



Painting I Virtual Learning

Illuminated Letter

Part II

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Objective/Learning Target:

Students will study the history of illuminated manuscripts and lettering. Students will create their own letter design and embellishments surrounding a letter. Students will paint or just draw the letter and designs if they have materials around.

Bell Ringer: Find art materials that you may have around your house. Here is a link for possible ideas if you do not have painting items at home.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1qZSVXmoyqwZSUOEJSJ3ZYew9vbC2SEN9Fd6rJTmyaws/edit#slide=id.g7277dfb8ca_0_0

Inspiration: We will look at examples of illuminated letters from the Middle Ages.

Materials: Any paint that you prefer, Paper, Brushes if you have these available. This can easily be done with a pen or pencil.

Background: During the Middle Ages, the ability to read was rare and books were even more so. Documents in Europe and the Middle East were copied by scribes one stroke at a time. The practice of illumination — decoration of a page with ornate lettering, icons and designs was developed to guide viewers through a document and increase their comprehension. Luminous color and precious metals emphasized ornamental text and illustrative scenes.

Procedure:

1. Now that you have developed a composition for a letter we are ready to transfer the idea to a final draft.
2. Define a border about $\frac{1}{2}$ “ to 1” thick. Start your drawing very lightly until you have the outlines you want.
3. Now you will start to paint or color the letter. Any materials will work for this. Be sure to check out the link again on slide 3 for ideas.
4. Make it as colorful as you want. Remember, light colors/tints will come forward and your darker colors/shades will recede. Warm colors come forward and cool colors recede. You will want your vines and embellishments to appear as though they are wrapping or laying on top of your letter. Therefore, choose appropriately.

Have fun and email us your finished products. Cannot wait to see what you have created.

Here are some examples and tutorials to get you motivated.







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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEnQq-Vi0eQ>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h6O3rJkP2_A

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E7B4mlj6qTA>