Investigate: Inquiry and the Artistic Process

AP 2-D Art and Design · Vocabulary in context

Word	Example
inquiry /ɪn'kwaɪəri/	Your **inquiry** starts with a clear question.
sustained investigation /sə'steɪnd ɪnˌvestɪ'geɪʃn/	A **sustained investigation** follows one idea through many works.
experiences /ek'spɪərɪənsɪz/	Her own **experiences** of moving home shaped her art.
observation /ɒbzə'veɪʃn/	Draw from direct **observation**, not from a photo.
materials, processes, and ideas /mə'tɪərɪəlz 'prəʊsesɪz ænd aɪ'dɪəz/	Your **materials, processes, and ideas** should all work together.
context /'kɒntekst/	Use the **context**, the words around a word, to guess its meaning.
traditions /trə'dɪʃnz/	Dances keep old **traditions** alive.
integrity /ɪn'tegrɪti/	Artistic **integrity** means you never copy someone else's work as your own.
evaluated /ɪ'vælju:eɪtɪd/	The portfolio is **evaluated** by trained readers.
criteria /kraɪ'tɪərɪə/	The teacher marks the work against clear **criteria**.
synthesis /'sɪnθəsɪs/	The **synthesis** joins useful facts from several notes.
critique /krɪ'ti:k/	A **critique** gives feedback on artwork.

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Documentation /ˌdɒkjuːmənˈteɪʃn/	**Documentation** with photos shows each stage of the work.
process journal /ˈprəʊses ˈdʒɜːnl/	Keep a **process journal** of your tests and ideas.
lines of inquiry /laɪnz ɒv ɪnˈkwaɪəri/	Two **lines of inquiry** guided her project: memory and home.

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