Lesson Plan: AI Art: Characters (1 hour)

Objective: Students will learn about AI-generated art, specifically focusing on character creation, and experiment with creating their own AI-generated characters using Playground.ai.

Materials:

Student: Computer/smartphone/tablet, internet connection, email, Playground.ai account

Teacher: Projection equipment for PowerPoint presentation, printer

Warmup (10 minutes):

Students will discuss the concept of a prompt and how it relates to AI-generated art.

Students will discuss animated characters and their importance in visual storytelling.

Activity 1: Guess the Prompt (10 minutes):

Show an AI-generated image on the PowerPoint presentation.

Have students try to guess the prompt used to generate the image.

Discuss as a class how the prompt and image relate to each other.

Activity 2: Creating AI Characters (15 minutes):

Instruct students to open a Playground.ai account if they don't already have one.

Guide students through experimenting with prompts to generate AI characters.

Have students choose one of their generated images and email it to the teacher's email address.

Activity 3: AI Art Gallery (10 minutes):

Print the students' generated images and display them throughout the classroom.

Students will walk around the room, viewing each image and writing down what they think the prompt was to generate that image.

Activity 4: Gallery Discussion (10 minutes):

Students will return to their image, write the real prompt on a card or paper, and stand by their image.

Students will mingle and discuss the AI-generated art, sharing their thoughts on the prompts, techniques, and creativity involved.

Cooldown (5 minutes):

Review other platforms where students can generate art and showcase their work.

Open the floor for students to ask questions about AI-generated art, the tools used, or how to further their skills in this area.