

Common vocabulary

It is important that we share a common language when discussing the work we are undertaking.

Discovering Ideas:

apprehend	attend to	be aware of	be conscious of	collect
compare	conceive of	consider	detect	discern
distinguish	draw upon	encounter	examine	experience
experiment	explore	feel	fantasies	find
with				
get the idea	grasp	handle	hear	identify
imagine	interview	investigate	know	let
listen	look	make out	notice	observe
perceive	react	recall	recognize	record
respond to	search for	see	sense	smell
survey	taste	touch	undergo	use
view	watch	witness	work with	

Transforming Ideas:

adapt	adopt	alter	amplify	change
compose	convert	create	distort	elaborate
enlarge	exaggerate	expand	experiment	express
extend	generate	hypothesize	imagine	improve
improvise	interpret	invent	invite	modify
originate	plan	propose	rearrange	redesign
refine	reorder	represent	reshape	revise
select	shift	simplify	symbolize	test
				try out

Working with Media:

assemble	build	collect	combine	complete
construct	control	devise	do	employ
erect	execute	explore	fashion	form
join	make	manipulate	operate	practice
produce	put together	render	select	shape
test	try out	use		

Perceiving and Describing Art:

account for	analyse	apprehend	attend to	be aware of
be interested in	categories	classify	compare	differentiate

discern	distinguish	examine	emphasize	encounter
group	identify	look	mention	name
note	notice	observe	pair	point out
recognize	respond	see	select	sense
				view

Interpreting Art:

ascribe meaning to	attribute meaning to	characterize	cite
declare	determine	disclose	explain
form an opinion	get the idea	give meaning to	generalize
hypothesise	imagine	invent	infer
propose	speculate	suggest	theorise
translate	understand	verify	

Judging Art:

accept	admire	appraise	appreciate	approve
argue	assess	cite	criticise	debate
decide	determine	disapprove	estimate	evaluate
favor	form an opinion	give reason for	justify	like
order	prize	rate	reject	respect
think highly of	weigh			