Spark Creativity: Merge Writing and Art

“WRITING IS THE PAINTING OF THE VOICE!”
Voltaire
I think …..
I wonder …..
I question …..
I infer …..

Art
Create
Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work.

Present
Convey meaning through the presentation of artistic work.

Respond
Apply criteria to evaluate artistic work.

Connect
Relate artistic ideas and works with societal, cultural and historical contexts.

Writing
Imagine
Form arguments and opinions to support claims in analysis of substantive topics or texts.

Investigate
Compose informative, explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information.

Construct

Reflect
Create narratives to develop real or imagined experiences.

Anchor Standards

- Artifacts
- Artworks
- Charts
- Formulas
- Notes
- Prompts
- Questions
- Templates
- Texts
- Research

Strategies

- Critiques
- Image and Text
- Journals
- Lists
- Poems
- Quick writes
- Reports
- Reviews
- Self-assessments
- Statements
- Summaries
- Tickets

- When
- Duration
- Routine

Timing

Format
**Challenge:**

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**Ticket to Leave**

The most important thing I learned about

Because

And

The most important thing I learned about

**Questions**

Who or what is powerful in the image?

What did the maker believe and support?

Who would or would not like the image and why?

What cultural story is told through the art work?

**Theme:**

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<th>Fact: What you know</th>
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**Conclusion:**

**Sparks!**

**Statements**

**Summaries**

**Questions**

**Prompts**

**Tickets**

**Templates**
### Students
- Aids retention
- Increases depth of knowledge
- Develops critical thinking skills
- Leads to problem solving
- Promotes independent thinking

### Teachers
- Engages students
- Monitors progress
- Gauges strengths and weaknesses
- Saves time
- Improves learning

### Benefits
- Common Core Standards for English Language Arts
  - [http://www.corestandards.org/assets/CCS](http://www.corestandards.org/assets/CCS)
- Fairfax County Public Schools Fine Arts Office
  - [http://fcps.edu/is/finearts/index.shtml](http://fcps.edu/is/finearts/index.shtml)
- NCAAS Common Core Alignment
  - [https://nccas.wikispaces.com/Com](https://nccas.wikispaces.com/Com)
- National Core Arts Standards
  - [http://www-nationalartsstandards.org](http://www-nationalartsstandards.org)
- Partnership for 21st Century Skills
- Writing Across the Curriculum - The WAC Clearing House
  - [http://wac.colostate.edu/intro/](http://wac.colostate.edu/intro/)

### Resources

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