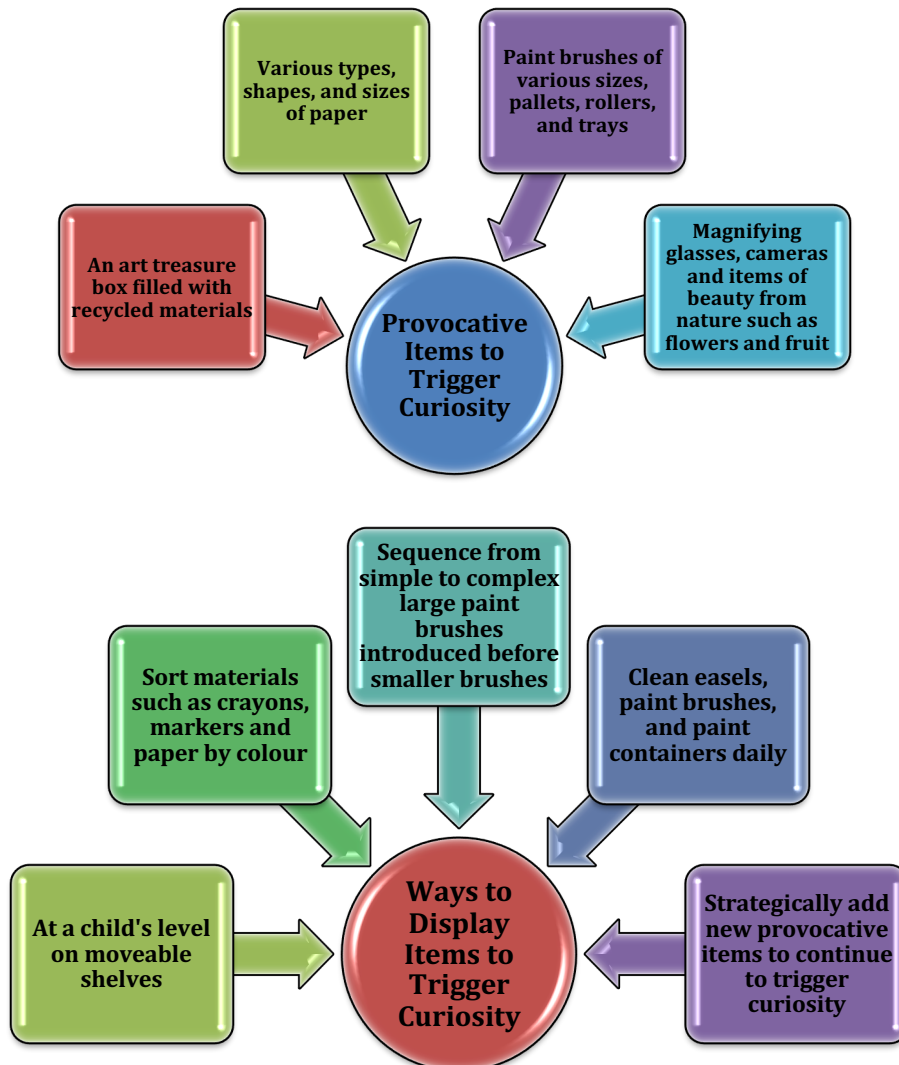
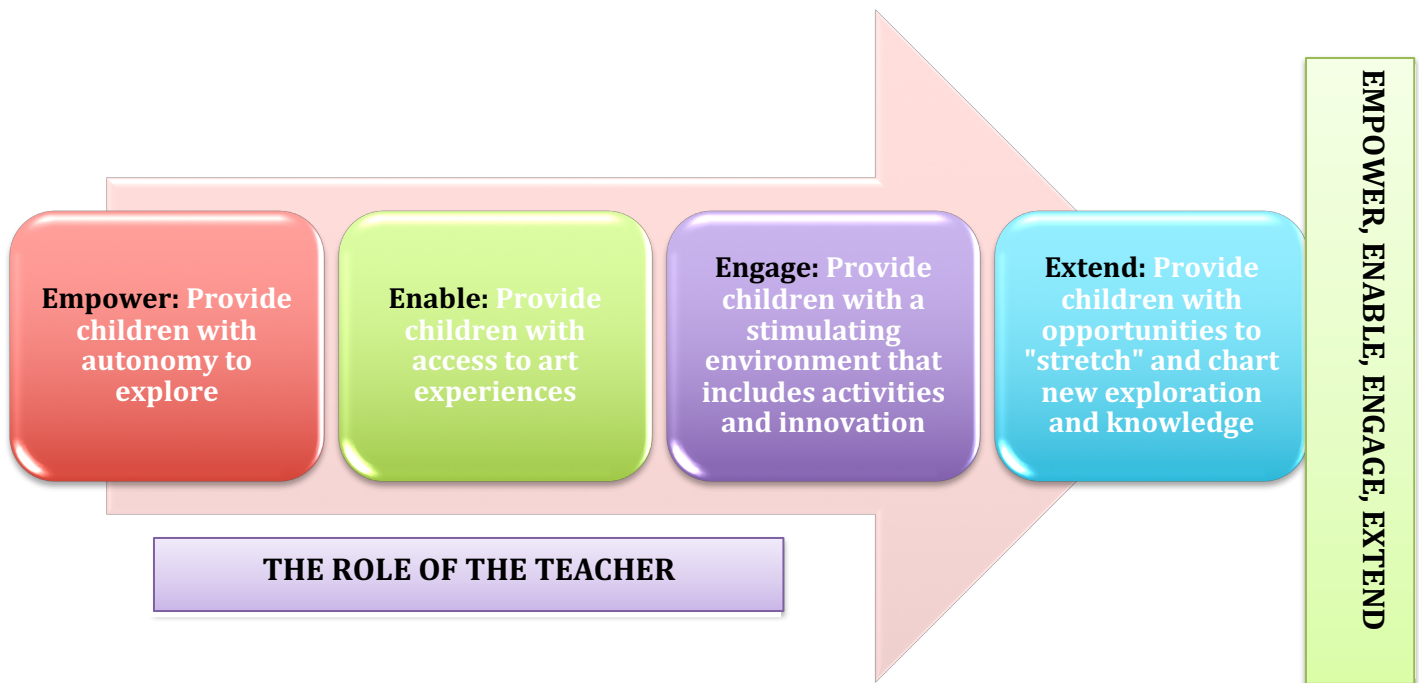


Environments: Basics and Beyond Art and The Role of the Teacher

- Encourage children to examine possibilities, think about options, and solve problems in creative ways.
- Encourage children to take risks and make mistakes.
- Support growth by providing idea options for the child to consider.
- Provide children with opportunities to observe, explore, and experience aspects of other cultures relative to their life experiences.
- Display children's artwork at their eye level, in an aesthetically pleasing format.
- Offer art experiences in both the indoor and outdoor play environments.
- Provide children with an array of materials and choices for exploration to trigger curiosity.
- Display and organize the materials in ways to trigger curiosity.





Children flourish in environments that provide them with opportunities to engage in art experiences that are aesthetically designed open-ended encounters. Children also benefit when their teachers engage in observations, reflection, and dialogue about art. This will support the children in their construction of art-based knowledge. Children will pay attention to their art and think critically about elements of art and design when their teachers ask questions that lead to dialogue.

