

Unit 4

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Reader's Notebook: Creating Visions

Questions for Creating Visions

Write your responses to the questions below.

Before Reading

Read and respond to the following questions from the article.

1	How can your hands help you "see"?	Your body compensates in other ways when you lose one of your senses. You can feel the shape of items you are creating in your hands.
2	Based on the question and the picture, what do you think the article is about?	The article is about people using clay to mold new objects or creations.
3	What background knowledge do you have of this subject?	Students may have varied knowledge from pottery courses they have taken. Others may have little or no knowledge of pottery.

During Reading

As you read through the article, think about these questions:

4	What pictures can you create in your mind about this girl and what she can do? Can you visualize yourself doing this?	I can visualize her using her hands to mold clay into pottery pieces. I might like to try it.
5	Sketch a picture of the girl in the article creating pottery with her hands or find a picture that shows this. Scan your image separately and send it or submit a digital copy.	

After Reading

This article is about a girl who learned to make pottery, even though she can see very little.

6	What surprised you when you read this article?	Students may be surprised that a blind person can make such beautiful pottery pieces without being able to see them.
7	In the last paragraph, the article talks about the other activities Molly does. How do you think Molly is able to do those activities?	Molly learns to do those activities with lots of practice and with the help of guide dogs.
8	What message do you think the author wants you to get from this article? Why?	The author's message is that people can do anything if they put their mind to it. People with disabilities are capable of accomplishing many different things.