Content Connections:

Informational Writing

Scott Foresman 1st grade story *Tippy-Toe, Chick Go*

**Roosevelt Elementary SALT Integrated Lesson Plan**

Chicks



**Artists Habits of Mind**

Develop Craft

Engage & Persist

Envision

Express

Observe

Reflect

Stretch & Explore

Understand the Art World

**Art Standards**: 4.1.5 *Know how different visual art media, techniques, and processes are used to communicate ideas, experience, and stories.*

**Alignment Standards**: Writing – W.1.2 *Write informative/explanatory texts in which they name a topic, supply some facts about the topic, and provide some sense of closure.*

**Materials**: S.F. story *Tippy-Toe, Chick Go*, Watercolor paper, blue painter’s tape, drawing paper, watercolor paints, flat paintbrushes, round paintbrushes, paper towel, Sharpies.

**21st Century Skills**

Global Awareness

Creativity and Innovation

Critical Thinking and Problem

Solving

Communication and Collaboration

ICT Literacy

Flexibility and Adaptability

Initiative and Self-Direction

Productivity and Accountability

Understand the Art World

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| **Art Elements** | **Art Principles** |
| \_x\_Line | \_\_Pattern |
| \_x\_Shape/Form | \_\_Rhythm/movement |
| \_\_Color | \_x\_Proportion/Scale |
| \_\_Value | \_\_Balance |
| \_\_Texture | \_\_Unity |
| \_\_Space/Perspective | \_\_Emphasis |

**Grade**: 1st Grade

**Time**: 1 ½ - 2 hours

**Preparation:**

Have children read story, *Tippy-Toe, Chick Go*, in their S.F. book.

Gather materials.

Use blue painter’s tape to make a frame around the edge of the watercolor paper and to adhere the paper to the table for each student.

**Vocabulary**:

*composition, horizon, wet on wet, background, texture, proportion, environment*

**I Cans**

I can write a topic.

I can write some facts about a topic.

I can provide closure to my writing piece.

**Lesson:**

1. Review with the class the information they have learned about chicks. What are the parts of a chick? What shapes do you think would work well to draw these? What kind of things do chicks do and what is their environment?
2. Draw different chicks on the board showing how simple shapes can be put together to create drawings of chicks doing different things.
3. Pass out drawing papers and have students practice sketching chicks.
4. Talk with the class about the different places you might find chicks. Draw these background elements on the board to create a *composition*.
5. Have students think about their “*compositions*”. Where is/are their chick/chicks? What is their chick doing?
6. Have students begin drawing out their *composition* on watercolor paper. Emphasize using the space and drawing bigger. The chicks are the “star” of the *composition*.
7. Demonstrate adding color to chicks and surroundings. Talk about the *horizon* and have the children add it to their composition. Stress that the sky/ or large background should be left blank for the watercolor.
8. Have students begin to add color to their chicks’ feet, eyes, beaks and smaller details in the surroundings using colored Sharpies. Pass out containers of water, watercolors, paper towels, flat, and round brushes.
9. Demonstrate *wet on wet* for the students. Show them the *lift technique* using a paper towel or Kleenex to make clouds.
10. Have students add watercolor to their images and background areas.
11. Let dry and remove the painter’s tape.
12. Have students write informational text about chicks.
13. Reflect on the activity.

**Lesson description:**

*Students will use their knowledge of chicks to help them as they learn how to use shapes to draw chicks and their environment.*

**Teacher Background Knowledge:**

Teachers will need to have an understanding of watercolor techniques.

Teacher will need to have some knowledge about chicks.

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*Assessment*

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| **Thumbs Down** | **Don’t Know** | **Thumbs Up** | **Assessment Question** |
|  |  |  | Did you use your personal best during this lesson? |
|  |  |  | Did you actively listen and follow directions? |
|  |  |  | Did you use your creativity? (is it original?) |
|  |  |  | Did you complete your project? |
|  |  |  | Did you incorporate the art media? |
|  |  |  | Does the artwork show the elements and/or principles discussed? |
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