

What Independent Study Looks Like In...Art & DT

1. Brush up on your basics – practice your drawing skills.
2. Search online for inspiration – find images and photographs that fit with themes you are exploring or inspire themes you haven't thought of yet.
3. Find ideas in the everyday world: take a ten minute walk and then produce a sketch or design based on something you have seen.
4. Be unique – take a risk and try something different like a different technique or a different theme. Things that don't work out are still valuable learning experiences.
5. Experiment with different materials: if you normally always draw or paint try working with something else; if you always construct from wood try a different material.
6. Research different designers & artists, including their lesser known work.
7. Plan your projects: set yourself a timetable for producing enough work and completing it by the final deadlines.
8. Look back on your past work, including from GCSE or KS3, and reflect on how you could improve it from what you know now.
9. Compare your work with a classmate and swap constructive feedback on where you could go with it.
10. Listen to some art and design podcasts for both tips and inspiration.

