Look

Take a look at the settings in both of these paintings. Notice what the figures are doing in each painting. Find the similarities and differences. Gauguin was fascinated by color and how it made him feel.

Gauguin said, “Look at a great spider, a tree trunk in the forest—both arouse strong feeling, without your knowing why . . . All our five senses reach the brain directly.”

Ask

Think of a place that looked, smelled, or sounded different than your home. List some things you remember about that place:

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Circle the colors you would want to use to show that place.
Create

Find one of the carved gable figures made by Māori artists from New Zealand. Most human images in Māori art portray ancestors and are known as tiki. This *tekoteko* (gable figure) likely would have decorated the peak of an important building in a Māori community. These carved figures are similar to those Gauguin saw when he visited museums in Auckland, New Zealand, in 1895.

Choose two different carved figures to draw. Look for the shapes that make the forms of the body and sketch them.