

LESSON PLAN

CREATING A COOL CAR

Series: Cool Cars

Objective

To help students use details from a nonfiction book about cars to design and draw a new car model.

Supplies

- One or more books in the Cool Cars series
- Pencils and paper
- Pens, colored pencils, or markers

Before the Activity

Set out the art supplies on a table for students to use.

Activity

Books in the Cool Cars series highlight popular car companies and the different models they make. Have students choose one book from the series. As students read, they should make a list of five features they found cool or interesting. Each feature should be from a different model. For example, students may like the gold design from the BMW Vision Next 100. But they may want the power from the M8 and the hands-free driving from the X5. Students should write these five features on a piece of paper.

Then, ask students to design a new car that combines those five features. Students should use the pens, colored pencils, or markers to draw their car. They should also add arrows that point to and label each of the five features they chose. Once the drawings are complete, have each student turn to a partner. They will share their drawings with one another and talk about what features they chose.

Evaluation

Collect the drawings at the end of the activity. Give students up to 10 points:

- 1 point for each of the five features they correctly list from the book
- 1 point for each of the five features they include and label in the drawing