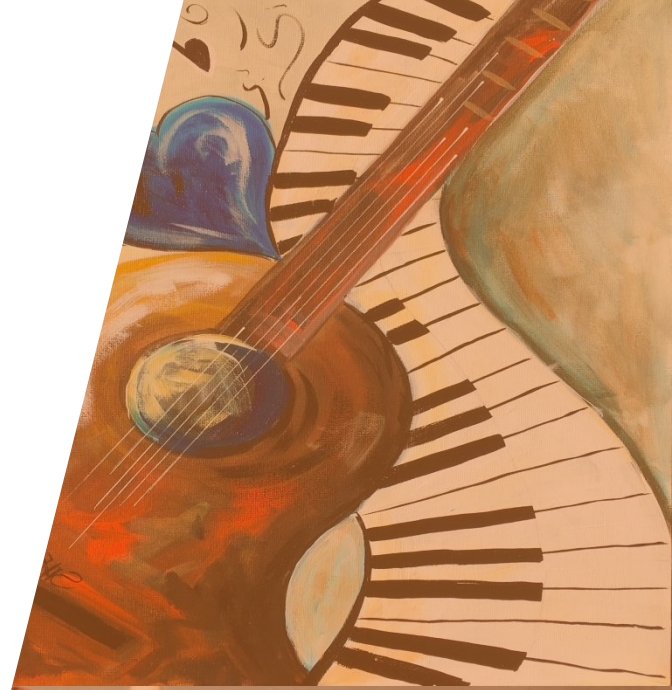




SMART JUNIORS 2

Cultural Expressions
Through Art Forms

Lesson 40
Critical Thinking



Responding to an Author's Idea

When we read a text written by an author, we might want to respond to it. We may have different ideas from the author.

Oh, I've heard about this before...

Do I agree with this?

Oh, I have the same experience!

No, I have a different idea about this...



CRITICAL THINKING

Response Table

We use a response table to record the author's main ideas for each paragraph and your responses to them.

Paragraph	Main Idea	My Response
1. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
2. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
3. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
4. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____

LET'S ANALYZE

- **Let's go back to the essay and find the author's main idea for the introduction part. Do you have any response to it? (move to the next slide for hints)**

Cultural Expressions Through Art Forms | Paragraph 1

Art has been a significant expression of culture throughout history, reflecting the beliefs, values, and traditions of various societies. It serves as a bridge to connect the gap between different countries, allowing us to appreciate and understand diverse cultures. Three distinct art forms that convey unique cultures are music, painting, and dance.

Paragraph

1. Introduction

Main Idea

Art has been a significant expression of culture, reflecting beliefs, values and traditions of various societies.

My Response

?

- Check how we can respond to an author's idea, then try to write your own response.

How do we respond to an author's idea?

- Agreeing or disagreeing with the author's points or ideas**



Main Idea

Art has been a significant expression of culture, reflecting beliefs, values and traditions of various societies.

My Response

I (agree/disagree) with the author.

I think art _____

_____.

LET'S ANALYZE

- Find the author's main idea for paragraph 2 and think of a response. (move to the next slide for hints)

Cultural Expressions Through Art Forms | Paragraph 2

Music is a universal language that resonates with people from all walks of life.

Traditional Japanese music, for instance, showcases the rich cultural heritage of Japan. The captivating melodies played on traditional instruments such as the shamisen, reflect the Zen spirit deeply ingrained in Japanese culture.

Paragraph	Main Idea	My Response
2. Art Form: Music	<hr/> <hr/>	?

- Check how we can respond to an author's idea, then try to write your own response.

How do we respond to an author's idea?

- Giving an example from your own experience or from someone you know**



Main Idea

Music is a universal language that resonates with people from all walks of life.

My Response

This idea makes me think of a story of mine/someone. _____

_____.

LET'S ANALYZE

- Find the author's main idea for paragraph 3 and think of a response. (move to the next slide for hints)

Cultural Expressions Through Art Forms | Paragraph 3

Painting, another powerful art form, allows artists to capture the essence of their respective cultures. One striking example is Indian miniature painting, a centuries-old tradition that originated in the Mughal era. These detailed artworks portray myths, legends, and historical events, using vibrant colors and delicate brushwork. Each stroke tells a tale, providing a glimpse into the world of Indian culture.

Paragraph

3. Art Form: Painting

Main Idea

My Response

?

- Check how we can respond to an author's idea, then try to write your own response.

How do we respond to an author's idea?

- Connecting the author's ideas to something you read or heard from another source**



Main Idea

Painting, another powerful art form, allows artists to capture the essence of their respective cultures.

My Response

I read/heard an idea about painting before. It says _____

_____.

LET'S ANALYZE

- Find the author's main idea for paragraph 4 and think of a response. (move to the next slide for hints)

Cultural Expressions Through Art Forms | Paragraph 4

Dance, with its graceful movements and expressive gestures, embodies culture in a physical form. Flamenco, a traditional Spanish dance, represents the passionate spirit of the Andalusian region. Through fast footwork, hand clapping, and dramatic postures, flamenco conveys the intense emotions and vitality to Spanish tradition and history.

Paragraph

4. Art Form: Dance

Main Idea

My Response

?

- Check how we can respond to an author's idea, then try to write your own response.

How do we respond to an author's idea?

- Providing a different opinion about the same issue**



Main Idea

Dance, with its graceful movements and expressive gestures, embodies culture in a physical form.

My Response

About dance, I have a different idea.
I think dance can express culture
sometimes, but _____
_____.

CRITICAL THINKING

Check the example answers together.

Paragraph	Main Idea	My Response
1. Introduction	Art has been a significant expression of culture, reflecting beliefs, values and traditions of various societies.	I agree with the author. I think all the art pieces showed their cultural background in a clear way.
2. Art Form: Music	Music is a universal language that resonates with people from all walks of life.	This reminds me of a trip where I made a Korean friend through our shared love for music. Even though we couldn't understand each other's language, our favorite song brought us closer.
3. Art Form: Painting	Painting, another powerful art form, allows artists to capture the essence of their respective cultures.	I have heard the idea that painting can mirror the artist's inner world.
4. Art Form: Dance	Dance, with its graceful movements and expressive gestures, embodies culture in a physical form.	I have a different take on dance. While it can express culture at times, I believe it often has too many standard forms and styles you have to follow.



- Use a “response table” to record the author’s main ideas.
- Respond to the author’s idea by:

Paragraph	Main Idea	My Response
1. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
2. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
3. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
4. _____	_____ _____	_____ _____

- Agreeing or disagreeing with the author’s points or ideas
- Giving an example from your own experience or someone you know
- Connecting the author’s ideas to something you read or heard from another source
- Providing a different opinion about the same issue



WHAT'S NEXT...

In the next lesson, we will be covering the grammar
of the passive voice. See you next time!