

FTC Synthesis Questions

After completing the FTC guidesheet (or Art-o-matic) then write about the artwork using the information you have.

How does the form support the artist's theme?

Why did the artist make the formal, media or technique choices that they did?

How do the visual elements the artist chose work together to help the theme across?

How is the theme relevant to the context in which it was created?

Is the theme related to the social, political, or cultural conditions of the time? How?

How does the situation the artist found themselves in affect what they are making art about?

How does the form reflect the context in which it was made?

Did the artist use a tradition form or create a new form? Why?

Did the available technology effect the form of the work? How?

What was the function or significance of the artwork?

How did the artwork reflect/challenge the cultural norms of the time/place in which it was made?

How did the artwork reflect the "zeitgeist" of the times?

What was the audience's reaction to artwork?

What is your evaluation of this artwork?

Is this artwork effective (or not) at expressing the aims of the artist?

What would make it more effective?

Is this artwork still relevant in today's context?