidence of handbuilding skill</p> <p>Peer and teacher</p>	<p>Smartboard images</p>

for clay		evaluation	
Art as personal reflection and imagination			

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

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WRK.9.2.8.CAP	Career Awareness and Planning
WRK.9.2.8.CAP.2	Develop a plan that includes information about career areas of interest.
WRK.9.2.8.CAP.3	Explain how career choices, educational choices, skills, economic conditions, and personal behavior affect income.
TECH.9.4.8.CI	Creativity and Innovation
TECH.9.4.8.CT.2	Develop multiple solutions to a problem and evaluate short- and long-term effects to determine the most plausible option (e.g., MS-ETS1-4, 6.1.8.CivicsDP.1).  An individual's strengths, lifestyle goals, choices, and interests affect employment and income.  An essential aspect of problem solving is being able to self-reflect on why possible solutions for solving problems were or were not successful.

## **Technology and Design Integration**

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Students will interact with the lesson using the Smartboard.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.L.7.3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
LA.L.7.3.A	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

## **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:**

Personal choice differentiates the creation of the artwork.

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>

**Modifications & Accommodations**

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IEP and 504 accommodations as required.

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

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

**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 record of growth when using medium

**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:**

Peer critique

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Peer and teacher evaluation

**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:**

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## **Instructional Materials**

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Smartboard images

## **Standards**

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VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr	Creating
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Pr	Presenting
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Re	Responding
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr1	Generating and conceptualizing ideas.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr2	Organizing and developing ideas.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr3	Refining and completing products.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Pr4	Selecting, analyzing and interpreting work.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Pr5	Developing and refining techniques and models or steps needed to create products.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Pr6	Conveying meaning through art.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Re7	Perceiving and analyzing products.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Re8	Interpreting intent and meaning.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cn10	Synthesizing and relating knowledge and personal experiences to create products.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr1a	Conceptualize early stages of the creative process, including applying methods to overcome creative blocks or take creative risks, and document the processes in traditional or new media.
VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr1b	Develop criteria, identify goals and collaboratively investigate an aspect of present-day

life, using contemporary practice of art or design.

- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr2a Demonstrate persistence and willingness to experiment and take risks during the artistic process.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr2b Demonstrate an awareness of ethical responsibility as applied to artmaking including environmental implications, responsibility in sharing images online, appropriation, and intellectual property ethics.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr2c Apply, organize and strategize methods for design and redesign of objects, places, systems, images and words to clearly communicate information to a diverse audience.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cr3a Use criteria to examine, reflect on and plan revisions for a work of art, and create an artistic statement.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Pr4a Investigate and analyze ways artwork is presented, preserved and experienced, including use of evolving technology. Evaluate a collection or presentation based on this criterion.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Pr6a Analyze how exhibitions in different venues communicate meaning and influence ideas, beliefs and experiences.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Re7b Compare and contrast cultural and social contexts of visual arts and how they influence ideas and emotions.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Re9a Create a convincing and logical argument to support an evaluation of art. Explain the difference between personal and established criteria for evaluating artwork.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cn11a Analyze and contrast how art forms are used to represent, establish, reinforce and reflect group identity and culture.
- VA.6-8.1.5.8.Cn11b Analyze and contrast how art forms are used to reflect global issues, including climate change.
- Investigate
- Explore