Media Arts Resource Guide



WARM UP GUIDE

Google Image Hunt

Assess prior knowledge or review vocabulary with a Google Image Search activity. This activity can be used to introduce a new media arts domain (What are your top 3 favorite animated shows or movies?) or teach vocabulary (High Angle/Low Angle Scavenger Hunt)

Instagram Stories

Practice Adobe Spark and Graphic Design skills by crafting a quick Instagram Story. Use the IG Story template and give a prompt (something fun I did last weekend, my favorite dessert, my mood, etc.) Use images, icons and text to share three things about the topic.

Shape Language Characters

Can be done digitally or traditionally in the sketchbook. Have students fill the page with 5 organic shapes (no straight lines or angles) and color them in. Challenge students to draw ontop of their shapes to create portraits, objects or aliens, fruits etc. The catch is that they must be 5 of the same kind of thing.

Storyboard Game

Students will experiment with storytelling by sequencing a set of provided images. Images that show characters interacting are preferable here. Ask "how does this story begin and end? What is happening in your version of the story? Why did you choose to arrange your story in this way?"

Category Lists

Split class into two teams and define the category (photography, animated movies, slogans, etc.) Students have 2 minutes to compete by listing as many words as possible that somehow relate to the topic. Each teammate will have a turn to write their word on the board and must go in order, like a relay race. Whichever team has the longest list of non-repeating words when the time runs out is the winner.

Found Object Names

Students can use objects from their desk, backpack and classroom to form their name and photograph it.

Expressive Line Game

Can be done using the "draw it!" feature on Nearpod or in sketchbooks -- what would an angry line look like? What would a silly line look like? What would a nervous line look like? Ask students to notice patterns in how the class captures each emotion.

Photo Image Sort

Best used when studying photography, have students sort images based on 'shot type.' Great way to reinforce vocabulary or get students to engage in conversations about the subject matter of the photos you choose.

