



Philosophical Inquiry

**What is Art?**

We just heard about cryptocurrency billionaire Justin Sun, who made headlines by purchasing a \$9.5 million artwork—an ordinary banana taped to the wall of an art gallery—and then eating it!



Source: <https://youtu.be/XMRK0a-nK9c>



Source: <https://abc11.com/post/crypto-entrepreneur-bought-banana-art-62-million-eats-fruit-hong-kong/15607237/>

The artwork, which was named *Comedian* was originally made with a banana that cost less than 40 cents. The banana has been replaced many times and has been eaten before.

As a class or in small groups, have a discussion about what art is and what it's not. We have provided some questions to help start you off. Remember to listen respectfully to everyone's ideas. It's ok if you disagree.

Was the banana stuck to the wall, actually art? Why or why not?

This work was produced by an elephant. Is it art? Why or why not?



This work was produced by AI. Is it art? Why or why not?



Imagine someone asking to paint your portrait. They take a sheet of paper and paint it all a single colour, then stick it up on the wall. "That's your portrait!" they tell you.

How would you feel?

Would it actually be a portrait of you?

Do the artist's intentions matter?

Is there just one definition of art?



## Types of Texts

Read these beginnings with your partner. They're all about the AFLW Grand Final. Which type of text is in each box? Choose from the options below. Try to **underline** language that is typical of each type of text. We've done the first one for you.

### Opinion / Argument

I think everyone should play sports to have fun, not just to win. Winning is great, but it's even better to make friends and enjoy being part of a team.

### Types of Texts

Informative

Autobiography

How To

Opinion / Argument

Story / Narrative



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The North Melbourne Kangaroos are the AFLW champions! They beat the Brisbane Lions by 30 points in the grand final. The team worked hard all season and stayed undefeated to claim their first premiership trophy.

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The crowd cheered as Emma Kearney lifted the premiership cup high into the air. The team hugged and laughed, proud of their hard work and their historic win. For one young fan, watching her heroes win was the best moment of her life.

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When I stepped onto the field for the AFLW grand final, I felt a mix of nerves and excitement. Playing in front of thousands of fans was incredible. Scoring a goal in the last quarter made me feel like I'd truly helped our team win.

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How to win a grand final!

- Train hard every week.
- Study your opponent's strengths and weaknesses.
- Work together as a team.
- Stay focused during the game.
- Celebrate your win with your teammates!