

Gallery Game

Try Out the 30-Second Look



Did you know that most people spend only about 3 to 5 seconds looking at a work of art in a museum? Play this fun looking game with any work of art, and you will uncover more details than you see at a glance. Here's what to do:

- 1) Ask someone in your family to be the timekeeper. Have the entire family look at a work of art for 30 whole seconds. Notice as many details as you can find. Don't talk to each other about what you see yet!
- 2) When time is up, turn away from the work of art, with your back to it. Talk together as a family about all the things you noticed. Did you notice the same things? Was there a detail that only one of you noticed?
- 3) Turn back around to face the work of art. Talk together about what you noticed. Are there things you missed the first time around? Does this work of art remind you of anything in your own life?

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