

January Fundamentals Week 1

LIGHT AND DARK	Van Gogh	<i>Description</i>	<i>supplies needed</i>
Arrival Activity	Paper Plate Crowns	Decorate your paper plate with crayon and watercolors. Cut along prepared lines and flip to make a crown like Max's	paper plates, liquid watercolors, brushes, crayons, scissors
CIRCLE TIME:	Where the Wild Things Are	Look at VanGogh's Starry Night and talk about the picture. Read Where the Wild Things Are. Grab instruments and have a "wild rompus" wearing the crowns from arrival	Book, musical instruments
ART LESSON	Create a fantasy world	Use black construction paper with oil and chalk pastels to draw our own magical dream world, like the island or VanGoghs Starry night. What does your world have it in?	half sheets of black paper, oil pastels, chalk pastels
STATIONS:			
Table 1 -	Black Light Monster Drawing	Cover table with black paper and black light. Use highlighters and paper to make monster drawings	highlighters, black light, half sheets of paper
Table 2 -	Black Light Playdough	cover the tables with black paper and black light. Make glowing sculptures	Neon playdough, black light
Rug/floor -	Neon Blocks	Build with neon blocks under the fort	blocks, black light
Chalkboard -	Glowing Easel Paintings	Cover the chalkboard with ONE long sheet of butcher paper. Fill paint cups with neon paint	Neon paint, butcher paper, brushes
Sensory Mats -	Glow water	Fill under the bed box with highlighter water. Place towels nearby. Supply cups, droppers, and funnels.	Water toys, highlighter water

January Fundamentals Week 2

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Arrival Activity	Paint a Rainbow	Give each artists a palette of paint and striped paper. See what happens! :)	Palettes, brushes, pre-stripped paper
CIRCLE TIME:	Freight Train	Look at the art of VanGogh. Discuss what a LANDSCAPE IS. Draw a landscape (horizon, mostly) in your journal. Read Freight Train. Find the horizon the book. Use small rectangular sponges and colored paint to make a train along the horizons in your journal	VanGogh pictures, book, tempera paint, small rectangular sponges, markers
ART LESSON	Paint a Freight Train	Draw a big horizon your paper. Decide what's in the sky and what's on the ground. Use paint, markers, crayons and sponges (from circle time) to create your freight train.	Large easel paper. Markers, crayons, paint, brushes, sponges
STATIONS:			
Table 1 -	Black Light Train Drawing	Cover table with black paper and black light. Use highlighters and paper to make train drawings	highlighters, black light, half sheets of paper
Table 2 -	Black Light Playdough	cover the tables with black paper and black light. Make glowing sculptures	Neon playdough, black light
Rug/floor -	Neon Blocks	Build with neon blocks under the fort	blocks, black light
Chalkboard -	Glowing Easel Paintings	Cover the chalkboard with ONE long sheet of butcher paper. Fill paint cups with neon paint	Neon paint, butcher paper, brushes
Sensory Mats -	Glow water	Fill under the bed box with highlighter water. Place towels nearby. Supply cups, droppers, and funnels.	Water toys, highlighter water

January Fundamentals Week 3

LIGHT AND DARK	Van Gogh	<i>Description</i>	<i>supplies needed</i>
Arrival Activity	Shadow Drawing	Hang black curtain in the classroom. Turn off lights. Set up "shadow stations" using the lamps. Clip cutouts to wire stands and show students how to trace the shadowing shapes	table lamps, black curtain, whole sheets of paper, shape cutouts, drawing materials
CIRCLE TIME:	Flashlight	Look at the art of Vincent VanGogh. Where are the light parts? Where are the dark parts? Turn the lights off. Read the book by flashlight/spotlight	Book, flashlights, spotlight, fingerlights
ART LESSON	Black and white paintings	Make palettes with black and white paint. Free paint. Add color if time allows. What does black do to a color? What does white do?	Tempera paints, palettes, brushes, 9x12 paper
STATIONS:			
Table 1 -	Black and white playdough	Open ended play with black and white playdough	black and white playdough and add-ins
Table 2 -	Compressed charcoal drawing	Open ended drawing	charcoal, blending sticks, quarter sheets of paper
Rug/floor -	Finger lights with containers and blocks	Open ended play with lights and blocks	finger lights, blocks, containers
Chalkboard -	Shadow Play	Set spotlights on table facing the chalkwall. Provide chalk. Show how to trace hands, portraits, etc.	chalk, spotlights
Sensory Mats -	Light box with mosaic tiles	Make mosaic art on the light table using glue/q-tips and small sheets of paper	glue, q-tips, mosaic tiles, quarter sheets of paper, light box

