



SAMPLE QUESTIONS FOR ART GUIDES

What type of art work is this – a painting, sculpture, textile, mosaic, etc.?

What technique/materials did the artist used?

What do you see first, when you look at this work of art? Where does your eye go next? Why?

What types of forms do you see? Are they realistic, abstract, colorful, linear?

What do you notice about the surface of the work of art?

What kind of movement or rhythm do you see in this work of art?

What kind of shapes do you see? What types of colors do you see?

What is the subject of this work of art? What is going on? Does the work of art tell a story?

How old do you think this work of art is?

How do you think this work of art functioned? Based on what we've already talked about, do you think it was made for anyone in particular?

Based on what you learned about the artist, why do you think s/he was interested in its topic/subject?

If you were to give this work of art a title, what would it be? Why?

How does this work of art make you feel? Why?