



Class in Session

with Jeb Bush

Lessons in the Arts with Romero Britto

Teacher's Guide

[Class in Session with Jeb Bush](#) (#ClassWithJeb) is a series of video conversations with the visionaries of today. Created specifically for secondary school students and relevant for the classroom, these 20-minute virtual conversations—hosted by former Florida Governor Jeb Bush—draw out personal and professional experiences and, especially important, elicit advice for America's next generation from leaders across the nation.

VIDEO

[WATCH: Lessons in the Arts with Romero Britto](#)



“Brazilian-born and Miami-made” founder of the Happy Art Movement, Romero Britto, shares his insights on his journey as an artist. He also talks about the significance of arts in education as well the importance of discipline and friends.

PROMPTS FOR STUDENTS

As you watch the video, think about the following:

- **Family** - Romero talks how his mother is his hero. Who is your hero?
- **Dreams** - Why are they so important? What will you do when realizing your dreams becomes difficult?
- **Adventure** - Romero ventured from Brazil to Paris to see what would happen. Where would you go? What would you do?
- **Discipline** - Serious art requires discipline. What does discipline mean? How can it help you achieve your dream?
- **Mentorship** - Romero believes that mentors are critical to finding your motivation. How can friends and mentors help you discover your passion?



ASSIGNMENTS FOR STUDENTS

Choose one of the following assignments in response to the video [Lessons in the Arts with Romero Britto](#).

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EXPLORE

Romero Britto says that he is Brazilian born and Miami made. Color is critical to his artistic style. [See him talk more about that.](#)

Romero has been giving art classes online. Check out a [painting class](#) or his post on [Memorial Day](#).

Discipline has been important for Romero's art and business. Want to learn more about self-discipline? Check out this [short talk](#) about what Marcus Aurelius said about self-discipline.

Want to start something new? Find a mentor who can help you along the way. [Listen to Simon Sinek](#) describe what a mentor is in two minutes.

DISCUSS

Discuss one of the following questions with someone:

- Romero Britto talks about how television influenced him as a child. How has television influenced you? Has it been positive, negative or offered some of each?
- Talk about a time when you did something hard but so worth your time. When was that, and why did you do it?
- Who has encouraged you? What does encouragement feel like? Does it always feel good?
- What moves you to do things you would not do by yourself?

WRITE

Select one of the following writing prompts:

- [Write a Haiku](#) about your mom or your dad.
- [Write a limerick](#) about an artist, a friend or a hero.
- Where will you be in five years? Describe what you do and why you do it.
- Write a story about an artist who leaves their country to start a new life.

ILLUSTRATE

Choose one of the following prompts to create a piece of art, produce a video, write a song or create a dance. Send a photo or video to Jeb@ExcelinEd.org.

- When you look at your mother (or father), who do you see?
- When a fence is between you and your dream, what do you do?
- When you want slow down, how do you keep going?
- When you need some advice, where do you go?