

Advanced Dance: Choreography Assignment

Purpose:

Students will demonstrate knowledge of proper terminology and dance skills, sequencing ability, and musical interpretation.

Integration:

Technology, Science, Writing

Activity:

1. Choose a theme from one of the following: Nature or Anatomy. Choose a group of 3-5 people.
2. Choose a piece of music to use that has no words.
3. Chart the music out using a count structure.
4. Choreograph a routine for your group. Each member must contribute at least 2 different movement sequences.
5. Using proper dance terminology, write out the routine.
6. Take pictures of elements in and around school that compliment the theme of your choreography. For example: If your theme is nature, take pictures of trees, the sky, clouds, flowers, etc. If your theme is Anatomy, take close up pictures of elbows, toes, or shapes that compliment shapes you can make in your dance.
7. Put all your pictures into a PowerPoint presentation that will serve as the background to your choreography. The slide show should be timed and should advance automatically.

Rubric:

Routine was charted out properly	(30 pts)
Slide show pictures complimented choreography	(30 pts)
Member contribution (score will differ for each member	(30 pts)
Performance Quality	(10 pts)

This project is designed to allow students to be creative without feeling pressure to perform with being graded on technique. For advanced dance classes, their technique level should already be at a "performance quality". I recommend choosing 1 or 2 of the pieces to use in your show...this will allow you to showcase students as well as showcase your integration of technology.