

Modernism in Art and Literature

Compare and contrast these images found on the Metropolitan Museum website.

Water Lilies, Claud Monet

http://www.moma.org/collection/object.php?object_id=80220



Street, Dresden, Ludwig Kirchner

http://www.moma.org/collection/object.php?object_id=78426

1. Define Modernism and say how and why each of these paintings is modernist? (or not)
2. Identify each as to title, time period, country of origin, context, etc.
3. Describe very carefully. This means look at the painting and say what you see.
4. Discuss the source for the style and time period.
5. Connect the painting to a context. This means you will talk about where the work was done, what it means, and how it makes meaning. Does the subject have meaning? Does the style have meaning?
6. Why does it matter that a painting was created in a particular time and place? Make sure you locate these.



Write at least two complete pages (2-3). 12 point type 1.5 spaced. Include all resources consulted. This means you will tell where you got the information you are including in your analysis. You will need to use the images as a source, then find the answers to the questions in our book, the MoMa website, the MET website, etc. Please be sure if you use the internet that your sources are reliable.

Finished paper is due Wednesday, February 5th. NO late papers. If you want me to look over your paper before you turn it in, please have outlines or some part written early enough for us to discuss.

Make sure you identify the paintings with title, artist, size, medium, and any other important information listed on the website. Edit your papers.