

EDVARD MUNCH — *THE SCREAM* UNIT

Unit Focus: This unit takes a look at Edvard Munch's *The Scream* and the use of the image and its likenesses, then create an image of what makes them 'scream' using digital photography and Photoshop, as well as create a maze from their 'scream' image.

Artist: Edvard Munch

Art Image: *The Scream*

Time Period / Style: Expressionism

Goals & Objectives: (VAS=Visual Arts Standard, ES=Employability Skills, TS=Technology Skills)

- Students will read online biographical information about Edvard Munch and complete accompanying word search. (VAS4.1, VAS4.2, TS3)
- Students will read article "When the Sky Ran Red: The Story Behind *The Scream*" and blog three bits of information about why the sky might have really been red around the time Munch created *The Scream*. (TS3)
- Students will review a variety of *The Scream* images available. (VAS5.1, VAS5.2, VAS5.3, TS2, TS3)
- Students will complete Scream maze. (TS3)
- Students will blog an answer to the question "What makes you 'scream?'" (TS2)
- Students will create an image that answers "What makes you 'scream?'" by having a digital photograph of them 'screaming' to place in front of a background image of something that makes them 'scream' using the polygonal lasso tool, quick selection tool, and/or magic wand tool to cut out their image to place it on a layer in front of their selected or created background. (VAS1.1, VAS1.2, VAS2.1, VAS2.2, VAS2.3, VAS3.1, VAS3.2, ES4, ES5, TS1, TS3, TS6)
- Students will create two-page in Comic Life for their graphic novel/notebook that features an image of the original *The Scream* and the image that they created that illustrates what makes them 'scream,' as well as three bits of information about how the sky might have really been red around the time Munch created *The Scream*, five facts about Edvard Munch and/or *The Scream*, and what makes them scream and why. (VAS1.1, VAS1.2, ES4, ES5, TS1, TS2, TS3, TS4, TS6)

Cross-Curricular Ties:

- Reading — "When the Sky Ran Red: The Story Behind *The Scream*" article
- Writing — Blog entry about three bits of information about how the sky might have really been red around the time Munch created *The Scream*
- Vocabulary —
- Math —
- Science — "When the Sky Ran Red: The Story Behind *The Scream*" article
- Social Studies —
- Other — Technology (blog, wiki, Photoshop, Comic Life)

Resources:

Website(s): Biographical information <http://www.edvard-munch.com/>

Home Alone movie poster http://www.movieposter.com/poster/MPW-33289/Home_Alone.html

Home Alone 2 movie poster http://www.movieposter.com/poster/A70-11660/Home_Alone_2.html

Scream maze <http://www.teamofmonkeys.com/>

Time magazine cover October 6, 2008

<http://www.time.com/time/covers/0,16641,20081006,00.html>

Dentist cartoon http://www.cartoonstock.com/directory/t/the_scream.asp

M&Ms Dark Chocolate advertisement

http://www.artnews.com/issues/article.asp?art_id=2486

Homer Simpson http://www.gbposters.com/the_simpsons_scream_maxi_poster

Article "When the Sky Ran Red: The Story Behind *The Scream*" (*Sky & Telescope*, February 2004, p. 28) <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/about/pressreleases/3308421.html?page=1&c=y>

*Links were live and accurate as of September 1, 2009.

Video(s) / Film(s): Bridgestone Scream Commercial Super Bowl XLII 2008

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gwuYzj6rdAc>

Book(s):

Equipment: computers, digital cameras

Software: Photoshop, Comic Life

Suggested Teaching Strategies/Learning Opportunities:

Read biographical information about Edvard Munch at <http://www.edvard-munch.com/> and complete word search.

Read an online article "When the Sky Ran Red: The Story Behind *The Scream*" that theorizes about the type of sky Munch would have seen and blog three bits of information about how the sky might have really been red around the time Munch created *The Scream*.

Review the variety of *The Scream* images available.

Complete *The Scream* maze from <http://www.teamofmonkeys.com/>

Blog an answer to the question, "What makes you scream?"

Create an image that answers "What makes you 'scream?'" by having a digital photograph of them 'screaming' to place in front of a background image of something that makes them 'scream' using the polygonal lasso tool, quick selection tool, and/or magic wand tool to cut out their image to place it on a layer in front of their selected or created background.

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Evaluation of Content Knowledge:

Word search based on Edvard Munch biographical information.

Blog three bits of information about how the sky might have really been red around the time Munch created *The Scream*.

The Scream maze.

Image that answers, "What makes you 'scream?'"

Working knowledge of Comic Life...ongoing informal assessment.

Two-page Comic Life layout.

Student Example:



Student created sample based on Edvard Munch's *The Scream*

Edvard Munch

K N F L I T H O G R A P H S R F Q R
M A I M O G Q O U O G W P W L F D R
S O I W S C W F L K A V X G M C E W
E B D P L E N G I N E E R W M T C D
L J D Q O X R X U G U F M X N N J M
F E A E X P R E S S I O N I S M A K
P C O L U O H S V T V S A W L E N G
O T S S E N D N I L B P P J R N A N
R I S M E Q D B K K V P W C T D I I
T O G T U B E R C U L O S I S U T K
R N N U F I J N A F G E V X D G S N
A A E T C H I N G S H M M T E Y I I
I B X U C Z E M U T U J O X P I R R
T L K K O N O R W A Y S U B T Z H D
H E O W L V J X P N W N I Y M M C L

Edvard Munch was from _____

Munch's "Vampire" was seen as _____

The period of art that Munch is associated with _____

Munch's father, a military doctor _____

In 1881, Munch paints his first _____

In 1894, Munch produces his first (2 things) _____

A broken vessel in his right eye causes near total _____

Upon his death, Munch leaves thousands of prints to the city of _____

Deterioration in Munch's health is caused by excessive _____

Munch's most famous painting _____

Munch's mother and a sister die from _____

Munch first went to college to be an _____

In 1880, Munch left college to become a _____

Word Search

Total _____ / 13

Discussion Board Entries Evaluation

Three bits of information from article about why the sky might have really been red posted on discussion board.

0 1 2 3

What makes you scream? discussion board entry.

0 1 2 3

Total _____ / 3

Maze

Total _____ / 5

What Makes You 'scream' Digital Image

Photoshop was used successfully to cut out around digital photograph

0 1 2 3 4 5

Photoshop was used successfully to place cut out photograph on appropriate background the illustrates what makes the student 'scream'

0 1 2 3 4 5

A likeness of *The Scream* is unmistakable

0 1 2 3 4 5

Total _____ / 15

Life Two-Page Layout Evaluation

Includes an image of the original *The Scream* and the student-created image featuring their scream

0 1 2

Includes three bits of information about why the sky might have really been red.

0 1 2 3

Includes information about what makes them 'scream' and why

0 1 2 3

Includes five facts about Edvard Munch and/or *The Scream*

0 1 2 3 4 5

Total _____ / 13