

Blackout Poetry Art Project

Artwork Goal: Create a blackout poetry artwork that combines words and visuals to express a unified theme or emotion. Your finished piece should be visually engaging, expressive, and connected in tone and symbolism to your poem.



Instructions

Step 1: Find Your Words

- ◆ Look over your page of text. Lightly circle a few words that stand out or feel interesting.

Step 2: Add Connections

- ◆ Read the page again and circle a few more words that connect or fit together.

Step 3: Choose Your Final Words

- ◆ Pick your favorite words — these are the ones you'll keep for your final artwork.

Step 4: Plan Your Design

- ◆ Erase extra circles. Think about the feeling or message your words create.
- ◆ Plan a design or image that matches that mood or idea.

Step 5: Sketch

- ◆ Lightly sketch your design around the words you want to keep.
- ◆ Make sure your chosen words stay easy to read.

Step 6: Create with Mixed Media

- ◆ Use any combination of colored pencils, stencils, pens, pencils, watercolor, or Sharpies.
- ◆ Blend materials creatively! Think about texture, color, and symbolism.
- ◆ Your art should reflect the tone of your poem as well as your personal art style.

Step 7: Finish and Refine

- ◆ Black out (cover) all the unused words neatly.
- ◆ Add color, shading, and final details.
- ◆ Most of your page should have
- ◆ Make sure your words and visuals work together as one expressive piece.

Checklist:

- My chosen words form a clear message or feeling
- My design relates to the meaning of my words/poem.
- My words are easy to read.
- My page is neatly “blacked out” and visually interesting.
- Most (75%) of my page has been covered with artwork.
- My artwork demonstrates my best effort, time care and attention to detail.

