

2. A Roman Town – The Art Gallery – SAMPLE LESSON

Scene 2 - The Art Gallery

In this lesson the Teacher can be the film Director or just brief an able student to give the directions.

Director - Our film will show how The Romans were very creative and worked with many different materials. We must create a scene gives some examples of Roman artists. Now can I have some suggestions from the actors?

Prompts suggestions and draws on knowledge

Director - So we might have mosaic artists, painting frescoes on wet plaster and also sculptors working on busts. Your task will be to create a scene in which a rich person has commissioned a sculptor to create a bust of them or a fresco for example.

Divide the class into groups to become the various artists.

If it is a fresco picture one person will be the sculptor the others will become the people in the fresco making a tableau or freeze picture of it.

If it is a sculpture you might have two sculptor and two people involved as the actual sculpture being created.

The students will mime being the artists/works of art and the teacher as Director can ask them about the important person that they are creating.

They can show their scenes to the other students after a while. As they are doing this you can introduce the rich character who has commissioned the artwork to come and see how it's getting on.

The teacher (as the Director) will say whether this person is happy or not with the sculpture/art work.

The teacher could demonstrate this first to the “actors” by entering a scene as a rich person and saying how awful it is and how it had better be put right.

The students will find this quite funny especially if the rich person thinks he looks very ugly in the scene and if he has a pompous manner they will pick up on the characterisation.

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