Elementary Art Lesson Plan

Sea Turtle

Objective: Students will draw and design a colorful Sea Turtle.

Recommended for $1^{st} - 4^{th}$ grade

Materials:

Provided by Art to Remember:

Paper

Additional supplies:

- Pencil
- Oval Tracer
- Sharpie Marker
- Crayons
- Watercolor
- Brush

Open the Conversation:

Study the anatomy of a sea turtle by researching images as a class or individually. Before coloring the turtle shell, a discussion of color families would be helpful to create the most successful color choices.

Great Tip! Three easy steps to create the shell design:

- 1. Draw an arrow pointing at the head and another arrow pointing at the tail.
- 2. Connect the two arrows with lines to create a hexagon.
- 3. From each corner of the hexagon, draw a line to the edge of the circle.







Finished Project!

National Standards for Visual Arts (2015 Standards):

Anchor Standard #1. Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work.

Anchor Standard #2. Organize and develop artistic ideas and work.

Anchor Standard #3. Refine and complete artistic work.

Anchor Standard #10. Synthesize and relate knowledge and personal experiences to make art.

See more at:

http://www.nationalartsstandards.org/con tent/national-core-arts-standards-anchorstandards#creating

Step One:

Use a pencil and tracer to create an oval on the sheet of paper.

Step Two:

Draw four flippers, a tail, and a head off of the body. Add additional details to the head such as eyes.

Step Three:

Draw the design on the shell of the turtle. See page one for more detailed instructions.





Step Four:

Color the shell with crayons. Add color to the head, flippers, and tail as well. White should be added to the eyes to allow them to remain white in case any watercolor drips on the face.



Step Five:

Paint around the turtle with watercolor, filling all of the background space.