

Summary of Composition & Style

There are 30 terms shown in *italics* below. The terms identify some of the tools used by artists. You are to use ten of the terms in your essay. You are to identify the term then describe where and how the artist used the tools in their artwork.

Here is a sample sentence that identifies the term properly and describes how the artist used the tool:

Western Art:

Edward Hopper used the harsh *dramatic lighting* of the all night diner to focus the viewer's attention on the people in "Nighthawks."

Non-Western Art:

Sharaku shows the two Kabuki actors in very close *proximity*, their noses almost touch.

Composition

Focus

Point of view

Pose

Placement

Grouping

Proximity

Sight lines

Background or setting

General setting

Specific or historical

No background

Lighting

Flat lighting

Contrasting lighting

Dramatic lighting

Use of shapes

Distortion

Angular

Rounded

Style

Use of Color

Monochromatic

Multi-colored

High key

Low key

Use of surface

Brushstrokes are smooth

Brushstrokes are rough

Textures are smooth

Textures are rough

Use of details

Simple shapes

Detailed

Highly detailed

Decorative

Use of perspective

Linear perspective

Atmospheric perspective

Visual perspective

No perspective