ART CURRICULUM MAP · INTERACTIVE + PRINTABLE

A Year of Art
Grade 4









36 weeks, August to June

Every week has a ready-to-teach lesson from my shop. Kindergarten to Grade 5 also get a picture book to read aloud. Some weeks have a free video on my YouTube channel too. The months are a rough guide, so slide weeks to fit your school calendar.

Everything in this PDF is clickable: tap a picture or a "Click here" button to open the lesson.

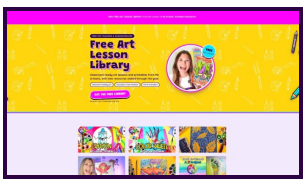
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The **A Year of Art** bundle for this grade has the Elements of Art unit and the seasonal lessons in this map, at a bundle price.

See the bundle | **Open the interactive map**

How to use this map

- Print it for your planning binder, or keep it on your computer and click straight to each lesson.
- Swap any week, repeat a favorite or move a holiday week to match your calendar.
- Look for the "Unit" tags: those weeks build on each other.
- Short on time? The free video options make great sub days and catch-up weeks.



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Grade 4 · Weeks 1-12

A Year of Art

August - September

Week 1
Back to School



4th Grade Graffiti Name Art Grade 4 Art Project Back to School Art Lesson

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READ-ALOUD
Alma and How She Got Her Name
by Juana Martinez-Neal

Week 2
Back to School



4th Grade About Me Grade 4 Self Portrait Art Project Art Lesson Back to School

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READ-ALOUD
The Day You Begin
by Jacqueline Woodson

Week 3
Sketchbook (all year)



Elementary Sketchbook Art Prompts Visual Journal Art Sketchbook Art Projects

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READ-ALOUD
The Book of Mistakes
by Corinna Luyken

Week 4
Elements of Art: Line



Unit • week 1 of 4

4th Grade Art Projects Elements of Art 4th Grade Art Lessons Ocean Activities Worksheets

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READ-ALOUD
Beautiful Oops!
by Barney Saltzberg

September - October

Week 5
Elements of Art: Shape & Form



Unit • week 2 of 4

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READ-ALOUD
Perfect Square
by Michael Hall

Week 6
Elements of Art: Color



Unit • week 3 of 4

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READ-ALOUD
Mix It Up!
by Hervé Tullet

Week 7
Elements of Art: Value, Texture & Space



Unit • week 4 of 4

4th Grade Art Projects Elements of Art 4th Grade

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READ-ALOUD
Swimmy
by Leo Lionni

Week 8
Line



Line Art Lesson Element of Art Line 4th Grade Types of Lines Lion Art Project

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READ-ALOUD
Harold and the Purple Crayon
by Crockett Johnson

October - November

Week 9
Color Wheel



Color Wheel Art Lesson Element of Art Color 4th Grade Color Wheel Wolf Project

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READ-ALOUD
The Day the Crayons Quit
by Drew Daywalt

Week 10
Fall / Artist: Van Gogh



Van Gogh Starry Night Pumpkin Art Project Autumn Art Lesson Fall Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
Katie and the Starry Night
by James Mayhew

Week 11
Halloween



Art Project Halloween Art Lesson Owl Witch Artwork October Autumn Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
Room on the Broom
by Julia Donaldson

Week 12
Dia de Muertos (Mexican cultural holiday)

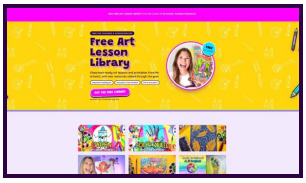


Mexican Sugar Skull Art Lesson Day of the Dead

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READ-ALOUD
Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras
by Duncan Tonatiuh



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November - December

Week 13
Remembrance Day / Veterans Day



Poppy Art Lesson Remembrance Day Art Memorial

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READ-ALOUD
In Flanders Fields: The Story of the Poem by John McCrae
by Linda Granfield

Week 14
Thanksgiving



Art Project Thanksgiving Art Lesson Turkey Line Artwork October November Art

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READ-ALOUD
Thank You, Sarah
by Laurie Halse Anderson

Week 15
December



Christmas Art Lesson Christmas Tree Art Project Holiday Art Activity Craft

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READ-ALOUD
Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree
by Robert Barry

Week 16
December



Christmas Art Project Poinsettia Art Lesson Christmas Art Activity December Art

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READ-ALOUD
The Legend of the Poinsettia
by Tomie dePaola

January

Week 17
Winter



Winter Art Lesson Hedgehog Winter Art Project Art Activities Art Sub Plans

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READ-ALOUD
The Hat
by Jan Brett

Week 18
Winter



Winter Penguin Art Lesson Penguin Art Project Winter Art Activity Reading Write

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READ-ALOUD
Tacky the Penguin
by Helen Lester

Week 19
Winter



Winter Art Lesson Red Fox Winter Art Project Winter Art Activity January Artwork

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READ-ALOUD
Stranger in the Woods
by Carl R. Sams II and Jean Stoick

Week 20
Lunar New Year



Chinese Pagoda Temple Art Project Art Lesson Lunar New Year Art History Activity

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READ-ALOUD
A New Year's Reunion
by Yu Li-Qiong

February

Week 21
Valentine's Day



Valentines Day Art Lesson Wayne Thiebaud Lollipop Art Project Candy Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
The Day It Rained Hearts
by Felicia Bond

Week 22
Black History Month



Alma Woodsey Thomas Art Project Black History Month Art Lesson Springtime Art

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READ-ALOUD
Ablaze with Color: A Story of Painter Alma Thomas
by Jeanne Walker Harvey

Week 23
Black History Month



Basquiat Art Lesson Black History Month Art Project BTS Self Portrait Artwork

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READ-ALOUD
Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat
by Javaka Steptoe

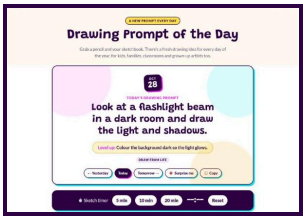
Week 24
Black History Month



MLK Day Art Lesson MLK Portrait Artwork MLK Art Project MLK Day Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
Martin's Big Words
by Doreen Rappaport



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March

Week 25 — St. Patrick's Day



Catch Leprechaun Art Project St Patricks Day Art Lesson St Patrick Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
How to Catch a Leprechaun
by Adam Wallace

Week 26 — St. Patrick's Day



St Patricks Day Art Lesson St Patricks Writing Activities St Patrick Art Project

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READ-ALOUD
That's What Leprechauns Do
by Eve Bunting

Week 27 — Spring / Artist: Van Gogh



Van Gogh Irises Art Project Spring Art Lesson Artist Study Flower Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
Katie and the Sunflowers
by James Mayhew

Week 28 — Earth Day



Earth Day Art Lesson Cute Planet Earth Drawing Elementary Earth Day Art Project

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READ-ALOUD
The Lorax
by Dr. Seuss

April

Week 29 — Earth Day



Earth Day Art Lesson Our Planet In Our Hands Drawing Earth Day Art Project

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READ-ALOUD
We Are Water Protectors
by Carole Lindstrom

Week 30 — Artist: Klimt



Gustav Klimt Tree of Life Art Lesson Art History Elementary Klimt Art Project

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READ-ALOUD
Klimt and His Cat
by Berenice Capatti

Week 31 — Artist: Matisse



Henri Matisse Still Life Art Project Lemon Art Lesson Henri Matisse Art Activity

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READ-ALOUD
Henri's Scissors
by Jeanette Winter

Week 32 — Magnification



Summer Art Lesson Lemon Art Lesson Magnification Art Project Activity Elementary

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READ-ALOUD
Zoom
by Istvan Banyai

May - June

Week 33 — Artist: Picasso



Picasso Art Project Cubist Self Portrait Art Lesson Art History Picasso Activity

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READ-ALOUD
Picasso and the Girl with a Ponytail
by Laurence Anholt

Week 34 — Summer



Summer Art Project Activity Desert Roadrunner Art Lesson Line Art Project

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READ-ALOUD
Cactus Hotel
by Brenda Z. Guiberson

Week 35 — Artist: Ted Harrison



Ted Harrison Shark Art Project Ocean Art Lesson Canadian Art Activity Summer Art

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READ-ALOUD
Shark Lady
by Jess Keating

Week 36 — End of Year



End Of Year Graffiti Memories Art Project Elementary Graffiti Memory Art Lesson

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READ-ALOUD
Oh, the Places You'll Go!
by Dr. Seuss



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