

# Student Artist Statement – Contrasting Example

## Artist Statement

### Determined to Succeed

I believe that Roberto Clemente was an everyday hero. Roberto Clemente was an everyday hero because he was determined to play baseball. Roberto tried to ignore the reporters and people said he's lazy, or said he's a Latin hothead, or made fun of his skin color. It probably made him feel bad inside but outside he didn't scream or shout or move back to his home because he knew he was going to prove them wrong. He knew he could play baseball.

What I chose for my third collage was that Roberto had determination. I chose to show three different textures in my collage. They are smooth, rough, and soft. In my collage I had a lot of warm colors next to cool colors like Roberto's skin color against a bright hospital dress. I chose to have overlapping pieces to make it stand out more. I showed in the background I put overlapping like I made the man (Roberto) overlapping the bed.

*[This is an example of a student who is not integrating the art with his or her literacy learning. In the first paragraph, the student identifies a quality (determination) and gives several text-based pieces of evidence to support that quality. In the second paragraph, the student describes what he or she did in the collage but does not connect those artistic choices to the quality or evidence. ]*