

# Art Experience Wheel

## Worksheet

### Meaning

What does it mean?  
 Message? Symbols?  
 What is the story?

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Possible Questions:

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### Viewer Experience

Emotional, intellectual, kinesthetic response  
 How were you meant to experience it?  
 How do you experience it now?  
 What can alter/affect/change that experience?

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Possible Questions:

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### Formal Elements

Color, line, shape/form, space, texture

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### Design Principles

Harmony, variety, balance,  
 movement, proportion, repetition

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### Critical Discourse

Speculation - avoid if you can.  
 Try not to debate theory.  
 Avoid discussing what we don't know.

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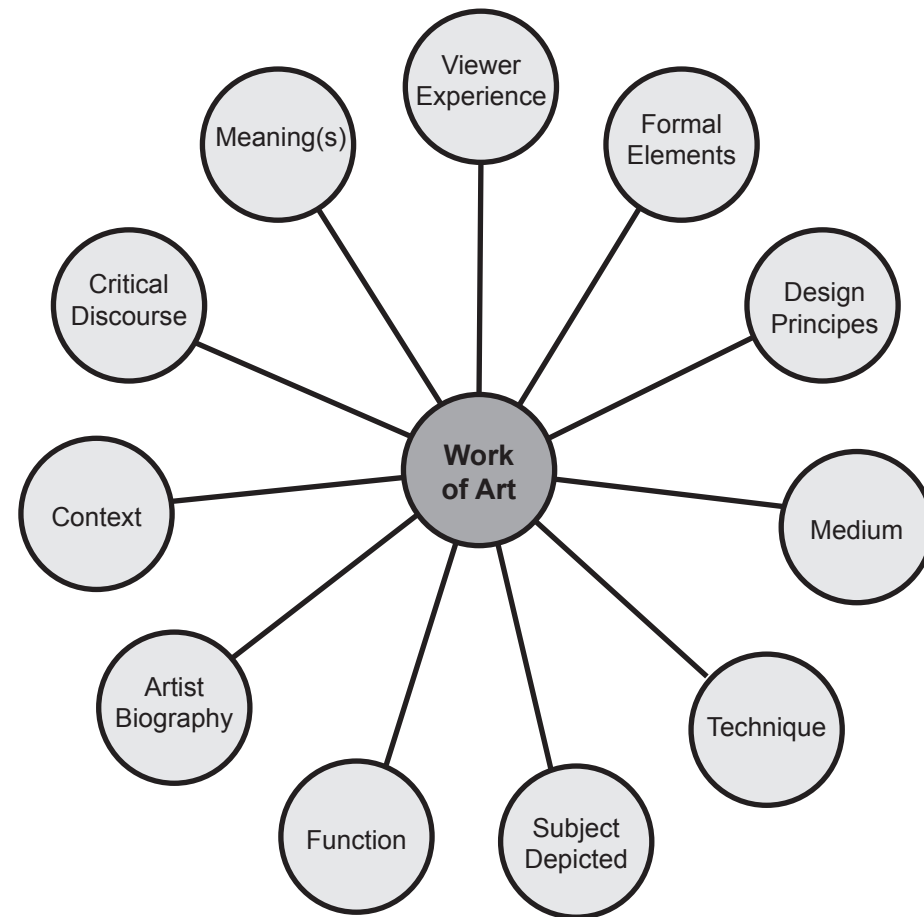
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Possible Questions:

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### Medium

Oil, acrylic, watercolor,  
 pencil, charcoal, stone,  
 metal, wood, glass, etc.

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### Technique

Sculpture, painting,  
 drawing, photography,  
 print, film, video, etc.

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### Context

History, politics, sociology,  
 economics, philosophy, science,  
 art, music, dance, theater and literature

What happened during this time?

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Possible Questions:

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### Artist Biography

Who made it?  
 What do we know about the artist?

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### Function

Purpose?  
 Themes artist wanted to explore  
 (i.e., human condition, cultural issues)

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### Subject Depicted

What do you see?  
 Who are these people?  
 What's this about?

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Possible Questions:

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Beyond Art History -  
 Adult Questioning Strategies

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