

 SUBJECT	History of Art
 LESSON TOPIC	Impressionism
 GRADE	15-18 years old
 LEARNING OBJECTIVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn more about the artistic current of Impressionism and how it originated. • Understand the main characteristics of Impressionist Art • Know Claude Monet and his biography. • Analyse the history behind the Water Lilies paintings. <p>Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a deeper understanding of one of the most important artistic currents, Impressionism. • Explain the main characteristics of Impressionist Art. • Know more about Claude Monet, the founder of Impressionism, and explain the motivations behind his Water Lilies paintings.
 TIME REQUIRED	2 hours
 PREPARATION	1 hour to prepare the interactive image with ThingLink + 2 hours or more to create the escape room with Genially



MATERIALS

- Interactive image ([ThingLink](#)) containing articles and videos
- Escape Room ([Genially](#))
- Smartboard
- Internet connection
- Device for each student (smartphone or tablet)
- Resources:
 - The Met Museum - [Impressionism: Art and Modernity](#)
 - The Art Assignment - [The Case for Impressionism](#)
 - The Met Museum - [The Transformation of Landscape Painting in France](#)
 - Art History With Alder - [The 5 Impressionism Art Characteristics](#)
 - The Met Museum - [Claude Monet \(1840–1926\)](#)
 - Great Art Explained - [Monet's Water Lilies: Great Art Explained](#)



TECHNIQUES

- 1st Part: Discussion through the Interactive image containing videos and articles on the topic.
- 2nd Part: Testing the knowledge learned through the completion of an escape room.



FORM OF WORK

This activity can be carried out both as:

- Individual activity
- Group activity

**LESSON PLAN OVERVIEW****Preparation:**

- Select the materials to be presented and discussed to explain the lesson topics (Impressionism)
- After collecting the material to explain the study topic, create the interactive image using ThingLink. How to prepare it? See explanatory tool sheet number n°29.

N.B.: ThingLink can be used in the classroom by showing the project via a whiteboard (Internet connection required). If, on the other hand, the teacher wants to share the project with students via links, a premium account is required.

- Then, prepare an escape room to involve the students and test the knowledge they acquired using Genially. How to prepare it? See explanatory tool sheet number n°11.

Introduction:

Briefly introduce the topic of the lesson: Impressionism and Claude Monet and try to capture the students' attention and curiosity by showing them several of the painter's paintings, asking them what they think of them and the impressions and emotions they arouse in them.

Implementation:**1st Part: Discussion through the Interactive image containing videos and articles**

- Show the students the Interactive image prepared with ThingLink containing articles and videos explaining the lesson's topics (Impressionistic Art and Claude Monet), which the students can access by clicking directly on the icons in the image.
- In the first article, students learn more about Impressionism, the origins of this artistic movement and are informed about its founder. Then through a video, students study the artistic current under investigation in more detail. The following articles explore specific aspects: the characteristics of Impressionism are examined in detail and the biography of

Claude Monet is presented. Finally, the last video examines the Water Lilies paintings, explaining the history and motivations that led Claude Monet to paint them.

- The entire first part is characterized by the discussion with the students, who explore the lesson topics in depth.

2nd Part: Testing the knowledge learned through the completion of an escape room

- In the second part of the lesson activity, involve students by asking them to solve an escape room created with Genially in order to assess their level of understanding. The questions of the escape room are based on the articles and videos shown to explain the lesson topic.

Summary:

- After the first part of the activity, where students explore all the topics contained in the interactive image, briefly discuss the content of the lesson, emphasizing the most important aspects of Impressionism and the life of Claude Monet.
- By the end of the lesson, students try to solve the escape room. Help them to complete it, if necessary.
- Answer any additional questions and explain all their doubts. The students complete their notes.

Homework:

Discovering Impressionist Painters

Ask students to research an important impressionist painter and select one of his most important paintings for analysis. Ask the students to prepare a presentation based on their research and present it in class for discussion.