

Adventures in Art: Recommended Core Lessons

The Visual Art ‘core lessons’ are a sequence of lessons from the Davis Publications ‘Adventures in Art’ text that are recommended by the district’s Visual Arts Curriculum Committee*. These lessons were selected from the 60 or so lessons contained in each grade level text for their correlation to the district scope and sequence for Art, and as being the most user-friendly for teachers with little art background.

The lessons selected were either drawing, painting or papercraft lessons, with a few exceptions, at each grade level. Core lessons are listed in their recommended sequence. If teachers attempt all the core lessons over the course of the year, it means that one art lesson would be presented approximately every two weeks in the elementary classroom. Supplemental lessons listed cover three dimensional mediums, such as clay, and include other lessons that were deemed noteworthy for those who would like to try them.

Kindergarten:

Core Lessons: U2, Lessons 1, 2, U7, lessons 2,3, U3 Lesson 1, U9, lesson 1-3, U10, lessons 1-3, U14, lessons 1-3, U11, lessons 1, 2, U12, lesson 1,2.

Supplemental Lessons: Complete above units, plus Units 1, 8, 15, 17

First Grade:

Core Lessons: 1,2,3,5,U2,9,30,28,11,12,13,14,22,23,21,51,52,53,60

Supplemental Lessons: 6,8,15,27,24,28,33,35,39

Second Grade:

Core Lessons: U2, 16,1,2,6,24,25,27,8,21,17,12,13,14,18,19,U3,26,45,60

Supplemental Lessons: 7,16,20,31-33,35,52

Third Grade:

Core Lessons: 35,U2,2,8,6,11,13,16,18,14,15,20,17,R1,1,23,26,27,R2,R4

Supplemental Lessons: 3,6,8,12,15,20, 53-55, 57-58

Fourth Grade:

Core Lessons: Make a sketchbook, 4,5,25,6,2,8,13,17,18,R2,15,16,22,26,R1,R4

Supplemental Lessons: 1-3, 9,14,U2,25,40,46,54,55,57,58

Fifth Grade:

Core Lessons: Make a Sketchbook, 2, 3, 1&22(combined),18,19,7,23,10,41, 8,25,26,27,12,15,R1,R2,R4

Supplemental Lessons: U1,3,10,16,22,28,29,33,36,46,47,54

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