



ALL MIXED - UP

Bring your ideas to life—create your own story using details from two works of art.

Are you doing this activity at school or at home?

Follow these suggestions to make your experience fun and successful.

- Search for images of artworks on the Art Institute of Chicago’s website: www.artic.edu/collection or look for other objects around you that could help you complete the activity.
- Work together with classmates, family members, or friends to complete the activity and share what you create.

With a partner, pick two works of art in the same gallery. Try selecting artworks from a time period or culture you are studying in class or might already be familiar with. At least one of the works should include people or characters.

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Talk about the places and characters in each work. What might we learn about them based on what we see? When or where might this be? What is the mood of each work? How is that shown?

Imagine what would happen if elements from these two artworks came together. For example, a character from one work might jump into the scene of a second work in the museum. What might they do? What would they say? Talk through your ideas with your partner.

Back at school, print out reproductions from the Collection page of the museum website at artic.edu. Create a collage to represent your story using cut-out elements from the two works glued to a blank piece of paper. Draw in additional details if needed.

Share your mixed-up stories with classmates and friends.

GALLERY SUGGESTIONS

American Art

American Folk Art

European Art

Medieval and Renaissance Art

Modern Art

Contemporary Art