

Winter Scene
Hendrik Avercamp (1585 – 1634)
Dutch and Flemish Masters

Grade: Kindergarten
Month: January
Theme: Winter/ Weather

What do you see in this painting?

What feelings do you have when you look at this painting?
Happy? Sad? Noisy? Quiet? Friendly? Scary? etc.

Who are these people? What are they doing? How are they dressed?

Who would you like to be in this painting?

Would you like to visit this place?

How can you tell this place is not where you live?

What kind of day is this? Is this a special day or an ordinary day?

What time of day is it in this painting? (morning, afternoon, evening, before supper, after supper, etc)

What kind of buildings do you see? What kind of people would be in those buildings?

How far away does the river go?

How would this scene be different if it was in the summer time?

How did Avercamp show us what the weather was like on this day?

When you look at the sky, do you think it will snow soon? Why do you think that?

Do the colors look real? Why or why not?

Close your eyes and then open them to look at the painting again. What do you see first?
Why? Is it because of the color, shape, what is closest to you (placement), etc.

What is the biggest shape in this painting?

What does the scene look like outside this painting (outside the picture plane)? Are there more buildings? Trees? etc. What do they look like?

How are these people the same as people today?

Do you like this painting? Why or Why not?

What would you name this painting?

If you were painting a picture of wintertime:

-Where would you live?

-What would be in your painting?

-What would people be doing?

-How would they be dressed?

-How would you show “wintertime”?

-What colors would you use?