

AccessArt Progression (Skills and Knowledge) for Primary Schools Years 1 to 6

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Year 1	Purple = Substantive Knowledge		Green = Implicit Knowledge / Skills		www.accessart.org.uk	
Drawing	Sketchbooks	Printmaking	Painting	Collage	Making	Purpose/Visual Literacy/Articulation
Understand drawing is a physical activity.	Introduce what a sketchbook is for. Understand it is owned by	Understand prints are made by transferring an image from one surface to	Understand watercolour is a media which uses water and pigment.	Understand collage is the art of using elements of paper to make images.	Understand that sculpture is the name sometimes given for artwork which	Look at the work of draughtspeople, sculptors, and painters, listening to
Understand there is a	the pupil for	another.			exists in three dimensions.	the artists' intention
relationship between drawings on paper (2d)	experimentation and exploration.	Understand relief prints	Understand we can use a variety of brushes, holding	Understand we can create our own papers with which	Understand the meaning	behind the work and the context in which it was
and making (3d). That we		are made when we print	them in a variety of ways	to collage.	of "Design through	made.
can transform 2d drawings		from raised images	to make watercolour		Making"	
into 3d objects.	Make a simple elastic band	(plates).	marks.	Collage with painted		Understand we may all
Explore lines made by a	sketchbook. Personalise it.	Use hands and feet to	Explore watercolour in an	papers exploring colour,	Use a combination of two or more materials to make	have different responses in terms of our thoughts and
drawing tool, made by	Use sketchbooks to:	make simple prints, using	intuitive way to build	shape and composition.	sculpture.	the things we make. That
moving fingers, wrist,	ose sketchbooks to.	primary colours.	understanding of the	Combine collage with	scarpture.	we may share similarities.
elbow, shoulder and body.	Test out printmaking ideas,		properties of the medium.	making by cutting and	Use construction methods	Understand all responses
Work at a scale to	develop experience of	Collect textured objects		tearing drawn imagery,	to build.	are valid.
accommodate exploration.	primary and secondary colours, make notes,	and make rubbings, and press them into plasticine	Paint without a fixed image of what you are painting in	manipulating it into simple 3d forms to add to	Work in a playful,	Reflect upon the artists'
Use colour (pastels, chalks)	practice observational	to create plates/prints	mind	sculpture.	exploratory way,	work, and share your
intuitively to develop spiral	drawing, explore mark	(<u>relief printing</u>) exploring	mind	scarptare.	responding to a simple	response verbally ("I
drawings.	making.	how we ink up the plates	Respond to your painting,		brief, using Design through	liked").
		and transfer the image.	and try to "imagine" an		Making philosophy.	
Pupils draw from paused		Evelone someonto lika	image within.			Present your own artwork
film, observing detail using pencil, graphite,		Explore concepts like "repeat" "pattern"	Work back into your			(journey and any final outcome), reflect and
handwriting pen.		"sequencing".	painting with paint, pen or			share verbally ("I enjoyed
			coloured pencil to develop			This went well").
Pupils draw from first hand			the imaginative imagery.			
observation, observing						Some children may feel
detail using materials above plus pastel, oil						able to share their response about classmates
pastel and or pencil						work.
crayon.						

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Understand that we can use different media (sometimes combined in one drawing) to capture the nature of things we find.	Continue to build understanding that sketchbooks are places for personal experimentation.	Understand mono prints or mono types are prints made by drawing through an inked surface, transferring the marks on to another sheet.	Understand that some painters use expressive, gestural marks in their work, often resulting in abstract, expressionist painting.	Understand that we can combine collage with other disciplines such as drawing, printmaking and making.	Understand the role of an architect. Understand when we make sculpture by adding materials	Understand artists take their inspiration from around them, collecting and transforming. Understand that in art we can
	Understand that the way each persons' sketchbook looks is unique to them. Make a new sketchbook (Elastic Band of Hole Punch) OR make Spaces and Places inside a bought sketchbook. Make a new sketchbook (Elastic Band of Hole Punch) OR make Spaces and Places inside a bought sketchbook. Work in sketchbooks to: Explore the qualities of different media. Draw from paused film. Make close observational drawings of small objects, drawn to scale, working slowly, developing mark making. Explore colour and colour mixing. Make visual notes about artists studied.		expressionist painting. Understand that the properties of the paint that you use, and how you use it, will affect your mark making. Understand that primary colours can be mixed together to make secondary colours of different hues. Understand the concept of still life. Explore colour mixing through gestural mark making, initially working without a subject matter to allow exploration of media. Experiment with using home made tools. Create an arrangement of objects or elements. Use as the focus for an abstract still life painting using gestural marks using skills learnt above.	Use the observational drawings made (see column 1 "drawing"), cutting the separate drawings out and using them to create a new artwork, thinking carefully about composition. Work into the collage with further drawing made in response to the collaged sheet. Option to use collage with painting to create a still life (see column 4 "painting"). Collage with drawings to create invented forms. Combine with making if appropriate.	sculpture by adding materials it is called Construction. Use the Design through Making philosophy to construct with a variety of materials to make an architectural model of a building, considering shape, form, colour, and perspective. Consider interior and exterior. Use Design through Making philosophy to playfully construct towards a loose brief. Transform found objects into sculpture, using imagination and construction techniques including cutting, tying, sticking. Think about shape (2d), form (3d), texture, colour and structure.	Understand that in art we can experiment and discover things for ourselves. Look at the work of a printmaker, an architect, and artists and learn to dissect their work to help build understanding. Understand how the artists experience feeds into their work. Understand we may all have different responses in terms of our thoughts and the things we make. That we may share similarities. Understand all responses are valid. Reflect upon the artists' work, and share your response verbally ("I liked"). Present your own artwork (journey and any final outcome), reflect and share verbally ("I enjoyed This went well"). Talk about intention. Share responses to classmates work, appreciating similarities and differences. Document work using still image (photography) or by making a drawing of the work. If using photography consider lighting and focus. Some children may make films thinking about viewpoint,

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Understand that charcoal is a drawing medium that lends itself to loose, gestural marks made on a larger scale. Understand charcoal and earth pigment were our first drawing tools as humans.	Continue to build understanding that sketchbooks are places for personal experimentation. Understand that the way each persons' sketchbook looks is unique to them.	Understand that screen prints are made by forcing ink over a stencil. Understand that mono print can be used effectively to create prints which use line. That screen prints can be used	Understand that we can create imagery using natural pigments and light. Understand that paint acts differently on different surfaces.	Understand that we can combine collage with other disciplines such as drawing, printmaking and making.	Understand that many makers use other artforms as inspiration, such as literature, film, drama or music. Understand that when we make sculpture by moulding with our fingers it is called	To understand that visual artists look to other artforms for inspiration. Look at the work of a draughtsperson who uses gestural marks which convey movement, illustrators and makers who take inspiration from literature, painters who also use textiles and draughtspeople
Know that Chiaroscuro means "light/dark" and we can use the concept to explore tone in	Make a new sketchbook (Elastic Band of Hole Punch) OR make Spaces and Places	to create prints which use thicker lines and / or shapes.	Understand the concept of still life and landscape painting.	Cut shapes from paper (free hand) and use as elements with	modelling (an additive process). That clay and Modroc are soft materials which finally dry/set	who animate their work. Understand artists often collaborate on projects, bringing different skills together.
drawings. Understand that animators make drawings that move.	inside a bought sketchbook. Work in sketchbooks to:	Use mono print or screen print over collaged work to make a creative response to an original artwork. Consider use of layers to develop	Use paint, mixing colours, to complete the sculpture inspired by literature (see column 6 "making").	which to collage, combined with printmaking (see column 3 "printmaking") to	hard. An armature is an interior framework which support a sculpture.	Deconstruct and discuss an original artwork, using the sketchbooks to make visual notes to nurture pupils own creative response to the work.
Make marks using charcoal using hands as tools. Explore qualities of mark available using charcoal. Make charcoal drawings which explore Chiaroscuro and	Explore the qualities of charcoal. Make visual notes using a variety of media using the "Show Me What You See" technique when looking at other artists work to help consolidate learning and make	meaning.	Explore painting over different surfaces, e.g. cloth, and transfer drawing mark making skills into thread, <u>using stitch</u> to draw over the painted fabric.	make a creative response to an original artwork. Explore positive and negative shapes, line, colour and	Understand that articulated drawings can be animated. Use Modroc or air dry clay to model characters inspired by literature. Consider form,	Understand we may all have different responses in terms of our thoughts and the things we make. That we may share similarities. Understand all responses are valid.
which explore narrative/drama through lighting/shadow (link to drama). Option to explore making	the experience your own. Develop mark making skills. Brainstorm animation ideas. Experiment with pigments created from the local environment.		Explore creating pigments from materials around you (earth, vegetation). Use them to create an image which relates to the environment the	composition.	texture, character, structure. Make an armature to support the sculpture. Cut out drawings and make	Reflect upon the artists' work, and share your response verbally ("I liked I didn't understand it reminded me of"). Present your own artwork (journey and any final outcome), reflect and share
gestural drawings with charcoal using the whole body (link to dance). Develop mark making skills by			materials were found in. Option to use <u>light to create</u> imagery by exploring anthotype or cyanotype.		simple articulations to make drawings which can be animated. Combine with digital media to make animations.	verbally ("I enjoyed This went well I would have liked next time I might). Talk about intention. Work collaboratively to present outcomes
deconstructing the work of artists. Use imaginative and observational drawing skills to make drawings of people/animals which can be						to others where appropriate. Present as a team. Share responses to classmates work, appreciating similarities and differences. Listen to feedback about your own work and respond.
animated. Consider background, foreground and subject.						Document work using still image (photography) or by making a drawing of the work. If using photography consider lighting and focus. Some children may make films thinking about viewpoint, lighting & perspective.

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Understand that artists and illustrators interpret narrative texts and create sequenced drawings Understand artists can work with pattern for different reasons: Understand Surface Pattern Designers work to briefs to create patterns for products: Artists work with pattern to create paintings or other works. Understand working with pattern uses lots of different concepts including repetition, sequencing, symmetry. Understand that patterns can be purely decorative or hold symbolic significance. They can be personal or cultural. Create owned narratives by arranging toys in staged scenes, using these as subject matter to explore creation of drawings using charcoal and chalk which convey drama and mood. Use light and portray light/shadow. Interpret poetry or prose and create sequenced images in either an accordian or poetry comic format. Work in a variety of media according to intention, including handwriting pen, graphite or ink. Use colour, composition, elements, line, shape to create pattern working with tessellations, repeat pattern or folding patterns. Use a variety of drawing media including charcoal, graphite, wax resist and watercolour to make observational and experimental drawings. To feel able	-	Painting Understand that still life name given to the genre of painting (or making) a collection of objects/elements. That still life is a genre which artists have enjoyed for hundreds of years,, and which contemporary artists still explore today. To explore colour (and colour mixing), line, shape, pattern and composition in creating a still life. To consider lighting, surface, foreground and background. To use close observation and try different hues and tones to capture 3d form in 2 dimensions. (Option to use collage from painted sheets). Options to work in clay, making reliefs inspired by fruit still lives, or make 3d graphic still lives using ink and foamboard. To explore painting on different surfaces, e.g. fabric, and combine paint with 3d making. To make work as part of a community/class and understand how everyone can contribute towards a larger artwork.	Understand that a plinth is a device for establishing the importance or context of a sculptural object. Understand that artists can re-present objects, in a particular context with a particular intention, to change the meaning of that object. To understand that sometimes people themselves can be the object, as in performance art. To understand that make sculpture can be challenging. To understand its takes a combination of skills, but that we can learn through practice. That it is ok to take creative risks and ok if things go wrong as well as right. Explore how we can re-see the objects around us and represent them as sculptures. That we can use scale to re-examine our relationship to the things around us. To work in collaboration to explore how we can present ourselves as art object, using a plinth as a device to attract attention to us. To construct sculptural self portraits of ourselves on a plinth, using a variety of materials including fabric. Develop our construction skills, creative thinking and resilience skills by making sculpture which combines lots of materials. Use tools to help us construct and take creative risks by experimenting to see what happens. Use Design through Making philosophy and reflect at all stages to inform future making. To combine modelling with construction using mixed media and painting to create sculpture.	Purpose/Visual Literacy/Articulation Understand that Look at the work of illustrators and graphic artists, painters and sculptors. Understand the processes, intentions an outcomes of different artists, using visual notes in a sketchbook to help consolidate and own the learning. Understand artists often collaborate on projects, bringing different skills together. Deconstruct and discuss an original artwork, using the sketchbooks to make visual notes to nurture pupils own creative response to the work. Understand we may all have different responses in terms of our thoughts and the things we make. That we may share similarities. Understand all responses are valid. Reflect upon the artists' work, and share your response verbally ("I liked I didn't understand it reminded me of It links to"). Present your own artwork (journey and any final outcome), reflect and share verbally ("I enjoyed This went well I would have liked next time I might I was inspired by). Talk about intention. Work collaboratively to present outcomes to others where appropriate. Present as a team. Share responses to classmates work, appreciating similarities and differences. Listen to feedback about your own work and respond. Document work using still image (photography) or by making a drawing of the work. If using photography consider lighting and focus. Some children may make films thinking about	

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Understand that designers create fonts and work with Typography. Understand that some artists use graphic skills to create pictorial maps, using symbols (personal and cultural) to map identity as well as geography. Create fonts inspired by objects/elements around you. Use close observational drawing with pen to inspire, and use creative skills to transform into letters. Draw over maps/existing marks to explore how you can make mark making more visually powerful. Combine drawing with making to create pictorial / 3 dimension maps which explore qualities of your personality or otherwise respond to a theme. Explore line weight, rhythm, grip, mark making and shape, and explore how 2d can become 3d through manipulation of paper. Use charcoal, graphite, pencil, pastel to create drawings of atmospheric "sets" to help inform (though not design) set design (see column 6 "making").	Use sketchbooks to: Explore mark making made through mono types. Brainstorm ideas generated when reading poetry or prose. Make visual notes to capture, consolidate and reflect upon the artists studied. Explore ideas relating to set design (though do not use sketchbooks to design on paper), exploring thoughts about inspiration source, materials, textures, colours, mood, lighting etc. Experiment with different marks to capture the energy of a landscape. Explore colour, and colour mixing, working intuitively to mix hues and tints, but able to articulate the processes involved. Experiment with colour mixing and pattern, working towards creating paper "fabrics" for fashion design.	Understand that mono types are single monoprints. Understand that artists sometimes use printmaking to create a larger artwork, e.g. an installation or an artists book. Combine mono type with painting and collage to make an "artists book" inspired by poetry or prose. Explore colour, mixing different hues, and explore composition, working with different shaped elements, before using mono print to layer lines and marks.	Understand that there is a tradition of artists working from land, sea or cityscapes. That artists use a variety of media to capture the energy of a place, and that artists often work outdoors to do this. See column 3 "printmaking" to explore how print is combined with paint and collage to create a cohesive artwork. Explore how you can you paint (possibly combined with drawing) to capture your response to a place. Explore how the media you choose, combined with the marks you make and how you sue your body will affect the end result. Think about colour, composition and mark making. Think about light and dark, movement and energy. Mix colour intuitively to create painted sheets. Use pattern to decorate, working with more paint or ink. Transform these 2d patterned sheets into 3d forms or collaged elements to explore fashion design (see column 6 "making").	Understand that set designers can design/make sets for theatres or for animations. Understand that designers often create scaled models to test and share ideas with others. Understand that architects and other artists have responsibilities towards society. Understand that artists can help shape the world for the better. Use Design through Making, inspired by a brief, to create a scale model "set" for a theatre production or an animation. Construct with a variety of media, using tools. Think about scale, foreground, background, lighting, texture, space, structure and intention. Use Design through Making and scale models to create a piece of architecture which would make the world a better place. Use a combination of materials, construction methods and tools. Reflect as part of the building process so that you can understand how your intention relates to the reality of what you are building. Option to work in 3d to devise fashion constructed from patterned papers.	Look at the work of designers, artists, animators, architects. Understand the processes, intentions an outcomes of different artists, using visual notes in a sketchbook to help consolidate and own the learning. Understand we may all have different responses in terms of our thoughts and the things we make. That we may share similarities. Understand all responses are valid. Reflect upon the artists' work, and share your response verbally ("I liked I didn't understand it reminded me of It links to"). Present your own artwork (journey and any final outcome), reflect and share verbally ("I enjoyed This went well I would have liked next time I might I was inspired by). Talk about intention. Work collaboratively to present outcomes to others where appropriate. Present as a team. Share responses to classmates work, appreciating similarities and differences. Listen to feedback about your own work and respond. Document work using still image (photography) or by making a drawing of the work. If using photography consider lighting and focus. Some children may make films thinking about viewpoint, lighting & perspective. Discuss the ways in which artists have a responsibility to themselves/society. What purpose does art serve?	

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Understand that there is often a close relationship between drawing and making. Understand that we can transform 2d drawings into 3d objects. Understand that graphic designers use typography and image to create packaging which we aspire to use. Understand that there are technical processes we can use to help us see, draw and scale up our work. Explore using negative and positive space to "see" and draw a simple element/object. Use the grid system to scale up the image above, transferring the image onto card. Use collage to add tonal marks to the "flat image".	Use sketchbooks to: Practise seeing negative and positive shapes. Using the grid method to scale up an image. Explore what your passions, hopes and fears might be. What makes you you? How can you find visual equivalents for the words in your head? Explore colour: make colours, collect colours, experiment with how colours work together. Explore combinations and layering of media.	Understand that artists sometimes use their skills, vision and creativity to speak on behalf of communities they represent, to try to change the world for the better. Understand that the nature of the object (artwork in gallery, graffiti on wall, zine) can be specific to the intention of the artist. Explore what kinds of topics or themes YOU care about. Articulate your fears, hopes, dreams. Think about what you could create (possibly working collaboratively) to share your voice and passion with the world. Use screenprinting and/or monoprinting over collaged and painted sheets to create your piece of activist art. Or create a zine using similar methods.	Understand that the fabrics used to make clothes have been designed by someone. That there is a relationship between td shape and pattern and 3d form and function. Explore how we can use layers (physical or digital) to explore and build portraits of ourselves which explore aspects of our background, experience, culture and personality. Make independent decisions as to which materials are best to use, which kinds of marks, which methods will best help you explore.	Understand that artists use a variety of media including light and sound as well as physical media to create installations. Understand that installations are often immersive, enabling the viewer to enter the artwork. Understand that designers & makers sometimes work towards briefs, but always brings their own experience in the project to bear. Understand that artists and designers add colour, texture, meaning and richness to our life. Understand that artists reinvent. Understand that as artists, we can take the work of others and re-form it to suit us. That we can be inspired by the past and make things for the future. Use the device of scaled model to imagine what your installation might be, working in respond to a brief or "challenge" to enable a viewer to "have a physical experience of colour." Use a variety of materials, including light and sound, to make a model of what you would build. Think about structure of space, how the viewer would enter, what they would see, feel, hear. Use colour in a brave and bold way, reflecting upon how this might make the viewer feel. Use a variety of materials to design (through making) and construct a scaled piece of furniture. Bring your personality and character to the piece. Let your nature inform the choice of materials and shapes you use. Combine making with drawing skills to create shadow puppets using cut and constructed lines, shapes and forms from a variety of materials. Working collaboratively to perform a simple show sharing a narrative which has meaning to you.	Look at the work of designers, artists, art activists, installation artists, craftspeople and puppeteers. Understand that artists use art to explore their own experience, and that as viewers we can use our visual literacy skills to learn more about both the artist and ourselves. Understand we may all have different responses in terms of our thoughts and the things we make. That we may share similarities. Understand all responses are valid. Reflect upon the artists' work, and share your response verbally ("I liked I didn't understand it reminded me of It links to"). Present your own artwork (journey and any final outcome), reflect and share verbally ("I enjoyed This went well I would have liked next time I might I was inspired by). Talk about intention. Work collaboratively to present outcomes to others where appropriate. Present as a team. Share responses to classmates work, appreciating similarities and differences. Listen to feedback about your own work and respond. Document work using still image (photography) or by making a drawing of the work. If using photography consider lighting and focus. Some children may make films thinking about viewpoint, lighting & perspective.