

Worksheet: Investigating Symbols (continued)

Note how Ehren Tool translates the imagery back again by using it on his cups. The toy gas mask becomes an image on a cup about war. How can you use some of these images in your own creation? What meaning will be expressed when you use them?

Begin sketching ideas for your cup. Think about imagery, symbols, and potential decorations that you want to use. Do you wish to use any words or phrases? Consider how you will use paint or glaze, if working with clay, or collaged images, markers, and paint, if working with a paper cup.

What do you want your design to communicate? How will you do that? After sketching, ask classmates how they “read” your design. Does their reading match your intention?

