Component 2 Art, Craft and Design Standard Mark – 46



Performance Level 4: Competent and Consistent

| | AO1 | AO2 | AO3 | AO4 |
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| Mark | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| Performance Level | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| | Mostly competent and consistent ability | Mostly competent and consistent ability | Fully competent and consistent ability | Fully competent and consistent ability |

Keywords from the taxonomy:

Purposeful, Secure, Engaged, Skilful, Thoughtful, Cohesive

Moderator commentary

This Component 2 Art, Craft and Design submission consists of a square sketch pad and a mixed media outcome created during the 10-hour period of sustained focus in response to the theme of 'Power'. Images selected for this submission reflect the characteristics of work placed at the higher end of Performance Level 4, Competent and Consistent ability with a mark of 46/72. The strength of the submission lies in Assessment Objectives 3 and 4, Record and Present.

The preparatory period begins with the candidate creating visual and written mind maps alongside secondary source imagery reflecting their interest in the 'power of photography in fashion'. A 'statement of intent' accompanies a second visual mind map, evidencing an engaged approach to expanding their ideas further on 'the power of photography in society'. These images, along with a selection of Karl Lagerfeld photographs for Prada, inspire the candidate to plan a photoshoot of their brother, focusing on the potential and limitations of natural versus artificial light. This is followed by several skilful observational pencil drawings of cropped viewpoints from these images.

Photography plays a central role in the development and refinement of ideas for this submission, with purposeful investigations into the photographic styles of Julia Hetta and Eve Arnold, particularly emphasising the contrast between subject matter and background in natural light. A visit to London further inspires the candidate to explore this concept, through recording architecture, street scenes and figures through both photoshoots and observational drawings.

In preparation for the 10-hour period of sustained focus, the candidate refines their ideas and techniques on 'the power of photography in society' by responding to the collage work by John Measures, which combines multiple views of the urban landscape using layers of digitally edited photographs, drawings and paintings.

Annotation throughout the submission demonstrates a competent critical understanding of sources and an ability to express ideas, thoughts and intentions in a thoughtful and meaningful way. For example, the candidate writes: "I plan to use the idea of juxtaposition by collaging images in an out- of- the- box way using different perspectives and viewpoints."

The candidate's final mixed media outcome reflects a secure creative journey informed by their investigations and demonstrates a competent and consistent understanding of visual language through the application of formal elements.

In order for the submission to move to the top of Performance Level 4, the candidate could demonstrate greater evidence of ability within AO1 and AO2, particularly by focusing on refining techniques and processes to fully realise their intentions.





































