

Andy Goldsworthy Inspired - Nature as Art

For this assignment you are going to need to get outdoors! The weather is getting nicer and I want you to make the most of it! Go for a walk or a hike, sit on your front porch, or go into your own backyard. Take a look at your environment. Sit and feel the sun on your face and the breeze in the air, listen to the sounds really take in the nature that is around you.



Art can be created using nearly any medium; artists use paint, clay, and charcoal to create their works. Artists like Andy Goldsworthy, though, use materials that are a little more unexpected. Andy Goldsworthy is a renowned British artist who works with found natural elements and creates incredible intricate art pieces around the world.

Goldsworthy is inspired by all aspects of the natural world, including snowflakes, twigs, icicles, reeds, tree roots, and rocks. He has said that his goal is to understand nature by becoming a part of it, and he considers his creations to be transient because they, like any other part of nature, are destined to change over time.

MEDIUM EXAMPLES

- Leaves
- Twigs or Branches
- Flowers
- Rocks

ANYTHING goes!



REQUIREMENTS:

- You will create your best work of art **using found objects in nature.**
- Your artwork should take **at least ONE HOUR** to create. It is very clear to me when something took 5 minutes vs. 60 minutes.
- Reflection – You need to answer the reflection questions and send along with your photo.

NOTE: Failure to meet these requirements will result in points taken off.



Step 1: GET OUTSIDE

PLEASE Be safe about this!

Use your 5 senses to take in your surroundings.

What do you ***See? Hear? Smell? Taste? Touch?***

Step 2: PLANNING - *What objects will you use to create your artwork*

Take the time and enjoy the outdoors. Relax. Take this time to reflect on your thoughts and ideas and BREATH. Be curious and look around for interesting objects.

Step 3: CREATE YOUR ARTWORK

- Take progress pictures! It's exciting to see how a piece comes along.
- Build on a clean surface. If you're working outside, be mindful of your surroundings. (Leaves might blow away if it's windy!)
- When you're finished, snap a clear photo of your work!

Step 4: REFLECT – Answer the following questions in paragraph or bullet form.

- What was your experience in nature – where did you go? What did you see? Smell? Hear? Touch? Taste?
- Explain what you have chosen to create for this final assignment.
- What materials did you use and why?
- What do you like about your final artwork? Did you surprise yourself?
- If anything, what would you change about your artwork? Did you face any challenges while creating this piece of art?

Step 5: SUBMIT WORK - Please send a picture of your artwork AND your reflection.

How can you send your work? 1 of 3 ways.

1. Send through Office 365 TEAMS (each of you have an account and are already added to your class TEAM)
2. Send through the Remind app
3. Email to me at [_____](#)

Check out some of the amazing artist's and examples below for ideas!

Please contact me if you need help.

EXAMPLES:



