

ART 6 LESSON PLAN

TEXT:

Art 6 for Young Catholics (2008 Edition)

INTRODUCTION

The Lesson Plans are located within the *Art 6 for Young Catholics* book. This book is unique because it was written by Reed Armstrong, a world-famous sculptor, and by his wife, Roxolana Armstrong, who are well known and respected for their contribution to art. It was written specifically for the Seton Home Study School students.

This book is unique also because both artists encourage students to apply their artistic skills and work for the greater honor and glory of God. You might think about giving art projects for holy days.

There are 36 lessons in the Art 6 for Young Catholics book, which makes it easy for students to do one assignment each week. Both Reed and Roxolana have been teaching Catholic children for many years, and we believe you will be pleased with their art lessons to help Catholic students.

TEACHING TIPS

Many states require students at this level to take art for about an hour a week. You might schedule art class for a Friday afternoon if your child wants to work longer.

If you are using your Teacher's Plan Book, please write under "Art" any other artwork your child may be doing in other subject areas. You may have it listed under two subjects. This integration of subjects is very popular. If your child has not finished his art project from another subject area, he may continue it during his art class time. There is no need to do a separate art assignment.

Art assignments need not be done exactly as written; rather, they are suggestions. There are many arts and crafts books available at local stores and libraries. Catholic and Christian bookstores offer arts and crafts materials related to feast days. You may find ideas in such stores that you may want to use in art class.

If you have more than one child in the Seton Home Study School program, please feel free to have them all do the same assignment or work with the same materials. In fact, they all may wish to do a project together, such as a Christmas mural.

Be sure to encourage your child and display his artwork.

You may check for inexpensive materials at local stores: free scraps of colored paper at printers, wallpaper samples at paint and wallpaper stores, and colorful pieces of material at fabric stores.

Before we had our current book, we listed a few ideas for arts and crafts activities which relate to holy days. We are still including these, which you may use or not as you choose.

GRADING GUIDELINES

Whether your child is doing the Seton assignments or enrolled elsewhere for art class, the grade is your decision. His grade should depend on his efforts rather than on artistic results. Assign an A for an excellent attitude, a serious effort to do his best; a B for a good attitude, and a C for an average attitude. Assign a grade and record it on the appropriate Quarter Report Form. At the end of each quarter, send Seton the Quarter Report Form with your quarter grade recorded. *Your quarter grade is required*, if you want a grade on your child's report card, because it is the sole basis for the student's grade in this class. We would be glad to look at any artwork you wish to send; some parents send photographs of artwork.

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