

7th and 8th Grade Art  
Home Sketchbook Activities

Find 3 small objects in your house and arrange them in an interesting way to create a still life. Take your time drawing them on a piece of paper in relation to one another. Pay attention to highlights and shadows.

Create an alternate reality of your life. Draw a picture and write a description of how your life is different and why.

Draw a picture of your favorite shoes.

Draw yourself in your dream career (no stick figures) imagine what you will be doing, how you will look, dress...etc. Write a few sentences about why you chose this career.

Draw a picture of either the outside of your house, or your favorite room in your house.

Create a new animal/creature. You can combine animals that already exist, or come up with a new one entirely. Name your creation and explain what and how it eats, when it sleeps....etc.

Draw a portrait of a family member, have them sit for you while you draw them. Try your best.

Draw a picture of what is in the ocean. Imagine you are scuba diving, what might you see?

Using lines and shapes, draw and color an abstract drawing. Try listening to music during this sketch.

Draw a picture of your favorite place to go. It can be anywhere in the world. Write a few sentences explaining why it is your favorite.

Draw a picture of anything you want. Fill up the page.

Draw a picture of your favorite meal. List what it is below it and who makes it for you.

Draw your favorite cartoon character(s). Fill up the page, and fully shade or color.

Draw a picture of your pet, if you don't have a pet, draw an animal you would like to have as a pet.

Think of the perfect place outside to be, on a beach, in the mountains, on a lake? Draw a landscape of what you imagined.

Draw what you think the world will look/be like in 50 years. What kind of new technology will we have? What will cities look like? Write a paragraph about what you imagined on the back.

Create an invention that would make your life easier or more fun. It has to be something that doesn't already exist. Draw it, label it's parts, and write a description of how it functions.

Illustrate a scene from your favorite book, include characters, setting...etc. On the back of your sketch, explain what book and which scene you chose.

Practice drawing facial features- eyes, nose, mouth, ears. Draw multiple.

Create 3 characters. Draw them and write down their name, age, personality traits...etc. Then write a short story or comic about them.

Bonus: Find a current artist that you like online (facebook, instagram, google...etc.) and try to recreate one of their art works.