

## Sculpting 1

### “What Can You Do?” Challenge

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### Day One: Introduction, Ideas

#### Objective/Learning Target:

Students will look at the work of artists using recycled or found objects and materials and explore the creative process of transforming a found object or recycled material into a three dimensional work of art.

**Requirements:** Scissors, Tape, Ruler, gesso, various acrylic paint and brushes. Hot glue, Aluminum: soda cans, clean/used tin foil, food wrapper linings. Wire: paper clips, old wire coat hangers, twist ties from garbage bags. Additional materials to be used are limitless, but the result must be three-dimensional. Can opener and sandpaper.

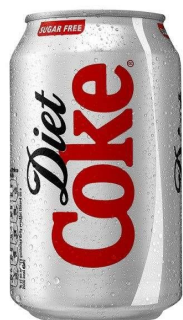
**Bellringer:** Read the following articles about contemporary artists that use recycled materials:

[Michelle Reader](#) and [Eric Barclay](#)

**Instructions:** Does your household recycle? Create a small list of some common items you have in your recycling bin at home. This week we will be making projects from aluminum cans, so start collecting them! What Can you do with that old soda can? Here is a [video](#) showing various ways artist have used aluminum cans as a material. **Use gloves and be careful cutting the metal, edges can get really sharp.** Today you will be working on a sketch for your first project which is to transform your soda can into a doll. Inspired by artist Eric Barclay who made the “[Diet Kokeshi Doll](#)” You may decide to add or combine whatever materials you can find at home, but bonus points to limiting the amount of materials you will use. Once you have completed your sketch let’s prepare the surface of the soda can.

#### Prepare your Surface.

1. Rinse aluminum can with water and dry.
2. If you are adding shapes or base use hot glue to attach securely.
3. Paint light coat of white acrylic paint or gesso.
4. Let sit and dry overnight, tomorrow we will paint and decorate.



*Optional to remove lid with can opener and sandpaper to smooth edges.*