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### Selected Artwork: Historical Document by Michael Two Bulls\_

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| **Observations** | **Parts** | **Title** | **Interrelationships** | **Conclusion** |
| What do you notice or observe in this piece of art? mix of modern items and traditional native items | What are the parts of this artwork? What are the details?  * northern traditional woman in regalia * white picket fence in front of her * school icons as watermark on front bottom * water tower, star quilt design, popsicle, hand * at the top ferris wheel, peace pipe, medallion with the big dipper on top * below peace pipe is a traditional Lakota design   U-035080 paper, historical document | What does the title tell you about the artwork? How does it relate to what you see? used historical document paper to make art, reminiscent of the ledger art of the late 1800s | How do different parts of the painting work together to convey the artist’s message? mix of life in South Dakota, maybe rez life | *What does this artwork convey? What details can you tell from the artwork (time period, artist, etc.)?* |

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### Selected Artwork: Aunt Becky by Le’Ana Asher

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| **Observations** | **Parts** | **Title** | **Interrelationships** | **Conclusion** |
| What do you notice or observe in this piece of art? Native jingle dress dancer | What are the parts of this artwork? What are the details? close up on the upper back of jingle dress dancer,  beadwork is primarily floral, which is predominantly Ojibwe  eagle feather and plume  crowd and other dancer and small girl in blurred background  from viewpoint of a spectator | What does the title tell you about the artwork? How does it relate to what you see? maybe a little niece looking at her auntie who’s getting ready to dance | How do different parts of the painting work together to convey the artist’s message? pride in family, pride in the dancing, maybe wishing they could dance | What does this artwork convey? What details can you tell from the artwork (time period, artist, etc.)? |

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### Selected Artwork: Pueblo Feast Day 2005 by David Bradley

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| **Observations** | **Parts** | **Title** | **Interrelationships** | **Conclusion** |
| What do you notice or observe in this piece of art? people sitting down to eat at the dining room table  lots of colors  a variety of people | What are the parts of this artwork? What are the details?  * kids laying on the Navajo rug on the floor * Navajo woman in regalia feeding child beside her * man in Mexican garb talking to monk * at the head of table a Pueblo man and daughter standing * wife offering Mona Lisa some food * Lone Ranger sits at center of table * American art   + Son of Man   + American Gothic   + Mona Lisa   + Whistler’s Mother   + Georgia O’Keefe flowers | What does the title tell you about the artwork? How does it relate to what you see? Pueblo feasts = sharing food, feed everyone | How do different parts of the painting work together to convey the artist’s message? mix of all culture of New Mexico and art world | What does this artwork convey? What details can you tell from the artwork (time period, artist, etc.)? |

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### Selected Artwork: Quarantining at Gramma’s House by Jonathan Thunder

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| **Observations** | **Parts** | **Title** | **Interrelationships** | **Conclusion** |
| What do you notice or observe in this piece of art? gaming images mixed w/native images | What are the parts of this artwork? What are the details?  * mom and kid washing hands at the sink * buffalo cooking in oven, mario characters, cat and dog, * elder telling kids story, uncle singing w/hand drum, Dr. in mask with a game icon behind him * fortnite character, gramma with a shotgun, melting clock on wall (art) * elder in headdress and bunny slippers at the door with a coup stick * covid at the door | What does the title tell you about the artwork? How does it relate to what you see? extended family all quarantining together at gramma’s house | How do different parts of the painting work together to convey the artist’s message? life continues inside the family home, mix of past and present, and outside virus trying to get in | What does this artwork convey? What details can you tell from the artwork (time period, artist, etc.)? |