

The Sheldon Sculpture Garden

Torn Notebook

By Claes Oldenburg
and Coosje van Bruggen



<http://net.unl.edu/swi/arts/ntbk.html>



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<http://www.oldenburgvanbruggen.com/cocosboncopy.jpg>

Claes Oldenburg
and Coosje van Bruggen
have been married and
creating work together since
1976.



Oldenburg is considered a pop artist. He wants to make art that does something other than sit...in a museum.

He wants to show fantasy, humor and wit.



The artists use familiar things
and make monumental
sculptures of them in a fun
exciting way.

Their art has roots in daily life.
Do you think everyone loves
their art?



Oldenburg has created sculptures out of many different materials such as popsicles from fur, toilets made of fabric, and drums of leather.



Questions About *Torn Notebook*.






Torn Notebook is based on the notebook that Oldenburg keeps in his breast pocket. The words in the notebook are what the artists wrote about while visiting Nebraska. What would you write about Nebraska?



Questions About *Torn Notebook*.



The spiral on the notebook represents...

-  a tornado
-  doing homework
-  keeping busy



Questions About *Torn Notebook.*



The spiral on the notebook represents...



a tornado



Questions About *Torn Notebook*.



What words do you think would be in *Torn Notebook*?



Building, lights, people, cars



Cactus, snakes,
sun, sand



Wind, buffalo,
grasses,
barbed wire



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If you were to put a sculpture next to this one, what would it be and why?



Here is a fun idea based on *Torn Notebook*



Create a pop art piece using one ordinary object, but make it huge.

Use an old book and alter its form to create a work of art.

Using the words on *Torn Notebook* to write a story.

Find seven pieces of their art and poll your classmates to find out their favorites and why.