

2022 AP® 3-D Art and Design

Sustained Investigation

Row C-Score 2

Written Evidence

Writing Prompt #1:

Identify the question(s) or inquiry that guided your sustained investigation.

Writing Prompt #2:

Describe how your sustained investigation shows evidence of practice, experimentation, and revision guided by your question(s) or inquiry.

Student Response

How do artists see beyond the traditional function of a material? My concerns about the ruining of our environment lead me to start thinking about materials; what we recycle, discard, and ignore as a society. I began seeing beyond the actual function of those materials, to reimagine them as beautiful, natural, and spiritual. I've discovered that nature and spirituality are inextricably linked and that by looking at material in a new way, change can be possible.

As a society, we tend to disregard what we throw away. We live in a "discard society" full of plastic and used items. I want to comprehend these items so that I may create beauty, reaching our souls while honoring our spirits and making everyday discarded items that are overlooked beautiful. I'm able to take littering and global warming, which have been passed down through centuries, to tell a new tale by reconfiguring new clothing that celebrates the spiritual body and pieces that tell our past. I recognize how damaging our society's indifference can be, and I want to change the narrative.



Image 1
Sustained Investigation

Height: 24 inches

Width: 19.5 inches

Depth: 0.1 inches

Material(s): Paper

Process(es): After collecting multiple images that mean different emotions, I decided to change to 3D

design.



Image 2 Sustained Investigation

Height: 20 inches

Width: 46 inches

Depth: 1.5 inches

Material(s): Recycled gloves that were all dyed black, spray paint, and

cardboard.

Process(es): This shows the process of the creation of my 2nd piece: the angel wings symbolizing protection.



Image 3
Sustained Investigation

Height: 20 inches

Width: 46 inches

Depth: 1.5 inches

Material(s): Recycled gloves that were all dyed black, spray paint, and

cardboard.

Process(es): The figure of angel wings portrays the protection needed for a human in a discard

society.

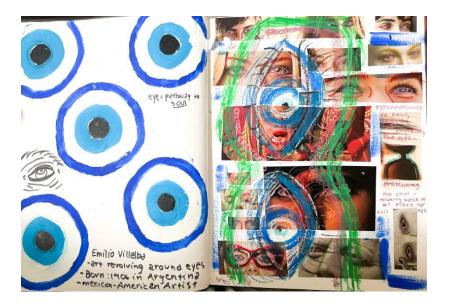


Image 4

Sustained Investigation

Height: 9 inches

Width: 12 inches

Depth: 0.1 inches

Material(s): Oil pastels, colored paint, recycled magazines, pen, paper, and color markers

Process(es): Continuation of the evil eye to expand the concept of it in society, but also to not waste

material.



Image 5

Sustained Investigation

Height: 26 inches

Width: 16 inches

Depth: 10 inches

Material(s): Recycled gloves that were all dyed black, spray paint, and

upcycled cloth.

Process(es): Using the leftover gloves to keep pushing the concept of materials to create another piece

with eyes



Image 6

Sustained Investigation

Height: 9 inches

Width: 12 inches

Depth: 0.1 inches

Material(s): Safety pins, Navy cloth, paper, permanent black marker, various colored markers.

Process(es): A continuation of the second piece. Experimenting with the same concept but with different material



Image 7
Sustained Investigation

Height: 43 inches

Width: 16 inches

Depth: 1.5 inches

Material(s): Recycled yarn, recycled

chicken wire, recycled fabric

Process(es): Ties depicting a spine contribute to connections between

individual spirits and society



Image 8 Sustained Investigation

Height: 43 inches

Width: 16 inches

Depth: 6 inches

Material(s): Various yarns, recycled

chicken wire

Process(es): A continuation of a more detailed dress symbolizing an energy spine and incorporating

angel wings



Image 9
Sustained Investigation

Height: 24 inches

Width: 14.5 inches

Depth: 10 inches

Material(s): Photos, magazines, newspapers, recycled carpet holders, and recycled fabrics.

Process(es): Images and fabrics symbolize generations through society and what they pass on to the

future



Image 10 Sustained Investigation

Height: 82.5 inches

Width: 12.5 inches

Depth: 6 inches

Material(s): Catholic roman art book, thrifted woven basket, glue

Process(es): Religious connection to society and continuation through generations even when living in

disgard.



Image 11 Sustained Investigation

Height: 24 inches

Width: 16 inches

Depth: 24 inches

Material(s): Vintage wedding pue flowers, vintage recycled cloth

Process(es): Experimentation process of collecting the materials and cloth for the final piece.



Image 12 Sustained Investigation

Height: 24 inches

Width: 16 inches

Depth: 24 inches

Material(s): Vintage church pue flowers, vintage recycled cloth

Process(es): Using my moms wedding church pew flowers I want to show the generational string

throughout society



Image 13
Sustained Investigation

Height: 30 inches

Width: 32 inches

Depth: 1.5 inches

Material(s): Recycled vintage cassette tapes, and cardboard.

Process(es): Depicts a quilt that symbolizes family and generational stories/music passed down through

society



Image 14 Sustained Investigation

Height: 22 inches

Width: 15 inches

Depth: 5 inches

Material(s): Recycled cans, recycled plastic bags, recycled wire, recycled twine rope, recycled paper bag

handle

Process(es): Collecting materials from the local dump to start experimenting with different

recycled objects.



Image 15 Sustained Investigation

Height: 30 inches

Width: 18 inches

Depth: 16.5 inches

Material(s): recycled plastic bags, recycled chair, twine rope

Process(es): A week of trash collected to show how much an individual contributes to the discard

in their society

Sustained Investigation: Analytic Scoring Rubric and Score Rationale

Row C-Score 2

Analytic Scoring Rubric Row C: Materials, Processes, and Ideas		
1	2	3
Little to no evidence of visual relationships among materials, processes, OR ideas.	Visual relationships among materials, processes, OR ideas are evident.	Visual relationships among materials, processes, AND ideas are clearly evident and demonstrate synthesis.

Score Rationale

"What we recycle, discard, and ignore as a society" guides this sustained investigation into an exploration of found materials. Each image presents a thoughtful consideration of material history, context, and accumulation, from vintage cassette tapes to wedding dresses. Yet, despite sensitivity to the narratives inherent in each material, the awkward assembly of the artworks prohibits the achievement of synthesis between materials, processes, and ideas.

Images 2–6 demonstrate the creation of two artworks constructed from recycled gloves. The unexpected use of gloves provides evidence of "seeing beyond the traditional function of a material," but the limited modification of the gloves impedes the integration of the material and ideas. More transformative processes of modifying the fabric or assembling the material could produce a synthesis between the found objects and social concepts.

Another example of an eloquent material decision is the use of cassette tapes to "depict a quilt that symbolizes family and generational stories" in image 13. Magnetic tape emerges from the sides of the cassettes to tie together the quilt. While this artwork comes close to synthesizing the material, process, and idea, it requires a leap to understand the family connection. The available visual evidence cannot justify the integration of the written concept with the materials and processes. Overall, the artwork considers the importance of materials and ideas but does not achieve coalescence because of the unconnected assembly processes.





Image 2 Image 13

Sustained Investigation Score: Row A: Score 3 • Row B: Score 3/2 • Row C: Score 2 • Row D: Score 2/1