

Draw the Ocean as You See It

This is an ice-breaker activity to get students thinking about the ocean and what they know about it. It also serves as an assessment of prior knowledge.

Objective

- Students will become engaged in the topic and begin to visually organize perceptions and facts about the ocean.

Materials

- Drawing paper
- Color pens or pencils
- Tacks, tape to hang drawings

Procedure

1. Hand out paper/drawing supplies and have the students work either individually or in groups to draw what they know about the ocean.
2. Hang up the drawings and lead a “gallery walk,” having the artists share what they drew. Instructor can begin to introduce key vocabulary and concepts through discussion of drawings.
3. Save the drawings to revisit at the end of the course.