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Directions: In this question, you will be asked to give your opinion about a familiar topic. After you hear the question, you will have 15 seconds to prepare your response and 45 seconds to speak.

Some people think that teaching art to schoolchildren is a waste of time. Young children should concentrate on important subjects like math, science, and language. Others think that teaching children about art enriches their lives. Which opinion do you agree with and why? Use details and examples to support your choice.
I think that teaching art to young children is mostly a waste of time. I know it is done in hope to foster an interest in art for the future, but how many children actually end up that interested in art? I also think that most of the art that a child learns about is from on their own. What I mean is that they develop an interest in art on their own. They should be given the choice to study about art on their own when they are older. Once they get older, they should be given class options: they can take art as an elective if they choose. But, while the children are young, they should concentrate on the more basic subjects that are building blocks for higher education like math, science, and language. These subjects are more important.