

Art Show Critique

Name _____

Use the following 5 Step Critique to organize your thinking as you look at a piece of art work. The following steps – 1) Observe, 2) Describe, 3) Analyze, 4) Interpret, and 5) Evaluate will help you critique more thoroughly.

Step 1: OBSERVE Take time to look at the art work. Make a bulleted list of 10 or more items observed in the art work and a detailed drawing of what was seen.

Step 2: DESCRIBE Write a thorough description of what is being observed using art vocabulary in 5 or more complete sentences. Include a description of subject matter, composition, materials used, and techniques/processes used.

Step 3: ANALYZE Make three connections between an Element of Art and a Principle of Design. For each, identify the connection and describe where this connection is happening and / or how it is being used.

Step 4: INTERPRET Use complete sentences to give an explanation of the intent or meaning of the art work is evident. Three of the following concepts are evident in the explanation: idea, purpose, theme, message, mood, perspective, story

Step 5: EVALUATE Judgement or opinion is given using complete sentences and it is backed up by an explanation. The explanation is based upon description, analysis, and interpretation.