

Riverside Meadows Academy – KS4 Art Level Descriptors

Grade descriptors for GCSEs graded 9 to 1 extrapolated from the Ofqual Grade 2, 5 and 8 descriptors.
 Whilst the achievement of a Grade is a pass, a “Good Pass” is indicated as achieving Grade 4 or above.

Subject Strands	
Grade 1	To clearly demonstrate minimal ability to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • develop ideas through investigations and demonstrate critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 2	To adequately demonstrate some ability to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • develop ideas through purposeful investigations and demonstrate critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language
Grade 3	To adequately demonstrate a moderate ability to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through purposeful investigations and demonstrate critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 4	To convincingly demonstrate a moderate ability to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through purposeful investigations and demonstrate critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 5	To adequately demonstrate a consistent ability to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through purposeful investigations and demonstrate critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 6	To clearly demonstrate a consistent ability to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through purposeful investigations and demonstrate a critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 7	<p>To just demonstrate a highly developed ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through creative and purposeful investigations and demonstrate a critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by thoughtfully and effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 8	<p>To clearly demonstrate a highly developed ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through creative and purposeful investigations and demonstrate a critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by thoughtfully and effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.
Grade 9	<p>To adequately demonstrate an exceptional ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skilfully and rigorously record ideas, observations and insights through drawing and annotation. • effectively develop ideas through creative and purposeful investigations and demonstrate a critical understanding of artists work. • refine ideas by thoughtfully and effectively selecting and purposefully experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes. • present a personal and meaningful response and demonstrate understanding of visual language.