

What Is Art Criticism?

Appreciating and cultivating an aesthetic awareness of the art that surrounds us is a lifelong process. It involves observing and sharing how artists use different materials, processes, tools, and techniques to communicate meanings visually. Implementing the process of art criticism, it is possible to enter deeper layers of meaning to evaluate the artistic merit of works of art. Art criticism is the discussion or evaluation of visual art. Art criticism involves the four stages of description, analysis, interpretation and judgment.

What does it look like in the classroom?

Learners will be

Describing

- develop an art vocabulary to talk and tell what you see

Analysing

- recognize how the elements of art and principles of design are used

Interpreting

- determine the meaning and purpose of the art

Judging

- respond to the art based on personal understanding