



## How to use this guide

Arts in Junior Cycle encourages active engagement when using short films in the classroom. The questions and activities below are a small sample of ways that this film featuring Willie Creighton could be incorporated into the lessons. Teachers will need to consider the unique context and both age and stage of their students when planning how best to use the film and adapt this resource accordingly.

### Key Skills focus: Being Creative | Communicating

#### Before Viewing

Consider prior knowledge in anticipation of viewing

- Is there a handcraft you enjoy? What do you enjoy about it?
- Have you ever spoken to a master craftsman or seen them at work? How/why do you think someone develops a passion for their craft?

#### While Viewing

Support active viewing. On second and subsequent viewing, pausing may be used for specific focus

- Willie speaks about attending a seminar and being inspired by seeing world renowned woodturners. What or who have you seen that inspires you?
- When talking about the beginning of a project, Willie mentions the importance of planning. Why do you think it is important to carefully plan at the start of a project?
- *'If you have the hand skills, you can nearly do anything.'* Willie highlights the value of developing hand skills in woodworking. In a world of technology and machines, why do you think it is still important to learn the basic hand skills in any discipline?

#### After Viewing

Follow up on key ideas and synthesize information learned

- Has your understanding of the process of woodturning changed as a result of watching this film?
- *'If it looks good, it is good.'* Willie mentions that he always considers the golden ratio when designing. Investigate the golden ratio.
- Willie has a passion for passing on the skills he has developed. What skills could you pass on? Who could you inspire?



## Willie Creighton Woodturning

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