Character Development

Create a character based on a work of art.

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**MATERIALS**

- Paper and pencils

**LENGTH**

- 20–25 minutes

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**STEP 1**

Go to our online database and pick a work of art from our collection: [emuseum.toledomuseum.org](http://emuseum.toledomuseum.org)

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**STEP 2**

Spend 2–3 minutes looking at the work of art closely.

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**STEP 3**

After close looking, imagine you are looking through someone else’s eyes to see this scene. Who is your character? (This doesn’t need to be a human character). Take 10–15 minutes to fill out the following information about your character:

- **Age:**
- **Height:**
- **Weight:**
- **Hair Style:**
- **Clothing:**
- **Accessories:**
- **Occupation:**
- **Hobbies:**
- **Character’s Name:**

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**STEP 4**

From your character’s perspective answer the following questions:

1. What did your character see?
2. A secret:

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**DISCUSSION**

Share your character and use their responses to lead into a discussion about the work of art. What visual cues in the art work inspired you to create your character?