

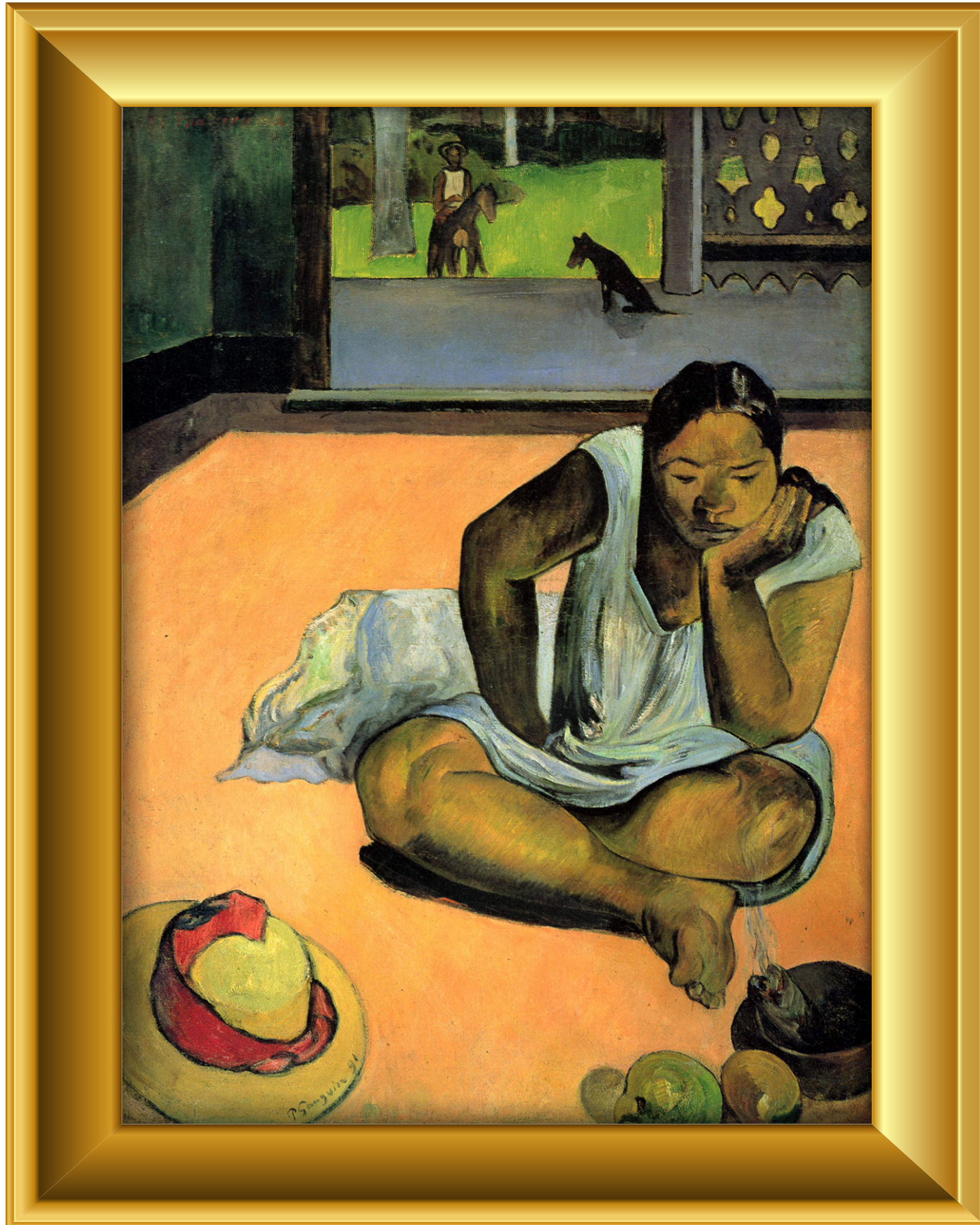
Paul Gauguin



Visual Arts Response Activity



Studyladder



Te Faaturama (Brooding Woman), Gauguin, 1891,
Oil on Canvas, Worcester Art Museum, Massachusetts, USA

Life Drawing

- Print a copy of Studyladder's 'Life Drawing' activity sheet.

Life Drawing means drawing the human figure in different poses from watching a "live" subject.

Draw your friends in comfortable poses. (Being the model is tiring! Take turns)

1) Create a series of quick one minute poses. Sketch with pencil or charcoal and do not rub out. Start with stick figures then draw details over the top.

2) Create a 5 minute sketch.

Look carefully at the direction of lines and the shapes you can see in the figure. Focus on copying shapes and lines.

2) Finally have a friend copy the pose in Gauguin's painting for a 15-20 minute drawing session. Don't forget to give your model a chance to move about every five minutes or so during this drawing session. This will help prevent the model getting sore while they are holding the pose!

