

Here are some ideas for your sketchbook. Remember, your sketchbook is not just about sketches. You can draw, paint, write, take notes, doodle, collage, and anything else you want to do. It is a place for your ideas more than anything.

- A Collection of objects: toys, books, art supplies, cans or bottles, kitchen utensils, etc
- Story Illustrations: Fix stories you don't like. Improve or reflect on those you do
- Junk food and the wrapper
- Part of a vehicle
- Something unappealing
- Interior of something (a room, a box, a shoe, a peanut butter jar, mechanical object, etc.)
- 3 objects that aren't normally together
- Let someone else choose your subject or tell you what to draw.
- The contents of a trash can
- A house plant (real or artificial)
- A pile or grouping of leaves
- Tools that belong to a certain profession
- Draw an object melting
- Draw popcorn
- Draw a figure in an environment: In motion, Standing still, From observation
- Draw an imaginary place—add all kinds of details.
- Gesture drawings—people, things, animals
- Contour line drawings—figures or objects
- Write a short story.
- Do several studies of eyes, noses, and mouths in a variety of positions and poses.
- An interesting object from 3 different views
- Any drawing using two-point perspective
- Fill a page with overlapping shapes. Show where the light would come from and shade accordingly.
- Draw family members with things that are important to them.
- The interior of your room—view from the floor, the bed, the ceiling looking down, etc.
- Study the forms, shapes, lines, and textures and colors of trees.
- Draw dishes that are drying. Add shading.
- Create a fantasy building in a fantasy landscape.
- Make a series of positive and negative space designs.
- Design a tattoo for someone specific—yourself, your family, a celebrity, a teacher, etc.
- Show yourself in 50 years. Show your surroundings, possessions, family, etc.
- Draw your greatest fear.
- Illustrate the best story or joke you've ever heard someone tell.
- Write a poem.
- Copy down favorite quotes or song lyrics.
- Ideas for projects (art or otherwise)
- Create a comic strip.
- Draw pictures of your dreams.
- Go outside and draw where you live.
- Find a famous or important artist on the internet. Write down information about the artist, and what you think about their work. Make sketches of their work that interests you.