



Let Your Motto Be Resistance: African American Portraits

Family Activity - My Photo Collection

Learning Objective

After this activity, the learner will be able to tell what a collection is and describe what they collect. The learner will examine and organize a collection of photographs to create their own exhibition.

Advance Organizer

A collection is a group of similar things which are organized in a certain way. A collection says who you are and what is important to you.

How do you decide what to collect? Think about an activity that you enjoy and collect something related.

There are many types of collections. A collection should be kept in a special place. But some collections, especially things that are old, need special care called preservation.

Activity

What do you collect?

Fill in the circle next to things you like to collect. If you don't have a collection, choose what you would like to collect.

- Coins Pencils Marbles
- Pennies Dolls Postcards
- Pens Baseball caps Stuffed animals
- Key chains Buttons Rocks
- Books Snow globes Kites
- Seashells Action figures Teapots

If you did not see your collection listed, type what you collect here.

Learn More!

What you choose to collect and how you organize it, is up to you. For almost every type of collection, there are books to help you learn more about what they collect.

With your parent's help, go to the library or online to find out more.

Activity

My Exhibition Title is....

A photograph or photo is a picture taken with a camera. These six photographs are in the National Museum of African American History and Culture's exhibition called, *Let Your Motto Be Resistance: African American Portraits*.

Pretend that you are a photograph collector.

Use the magnifying lens to examine each photo and select four photos for an exhibition.

Group the photos. Why did you group them that way?

Together, what story do these photographs tell?

Now select a frame for your photographs.

Give your exhibition a title.



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