Learning to See, Seeing to Learn: Visual Literacy in Education

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Interacting with Images

"Teaching Art" by Mario Glambattista https://www.flickr.com/photos/mariogiambattista/8445168579/
Analyzing Artifacts

Image Detective

Read an image closely. Think critically about turn of the century America.

Choose a picture to start.

Students:
About this activity

Teachers:
Use this exercise to build students' skills in analyzing historical documents
More about the method

SEE HOW A SCHOLAR INVESTIGATES AN IMAGE

Image Detective,
Library of Congress
http://cct2.edc.org/PMA/image_detective/index.html
OK! You've Chosen to Investigate This Image.

*Start by posing a question.*
IMAGE DETECTIVE  A SCHOLAR’S READING...

I'M RANDY BASS, AN AMERICAN STUDIES SCHOLAR AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY IN WASHINGTON, DC.
HERE'S WHAT I SEE IN THIS IMAGE.

MY QUESTION:
"I'M WONDERING WHAT THESE PEOPLE ARE DOING.
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE A FAMILY GATHERED AROUND THE DINING TABLE, BUT THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE THEY'RE EATING.
WHAT ARE THEY DOING?"

NEXT-->
CONCLUSION

MY GUESS IS THAT THIS IS AN IMMIGRANT FAMILY AND THAT THEY'RE WORKING AT HOME, MAKING AND PACKAGING SOMETHING -- MAYBE ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, OR CANDIES.

THE MAIN EVIDENCE FOR THIS ARE THEIR BUSY HANDS, THEIR FOCUSED EYES, THE FACT THAT THEY DON'T APPEAR TO BE SMILING OR TALKING, AND ALSO, THE ARRANGEMENT OF MATERIALS AROUND THEM.

THIS ALSO MAKES ME WONDER -- DOES EACH PERSON IN THE FAMILY HAVE A DIFFERENT JOB TO DO ON THE PRODUCT? ARE THEY WORKING IN ASSEMBLY LINE FASHION, AS IF THEY WERE IN A FACTORY?

NEXT-->
Write the conversation that happened between these two that ended with the cat bowing to the parakeet.

There was to be a party... [finish the story]

Write a poem that describes what this owl is feeling.

The old bureau in grandma's attic was empty except for one small box. Tell the story of the item found in that box.

Pinterest board by Karen McMillan
http://www.pinterest.com/missmcmillan/writing-prompts/
How Would You Feel If Your Doctor Looked Like This?

Posted on September 25, 2012

How would you react if your doctor looked like this?

this one came from a student

Visual Writing Prompts

https://visualwritingprompts.wordpress.com/
Photography in the MakerSpace

“Mikes got the camera” by Amanda Lockwood
https://www.flickr.com/photos/amandacphoto/3136466060/
Curate

"Memories" by martinak15 https://www.flickr.com/photos/martinaphotography/7077601607/
Residence in Franklin Square
4 Franklin Square, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866, USA
25 July 1953
182 Views

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Tags: residence, house, home, GottschalSchlesner, Gottscho, Samuel Gottschal

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http://www.historypin.com/
One photo a day for a year: mostly original, some scanned, all meaningful in some way. It's a snapshot of my life.
Digital Footprint and Ethical Sharing

“monroe, day 3: footprints and bassinet” by Sarah Gilbert https://www.flickr.com/photos/cafemama/954301207/
Think Before You Post...

WHO MIGHT BE ABLE TO READ THIS?

COULD SOMEONE MISINTERPRET WHAT I'M SAYING?

AM I SHOWING A BAD SIDE OF MYSELF?

AM I REVEALING TOO MUCH ABOUT MYSELF?

AM I POSTING IN ANGER?

COULD SOMEONE FEEL DISRESPECTED?

"Think before you post" by Royan Lee http://spicylearning.files.wordpress.com/2010/11/think-before-you-post.jpg
Understand how to use social networking sites appropriately
Respect privacy rights and copyright laws

“No more photos!!!” by imelda https://www.flickr.com/photos/imelda/8109207126/
NO PHOTOGRAPHY IN THIS GALLERY

"Gallery 62 Modern Art" by Oxfordshire Churches  https://www.flickr.com/photos/oxfordshirechurches/6776997347/
Create a positive footprint

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t1emxcttgKE

Student Book Trailers Examples
"Macaca nigra self-portrait (rotated and cropped)" by Self-portrait by the depicted Macaca nigra female; rotated and cropped by David Slater. See article. - Daily Mail.

Selfie!
Always cite sources, including images

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Imagine a world comprised only of images.

-Avid

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-Henry David Thoreau

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Questions/Comments?

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