

## **101 DRAWING PROMPTS FOR YOUR SKETCHBOOK**

These prompts are intended to inspire you, to spark an idea, and to push you to think outside of the box. The goal is that you will interpret an idea, statement or theme. Sometimes you can do this in a literal, realistic way and sometimes you will do this in a figurative or abstract way. Make sure you choose a variety of topics, styles and ways of interpreting.

You need to complete **one drawing per week** in your sketchbook.

Your drawing should be a **fully finished, rendered art work**.

Your image can be in **pencil, coloured pencil, ink or mixed media**.

Your sketchbook must be submitted **every other week** for evaluation.

### **Evaluation is based on the “3 C’s”**

**CONTENT** – *does your subject matter fit the theme, is it unique, is it challenging, is it a quality image that uses good technique*

**COMMUNICATION** – *does your image visually communicate to the viewer effectively, is your goal clear, does your image depict a deliberate message, topic, theme or subject*

**CREATIVITY** – *is your idea creative in subject matter, depiction and/or style, and does it show your own ideas*

Here we go....

1. **Car part:** Part of a vehicle
2. **Foot:** Draw your foot (no socks or shoe)
3. **Ugly:** Draw something not pretty
4. **Inside:** An interior of something
5. **Closet:** Inside of a closet
6. **Random:** 3 unlikely objects together
7. **Poetry:** Illustrate your favourite poem
8. **Trash:** Draw the contents of a trash can
9. **Green:** Drawing of a house plant (real or artificial)
10. **Texture:** Draw an object that has an interesting surface texture.
11. **Tools of the trade:** Draw tools used in a certain profession
12. **Shoes:** Draw contrasting shoes
13. **Fall:** Draw a grouping of leaves
14. **Full:** Draw a large jar and fill it up with something (candy, toys, rocks, etc)
15. **Desk:** Design a school desk
16. **Delicious:** Draw your favourite snack food in an unusual way
17. **Melting:** Draw an object melting: not a candle
18. **Tooty Fruity:** Draw a bowl of fruit, shade it.
19. **Hands:** Draw hands holding something

20. **Machine:** Draw a mechanical object
21. **Burn:** draw an object on fire or that has been burnt
22. **Keyhole:** what would you see through a key hole
23. **Comic:** Create a comic of your choosing, it must be original and fill the page.
24. **Many Hands:** Draw studies of your hands. Try a variety of positions or overlapping them.
25. **Seeing:** Draw a figure in an environment from your observation- in motion, and/or standing still.
26. **Global:** illustrate a global issue
27. **Face:** Draw several studies of your eyes, nose, and mouth in a variety of positions and poses (fill the page).
28. **Country:** create a collage that represents a country
29. **Reflect:** Draw a metallic object and everything you see in it.
30. **Drive:** Draw or design any kind of vehicle.
31. **Direction:** A page of arrows 3D/2D, different directions, overlapping: really think about composition and colour
32. **At Home:** Draw the inside of your bathroom medicine cabinet without rearranging the objects. Make one change adding one object that does not belong.
33. **Egg-er-ific:** In a minimum of four stages you will illustrate something being born from an egg. Be creative.
34. **Transport:** Invent an outrageous mode of transportation. You can use human, animal, or imaginary characters in drawing (i.e. a flying monkey pulling a cart).
35. **Myth:** Illustrate a mythical creature (try doing some research first).
36. **Still Life:** Use 3 – 4 objects that you own that are related to each other in some way. Set them up in an interesting composition. At least two of the objects must overlap. Draw what you see!
37. **Get Greek:** Design and draw a sculpture of a Greek God or Goddess.
38. **Idiom:** Choose a saying or an **idiom** that usually doesn't mean what it actually says and illustrate it literally. Example "Raining Cats and Dogs"
39. **Character:** Create a character and draw them several times with different facial expressions
40. A perspective of an international monument or building
41. Urban or Street Art
42. **Fashion:** A person dressed in traditional or cultural dress/attire
43. A cliché
44. Robots
45. Person or people dancing
46. The Grey Side of Life
47. Mystery
48. 100 years from now
49. Imaginary Friend
50. Bright
51. Crime Scene
52. Nature's Fury
53. A social justice issue
54. Where I see kindness
55. Time
56. **Disintegrating:** an object that is crumbling, falling apart and worn/weathered
57. If I were 3" tall
58. Lost and Found
59. **Hair:** design a unique hair style and capture it's shine and texture
60. **Action:** a dynamic sport figure in action
61. Glass objects under a strong light source

62. **Keys:** drop a set of keys on the table and draw them however they fall
63. Your pet
64. A science experiment
65. A balanced breakfast
66. An impenetrable jungle
67. **Board Game:** an angled close up view of part of a board game
68. **Tangled:** Rope, Ribbons, Chains
69. **TechNO:** a piece of technology that is no longer used or obsolete
70. **Straight on:** something or someone coming straight at the viewer, right out of the page
71. Zombies
72. Carnivorous plants
73. Clothing draped over a chair
74. A Disney character as a skeleton
75. A spilled cup of coffee on a table
76. A ferocious animal
77. **Tools:** draw tools used for a specific job
78. **Garbage:** The contents of a trash can
79. **Motion sequence:** create a series of drawings of people in sequential motion
80. Design a tattoo for a specific person
81. Childhood fears
82. A henna tattoo on a hand/wrist
83. **Stacked:** random objects stacked precariously
84. A sink full of dishes
85. A vase of flowers
86. Kids on a playground
87. Dream land
88. Share
89. Stare
90. Flight
91. Make a wish
92. Visualize a song
93. **Microscopic:** Germs, viruses and/or bacteria
94. **Riding:** someone riding an animal you wouldn't usually ride
95. A person in an awkward position
96. Something that reminds us of the beauty in life
97. **Fashion:** Stereotype of an era or genre
98. **Perspective:** of an imaginary land
99. Being quiet
100. An ice sculpture
101. Hop! Skip! Jump!