

Exercise walk-through

Documentation and the Process Journal ■ 4.6

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You must be able to

- explain why **documentation** 记录 matters
- record experiments, failures, and decisions
- photograph work in progress
- use the journal to show growth over time

Method — Why document

Documentation captures your thinking and making — experiments, sketches, notes — evidence the portfolio needs, not just finished pieces.

Method — Recording the process

Log **experiments**, failures, and decisions. A failed test that you learn from is valuable evidence of inquiry.

Method — Showing growth

Dated photos and notes let a viewer see how ideas **develop over time** — the heart of a sustained investigation.

Practice 2.1 ■ 1 mark

A process journal should mainly record

- A** only finished, perfect works
- B** experiments, decisions, and progress including failures
- C** nothing until the end
- D** other artists' work only

Solution 2.1

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Worked steps

- B.** the journal documents process, experiments, and growth.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

Explain why recording a failed experiment is valuable.

Solution 2.2

Method: Recording the process

Worked steps

it shows experimentation and learning **B1**; such evidence of thinking/revision is what the investigation is judged on **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 1 mark

State one thing to capture as you work.

Solution 2.3

Worked steps

in-progress photos, sketches, material tests, or decisions/notes **B1**.