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Michelangelo Buonarroti: Master of Sculpture

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers will vary. Example: I would ask Michelangelo about the inspiration behind his artistic creations and the challenges he faced during his career. Understanding his motivations and experiences would provide valuable insights into his art.
2. Answers will vary. Example: I would compare Michelangelo's sculpting technique with that of Auguste Rodin, a 19th-century sculptor. While both artists sculpted the human form, Michelangelo focused on classical ideals, while Rodin embraced a more naturalistic and emotive approach.
3. "David" endures as a symbol of human potential and courage, appealing to people due to its iconic status, exquisite craftsmanship, and the universal themes it represents, such as bravery and triumph over adversity.
4. The choice of sculptures for the exhibition would depend on the theme, but it might include "David," "Pieta," and select "Captive Slaves." The theme could revolve around the evolution of Michelangelo's sculpting techniques and the human form as a source of inspiration across his works.

