

AP PROJECT 1 BRAINTSTORM



Part 1: Start with What Matters to You

List 10 topics you care deeply about:

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| 1. | 6. |
| 2. | 7. |
| 3. | 8. |
| 4. | 9. |
| 5. | 10. |

Examples: climate change, sibling relationships, immigration, mental health, skateboarding, cultural identity, challenges you've faced, personal experiences or memories, beliefs

Part 2: Explore Through Questions

Pick one topic from Part 1 and explore it further. Answer these questions:

- Why does this topic matter to me?
 - What images or symbols come to mind?
 - What emotions are connected to it?
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Part 3: Visual Brainstorm

In your sketchbook or on a blank pieces of paper complete the following based on the topic you chose:

- Draw or list 5 artwork ideas you could create to represent your chosen topic
- Draw or list 3 different moods or emotions you could express

- Draw or list Colors, textures, or materials that feel “right” to help further communicate your idea

Part 4: Dive into Materials

How could different materials or techniques help you explore your topic?

| Material/Technique | How it could relate to my idea |
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Part 6: Turn It Into a Question

Now turn your theme into an **investigative question**:

How can I explore **(theme)** through **(material/style/approach)** to show **(emotion/message)**?

Example: How can I explore childhood memories through layered collage and transparency to show the way memory fades over time?

Part 7: Planning First 3 Pieces

Sketch or describe your first three ideas below. Think about:

- Composition
- Materials
- How it connects to your theme

Part 7: Make Art

- Complete at LEAST 1 finished show worth piece this summer. It is due the first week of school and will be presented in front of the class. Take your time and do your best work.
- If you finish easily and want more, complete the other ideas you brainstormed!