

ART CRITIQUE

1. DESCRIPTION:

(I will take inventory. I will look, identify & describe.)

- Name objects.
- Describe elements of art.
- Identify patterns (a principle of art).
- Identify materials used (techniques too).
- Identify genre (portrait, still life, landscape?).
- Identify style of art.

2. FORMAL ANALYSIS:

(Discovering Relationships)

- Find examples of unity through repetition.
- Look for variety through contrast of shapes, lines, etc.
- Look for center of interest (focus, eye grabber).
- Look for balance & rhythm (principles of art).

3. INTERPRETATION:

(Figure out its meaning)

- Use the evidence in 1. & 2. to figure out a meaning of the art for you.
- What is the artist saying? What are your reasons?

4. EVALUATION:

(Forming a judgment)

- Is it a quality piece of art? Why?
- How does it compare to similar works?
- Is the artist successful? Why?