Name of Lesson: Elements of Art

Grade Level: 7-12th

Content area: Career Technical Education-Pathways: Arts, Media, and Entertainment

Standard identifiers: CTE.AME.A.2.6; CTE.AME.A.4.0; CTE.AME.D.4.1

Objectives: Students will:

- Demonstrate understanding of the elements of art, including line, shape, color, value, texture, and space, to set the mood and feel of a scene.
- Analyze, assess, and identify effectiveness of artistic products based on elements of art.
- Create an artistic product that involves the effective use of the elements of art and the principles of design.

Assessment (informal):

- Students analyze several art pieces' effectiveness based on elements of art.
- Students select a few art elements to create an artistic product that expresses a moment in history or a movement that they are passionate about.

Strategies for English Language Learners and Learners with Special Needs:

- Select a few elements to focus on.
- Select one or two art pieces to analyze.

Materials and Resources:

- MVC's Virtual Learning Module #10: Elements of Art
- Looking at Art; Looking at History Through Art PPT
- Looking at Art; Looking at History Through Art PDF

Instructional Sequence:

Introduction and explanation to students about the purpose of the lesson (3 minutes)

Art can be described as the expression of human creativity and imagination. However, that can
be many different things. Art can be music, dance, paintings, fashion, or any other number of
things. Every person can find a style of art they like. It is helpful to be able to describe what you
like or do not like about a work of art. The "Elements of Art" are the building blocks that help
people to talk about what they notice in an artwork. As artists, we can use these elements to
make statements in our creations.

Teacher modeling (15 minutes)

• Show the students the presentation in MVC's Virtual Learning Module #10: Elements of Art.

Introduce and discuss each element. Use the examples on the slides to highlight the use of each element in the pieces. Ask students why they think the artist chose to use that particular element to convey their message.

Guided practice (20 minutes)

- Select as many pieces as you think appropriate to show the class from the "Look at Art; Looking at History Through Art presentation (PPT and PDF links above in the materials section). Ask them to discuss questions in pairs or small groups:
 - 1. What element is used most prominently?
 - 2. Why do you think the artist chose to use this element?
 - 3. What is the message of the art?
 - 4. How does this piece make you feel?

Practice (independent) (60 minutes)

• Students create their own art piece to express a historic moment they feel passionate about. Students should be prepared to explain what element they chose to incorporate to their art and why they chose it.

Closure (20 minutes)

• Students present their art to the class or a smaller group.

Monitoring for student learning/understanding:

• Ask students to explain their answers in greater detail to show understanding.

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