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## How to use this guide

Arts in Junior Cycle encourages active engagement when using short films in the classroom. The suggested questions and activities below are a sample of how this film featuring Joanne Reid can be incorporated into classroom practice. In adapt-ing this resource for your students, you should consider the age and stage of the students within your school context. This film was produced in collaboration with the Royal Hibernian Academy of Arts (RHA).

### Key Skills focus: Being Creative | Communicating

#### Before Viewing

Consider prior knowledge in anticipation of viewing

- What part of the creative process excites you most? Why?
- What do you feel is the role of experimentation in your creative process?
- Do your ideas happen by chance or is there a method to how you come up with new ideas? What does idea generation look like in your work?

#### While Viewing

Support active viewing. On second and subsequent viewing, pausing may be used for specific focus

- Joanne speaks about enjoying materials research in the studio. Is experimenting with materials something that excites you? Why / Why not?
- Joanne speaks about her work being a response to her every-day environment. She mentions a slice of lemon discarded on the ground catching her eye and inspiring her work. Have you had any similar experiences?
- *'It's okay to make something that isn't good, that's a failure. It's okay to have a bad day.'* Do you agree? What can be learned from those types of experiences?

#### After Viewing

Follow up on key ideas and synthesise information learned

- Has your understanding of the work of a sculptor changed as a result of watching this film?
- Joanne says she is *'obsessed with building sites'* as a source of inspiration for her work. Consider what you are passionate about. Could it lead to ideas for your work? Take some time to think about your environment and what excites you.
- Consider taking a trip to a gallery to explore and spend time looking at sculptures.



**Joanne Reid**  
**Sculpture**

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