## ART CRITICISM

### 2. Describe:*
*tells about the first things you see or know about the image.*

It should include:
- **Credit line** tells you the **TITLE, ARTIST, MEDIUM, and DATE** of the artwork.
- What is the **Subject** of the artwork? *(What is it a picture of?)*
- What is the **Genre** of the artwork? *(landscape, portrait, still-life, non-objective, etc.)*
- Is it a **2-D or 3-D artwork**?
- Describe the image as if you were trying to explain it to a friend who has never seen it before.

### 3. Analyze:*
*look for elements and principles of art in the artwork. Determine their relationship.*

- List the first **PRINCIPLE** you see.
- List the **ELEMENT(S)** used to illustrate your PRINCIPLE.
- Write a sentence(s) that explain the **relationship** between the ELEMENT(S) and PRINCIPLE.

### 1. Look, See, Draw:*
*use this space to recreate the image/artwork to the best of your ability*

- Look for and draw basic shapes and lines first.
- Look for relationships between objects and the picture plane and each other.
- Add details and color last.
- Draw lightly first so that you can erase if needed.

### 4. Interpret:*
*trying to figure out the message or theme of the artwork*

Answer these questions:
- What do you **notice first** about the work? Why?
- What **mood** does this piece put you in? What about the image conveys this mood?
- What is the **message/theme** the artist is trying to communicate? Support your answer using clues from the image.

*(If the image does not have a message/theme, it must have a purpose or function.)*

- Are there any **symbols** being used? If so, what are they and **what do they mean?**

### 5. Judge:*
determine whether or not the **artist was successful**

- Was the artist successful (in conveying mood/theme, purpose/function, using Elements/Principles to create a visually pleasing image, etc.)? Use evidence from the image to explain why/why not.
- **Give a suggestion** about what the artist could do to improve the artwork.
- What is your **most favorite thing** about the artwork? Why?
- What is your **least favorite thing**? Why?