

# **Visual Arts Assessment - Mixed Human Figures**

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#### **Assessment Details**

<b>Duration:</b> 45 minutes	Total Marks: 100	
Topics Covered:	<ul><li>Mixed Human Figures</li><li>Anatomical Proportions</li><li>Creative Expression</li><li>Technical Drawing Skills</li></ul>	

#### **Instructions to Students:**

- 1. Read each question carefully and follow the instructions.
- 2. Show all working out marks are awarded for method.
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- 5. Time management is crucial allocate approximately 1 minute per mark.

## Introduction to Mixed Human Figures

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# Multiple Choice Questions

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Question 3		[2 marks]
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## **Short Answer Questions**

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# Project-Based Task

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Write a short paragraph explaining the inspiration behind your creation and the artistic decisions you made regarding proportions and shapes.	

## Marking Guide and Differentiation Options

## **Marking Guide**

Multiple Choice: 2 points	Short Answer: 8 points
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## **Differentiation Options**

For Students with Special Needs: Provide extra time, offer one-on-one assistance, or modify the Project-Based Task to a written description of a mixed human figure if drawing is a challenge.

For English Language Learners: Offer translations of the questions and provide additional examples of mixed human figures in art.

For Gifted Students: Challenge them to create a mixed human figure that tells a story or represents a particular theme, requiring more complex application of principles of figure drawing.

# Conclusion and Feedback Congratulations on completing the assessment! Your teacher will review your work and provide feedback to help you improve. Use this feedback to guide your future learning and artistic endeavors.

# **Understanding Anatomical Proportions**

Anatomical proportions are crucial in creating realistic mixed human figures. The average human body is approximately 7.5 heads tall, with the arm span being equal to the height. Understanding these proportions helps artists create more believable and aesthetically pleasing figures.

#### **Example: Measuring Proportions**

To measure proportions, start by dividing the body into segments: the head, torso, arms, and legs. Each segment has specific proportions relative to the overall height. For instance, the torso is about 3.5 heads tall, and the arms are roughly 2.5 heads long.

#### Case Study: Leonardo da Vinci's Vitruvian Man

Leonardo da Vinci's famous drawing, the Vitruvian Man, depicts a nude male figure inscribed within a circle and square. The drawing represents the ideal proportions of the human body according to Vitruvius, demonstrating the mathematical proportions of the body and its correspondence to geometric shapes.

# **Creative Expression and Mixed Media**

Mixed human figures offer a wide range of creative possibilities, from combining different animal features to incorporating various materials and textures. Artists can experiment with mixed media, blending traditional drawing techniques with digital art or collage elements to create unique and captivating pieces.

#### **Example: Mixed Media Art**

Consider combining watercolor painting with collage elements, such as paper or fabric, to create a mixed human figure. The watercolor can provide a soft, ethereal background, while the collage elements add texture and depth to the figure.

#### Case Study: The Art of Pablo Picasso

Pablo Picasso's artwork often featured mixed human figures, blending human and animal forms in innovative ways. His use of cubism and mixed media created a new visual language, challenging traditional representations of the human form and inspiring future generations of artists.

# **Technical Drawing Skills**

Technical drawing skills are essential for creating detailed and realistic mixed human figures. Artists should practice drawing from observation, using reference images or life models to improve their understanding of anatomy and proportion.

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#### Example: Drawing from Observation

Set up a still life or use a model to practice drawing the human form from observation. Pay attention to the proportions, shapes, and textures of the body, and experiment with different drawing tools and techniques to capture the subtleties of the figure.

#### Case Study: The Drawings of Michelangelo

Michelangelo's drawings of the human form are renowned for their technical precision and emotional depth. His studies of anatomy and proportion allowed him to create incredibly realistic and expressive figures, demonstrating the importance of technical skill in artistic expression.

# **Conclusion and Final Project**

In conclusion, creating mixed human figures requires a combination of technical skill, creative expression, and understanding of anatomical proportions. For the final project, create a mixed human figure that showcases your mastery of these elements, experimenting with different materials and techniques to produce a unique and captivating piece of art.

#### **Example: Final Project**

Combine your knowledge of proportions, creative expression, and technical drawing skills to create a mixed human figure that tells a story or represents a particular theme. Consider using mixed media or digital art to add an extra layer of depth and interest to your piece.

#### Case Study: Student Examples

Review examples of student work, highlighting successful combinations of technical skill, creative expression, and anatomical understanding. Analyze what makes each piece effective and how you can apply these principles to your own final project.

## **Assessment and Feedback**

Your final project will be assessed on technical skill, creative expression, and understanding of anatomical proportions. Be prepared to receive feedback on your work, using it as an opportunity to learn and grow as an artist.

#### **Example: Self-Assessment**

Evaluate your own work, considering what you did well and what you could improve on. Identify areas where you need more practice or instruction, and set goals for future projects.

#### Case Study: Peer Review

Engage in a peer review process, where you and your classmates review and provide feedback on each other's work. This will help you develop critical thinking skills and learn from others' strengths and weaknesses.

# **Conclusion and Next Steps**

Congratulations on completing the course! You now have a solid foundation in creating mixed human figures, combining technical skill, creative expression, and anatomical understanding. Continue to practice and experiment with different techniques and materials to refine your craft.

#### Example: Future Projects

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Consider exploring other artistic mediums, such as sculpture or digital art, to create mixed human figures. You can also experiment with different themes or subjects, applying your skills to create unique and captivating pieces.

#### Case Study: Professional Applications

Research professional applications of mixed human figures in art, such as in illustration, animation, or fine art. Understand how your skills can be applied in real-world contexts and what opportunities are available for artists with your expertise.



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