

Lesson Plan for Grade 3: Home (Part Two)

Activity: City Skyline Silhouettes

Estimated Time: 90 minutes

Materials (for 20 students):

Examples of famous city skylines, including Knoxville skyline
Black Construction Paper - 12x18 (Each student needs a half sheet - 6x18)
Watercolor Paper - 12x18
Liquid Watercolor - Red, Orange, Yellow, Purple, Blue
Wide Flat Brushes
Water
Scissors
Glue Sticks
Crayons - Yellow and White
Pencils

Objectives:

- 1) Show examples of skylines from famous cities around the world. Discuss what makes them have their unique shapes. Ask the kids to describe what they think the Knoxville skyline looks like. Guide the conversation to discuss what makes Knoxville specifically unique. Show actual photo of Knoxville skyline, and discuss history of Sunsphere and other buildings.
- 2) Begin by painting background. Use watercolor paper and liquid watercolors. Paint a sunset, starting with lightest colors at bottom and working up to darkest colors at the top. Set aside to dry.
- 3) Using pencils, have students lightly draw the outline of their buildings on black construction paper. Using yellow and white crayons, allow students to add details.
- 4) Glue skylines to sunset backgrounds. Be careful to align the bottom of the buildings with the bottom of the background paper.



TN Visual Art Standards: Grade 3

3.VA.Cr1.A Elaborate on an imaginative idea.

3.VA.Cr2.A Create artwork to meet personal criteria, using a variety of artistic processes and materials and developmentally appropriate craftsmanship

3.VA.Cr2.C Individually or collaboratively construct visual representations of objects or places from everyday life.