

## Sketchbook Prompt List Doerrer

### Directions:

We will have a 10 – 15 minute sketchbook prompt at the beginning of every class. Some days Mrs. Doerrer will have a sketchbook prompt on the board for you to complete and other days you will choose a prompt from this list.

\* Sketchbook Cover: Create cover on your sketchbook based on your identity. Media: Cut paper, collage, drawing, painting, words, etc.

\* Draw an imaginary room

\* Draw yourself as you will look when you are 80 years old (or any other age)

\* Draw a flying frog

\* Draw a clock cooking a meatloaf

\* Draw the monster that hides under the bed.

\* List 10 things the color BLUE (or other color: list color) reminds you of.

\* Draw your greatest fear.

\* Draw things that float.

\* Draw things with wheels.

\* Draw things that roll.

\* Draw things that close.

\* Draw things that come from eggs.

\* Be an ant. Draw what you would see in the cafeteria.

\* If you had a candy bar named after you, what would it look like and what would it be called.

\* If you were a flower, what kind would you be? Draw a picture of yourself as this flower.

\* Express in your drawing, your happiest time that you've had in the past year.

\* Draw something that you are good at doing or playing.

\* If I could be a color, I'd be \_\_\_\_\_ because.... Direction: Write Your Answer in Words then draw a picture.

\* Draw a picture of something you'd like to become better at doing.

\* Using any type of line or shape, create a picture with only the 3 primary colors.

\* An alien spaceship has landed in the schoolyard. Draw a picture of it.

\* High in the Himalayan Mountains lives an abominable snowperson. Draw what the snowperson looks like.

\* You have made a startling discovery while scuba diving. Draw what it is.

\* Have you ever been to a circus? Draw a picture of your favorite act with yourself as the ringmaster.

\* Draw a picture of one of your family members at work.

\* Draw a picture of your shoe Draw it again from another view.

\* Draw your hand in 5 different positions.

\* Draw a picture of your pet or the pet you would LOVE to have.

\* Fill your page with drawings of different bugs.

\* Fill your page with drawings of something that you collect.

\* Draw a family member or a friend.

\* Draw a picture of yourself as you think you might look in 10 years.

\* Have you ever had a daydream instead of doing your work? Draw a picture of your daydream.

\* Draw a picture of your house and yard with a BIG, HUGE, dinosaur in the yard.

\* What is the best story your grandmother/grandfather tells you about the olden days? Draw a picture of this story.

\* Draw a picture of your favorite (or least favorite) part about school.

\* Draw a picture of your dream car.

\* If you could cast a magic spell, what would it be? Draw a picture of it.

\* The famous American Pop artist Andy Warhol said, "Everyone will have at least fifteen minutes of fame in a lifetime." Illustrate your 15 minutes of fame. What are you famous for? What are you doing? What are you wearing?...

\* A new musical group has asked you to design a CD COVER for them that illustrates their music. Be sure that your design is original and does not use any other group's design. Draw this NEW CD cover.

\* Draw a picture of your dream house.

\* Design your own bedroom floor plan.

\* Think of 3 different animals. Draw the head of one, the body of the second, and the legs of the third one. Give it a name and write the name under the picture.

\* Draw yourself screaming because you are scared.

\* Draw the silliest thing you ever saw.

\* Draw a monster truck.

\* Draw a spider that nobody has ever seen before.

\* Draw what you would look like if you received a MEDAL at the US OLYMPICS.

\* Draw a character from a book you like.

\* Quickly sketch out an original design of a soda can label. Make a brand name, an image, and a slogan to create a market identity.

Write a catchy slogan.

\* Draw an object. What if it got bigger? Smaller? Bolder? Draw it again.

\* Illustrate your favorite quote.

\* Draw a picture of the inside of your stomach and the food in it after a big meal.

\* Draw your idea of Paradise.

\* If animals could draw, what would their artwork look like? Draw their artwork.

\* Draw a necktie and design an interesting pattern on it.

\* Draw a medal for yourself. It must be designed for the thing you do best.

\* Draw a city on another planet.

\* You are a toy designer; draw your new toy.

\* Draw a logo for a new TV show.

\* Draw a picture of yourself the way you will look 20 years from now.

\* Draw a picture of the perfect garden for your house.

\* Draw a scene from your early childhood.

\* Draw a parade.

\* Draw an album cover for your favorite singer

\* Draw a picture of where you would like to fly to.

\* Draw a poster to advertise your favorite movie.

\* Draw a construction site.

\* Draw your view from an airplane window.

\* Draw a scene on another planet and include another kind of being.

\* Draw a picture of an ideal wedding ceremony.

- \* Draw a picture of someone you would like to visit.
- \* Draw what you think a garden would look like from the view of an insect.
- \* Draw a sandcastle.
- \* Draw a house built underground.
- \* Draw what a spaceship commander would see on his video screen.
- \* Draw a view under a magnifying glass (include the magnifying glass).
- \* Draw the boat you would like to travel in around the world.
- \* Draw a scientist's top secret project.
- \* Draw a new piece of sculpture for a museum's sculpture garden.
- \* Draw a picture of yourself if you grew flowers instead of hair.
- \* An imaginative architect has changed the look of the skyline with an innovative new building; draw the building.
- \* Draw an idea that came into your head by thinking of food.
- \* Draw an idea that came into your head through your ears.
- \* Draw an idea that came into your head through your fingers.
- \* Draw an idea that came into your head through your feet.
- \* Take any one of the ideas you have already drawn and revise it -  
- redesign it.
- \* Write a large number in the middle of a page. Turn it into a person/animal.
- \* Combine a plant and an animal to create a new life form.
- \* Add a machine to a shape (square, circle, etc.) to create a new invention.
- \* Draw a picture. Cut your pictures into squares. Paste the squares into a new design.
- \* Draw a picture. Fold your picture into a fan. Cut little shapes out of the fan (like cutting snowflakes). Open the picture up and glue onto a second sheet.
- \* Illustrate a famous saying/quotation.
- \* Draw yourself in a mood.
- \* Draw things that make noise and illustrate the sound.
- \* Draw things that float.
- \* Draw things with a flavor.
- \* Draw your greatest fear.
- \* Draw things that close.

- \* Illustrate something nostalgic from the past. For example a car from the 1950's, the first camera invented, the first TV invented, how people used to dress in the year 1800, etc.
- \* Draw the world from the point of view of a frog/toad.
- \* Draw your own game board.
- \* Draw a "how to" poster illustrating how to make cookies, take out the trash, make your bed, put on sneakers, etc.
- \* Draw yourself with wings.
- \* Draw things that come from eggs.
- \* Draw a comic strip with your own characters. Include at least 2 characters and 2 frames.
- \* Draw your dream college dorm room.
- \* Design an advertisement for yourself.
- \* Design a new license plate for California.
- \* Illustrate words such as up, upside down, apart, crazy, sane...
- \* Design new methods of transportation.
- \* Design a new map of the USA.
- \* Create an imaginary alphabet.
- \* Draw a Bulldog in an historical outfit.
- \* Design a costume for 2090.
- \* Draw old-fashioned puppets.
- \* Illustrate: If you were the tallest person in the world.
- \* Draw a view of the jungle.
- \* Draw a lost dog.
- \* Draw how you would be if you were the last person on earth.
- \* Draw yourself dressed in clothing from the 1970's.
- \* Draw your best friend.
- \* Draw your birthday wish list.
- \* Draw yourself in the style of your favorite artist.
- \* Draw a "fantasy" house.
- \* Draw a bubble with a new world inside of it.
- \* Draw a leaf. Fill the page with different kinds of leaves.
- \* Draw a mirror and all it reflects.
- \* Draw your favorite animal with a human face.
- \* Draw yourself as a robot.
- \* Draw your favorite song.
- \* Draw your favorite photograph.
- \* Draw your favorite person (from life).
- \* List 10 things a color such as red reminds you of.

- \* Look at Van Gogh's bedroom. Reproduce the drawing inserting modern objects.
- \* Express in a drawing your happiest moment in the past year.
- \* Express in a drawing something you are good at.
- \* Draw a picture of something you'd like to become better at.
- \* Draw a picture of your shoe, overlapping three different views on the same page.
- \* Camouflage something (a bug on a leaf, you in your room, a lizard on a rock) by texture or color
- \* three frogs playing leap frog
- \* A frog falling into a hole.
- \* Draw yourself at 16 years old, 30 and 80 years old. Triptych
- \* Draw the "Thinker" sculpture as an animal.
- \* Distort something.
  
- \* Draw a collections of objects: toys, books (opened, closed, stacked), kitchen utensils, art materials, contrasting texture items, knick-knack collections, crumpled paper bags, still life's of fruit or vegetables, clothing hung from hooks or chair backs, assorted balls, a collection of cans from the pantry or shampoo bottles from the shower. Stacks of shoes. Old hats. Spools of thread.
- \* Fantasy art: draw a mythological interpretations, invented creatures from actual live creatures, fables and fairy tales.
- \* Illustrate a scene from a book you read.
  
- \* draw junk food with the wrapper
- \* Zoom in on part of a vehicle
- \* instead of a hand... your foot ( no socks or shoe)
- \* Draw something not pretty
- \* an interior of something (the inside of a jar of peanut butter, inside a purse/bag, inside the fridge...)
- \* inside of closet
- \* 3 unlikely objects together
- \* part of any object ( mystery draw)
- \* a scene that depicts peace
- \* Illustrate your favorite poem
- \* Draw the contents of a trash can
- \* Drawing of a house plant (real or artificial)
- \* Draw an object with a surface texture.
- \* Draw tools used in certain profession.

- \* Draw something you might find in a department store display
- \* Draw a large jar and fill it up with something (candy, toys, rock, etc)
- \* Design a school desk
- \* Draw your favorite snack food
- \* Draw an object melting
- \* Draw a bowl of fruit, shade it.
- \* Draw hands holding something
- \* Draw a mechanical object
- \* Word picture: select a word that brings to mind a mental picture, Draw the word as the shape of the object. Such as the word apple in the shape of an apple, or apples spelling out the word.
- \* Draw popcorn
- \* Keyhole: what would you see through a keyhole
- \* Select an above or below point of view in a specific area (your room, kitchen, bathroom, outside, in a car, etc. Complete this drawing paying attention to details. You may complete the drawing in pencil, colored pencil, pen, etc.
- \* Choose a portion of a magazine or newspaper picture. Glue that picture on a page in your sketchbook. Create a drawing that incorporates that picture into a story. You may use more than one magazine or newspaper image BUT the artwork should be made mainly from your added drawings. This artwork should span 2 pages. You may use color or shading. OR you could use a color scheme (monochromatic, etc.)
- \* Choose an enclosed space- a kitchen cabinet, a television, an oven, a refrigerator, in a drawer or closet. What human qualities do the objects in the enclosed space assume when no one is watching? Do the mustard bottles dance? Do the socks play cards? This can be one page with details...be sure and show the interior of the space as well as the objects.
- \* Draw an animal turning into a household object.
- \* If you got a holiday card from one of these artists what would it look like? Pablo Picasso, Berthe Morisot, Salvador Dali, Georgia O'Keefe, Vincent Van Gogh, Frida Kahlo
- \* Arrange three related objects (3 kitchen items, 3 shoes, sports equipment, etc.) into a composition. Draw on one page using a light source and shading

\* Create an image using only found images (from magazines, newspapers, worksheets, etc.) The image should communicate a message or tell a story

\* Look at yourself in a spoon- draw the distorted image

\* What happens when a 6-foot tall squirrel shows up in your yard?

\* Identify an object that relates to your identity. Create an artwork that uses the image of that object (or the actual object) as the SINGLE FOCUS of the artwork. Open media.

\* Fill in the blank... "I am a \_\_\_\_\_ in this world." Use the text of the completed sentence to inform the artwork. Open Media.

\* Answer these questions with an image: At age six I was \_\_\_\_\_, At age twelve I was \_\_\_\_\_, Now I am \_\_\_\_\_, At age 25 I will be \_\_\_\_\_, At age 75 I will be \_\_\_\_\_

\* Illustrate a dream you have had using only 5 symbols (single images that communicate ideas) this may take one or two pages. You may use color or black and white to complete the image. Consider what you know about composition, emphasis, etc. as you build the images.

\* Make a detailed drawing of your hand holding something related to the fall season OR related to school. Make the drawing large enough that it touches all the edges of the page. You may add color or use shading

\* Your choice- create a one or two page drawing that demonstrates several of your strongest art skills.

\* Create a design using elements from magazine or newspaper images. Cut and paste the images onto the page in your sketchbook to create the design.

\* Practice observational drawing skills by drawing from the following list: Shoes, Corner of a room in your house, Create an arrangement of objects, use a lamp or other light to make dramatic shadows, your pet, Creative views of your car, bicycle, skateboard, etc., Make the image reach all the way to the edges of the page. Demonstrate what you know about point of view, emphasis, composition, positive and negative space, etc.

\* What would you see if you grew wings and flew over our town?

\* What if your big toe became its own person?

\* What if you suddenly became very, very small?