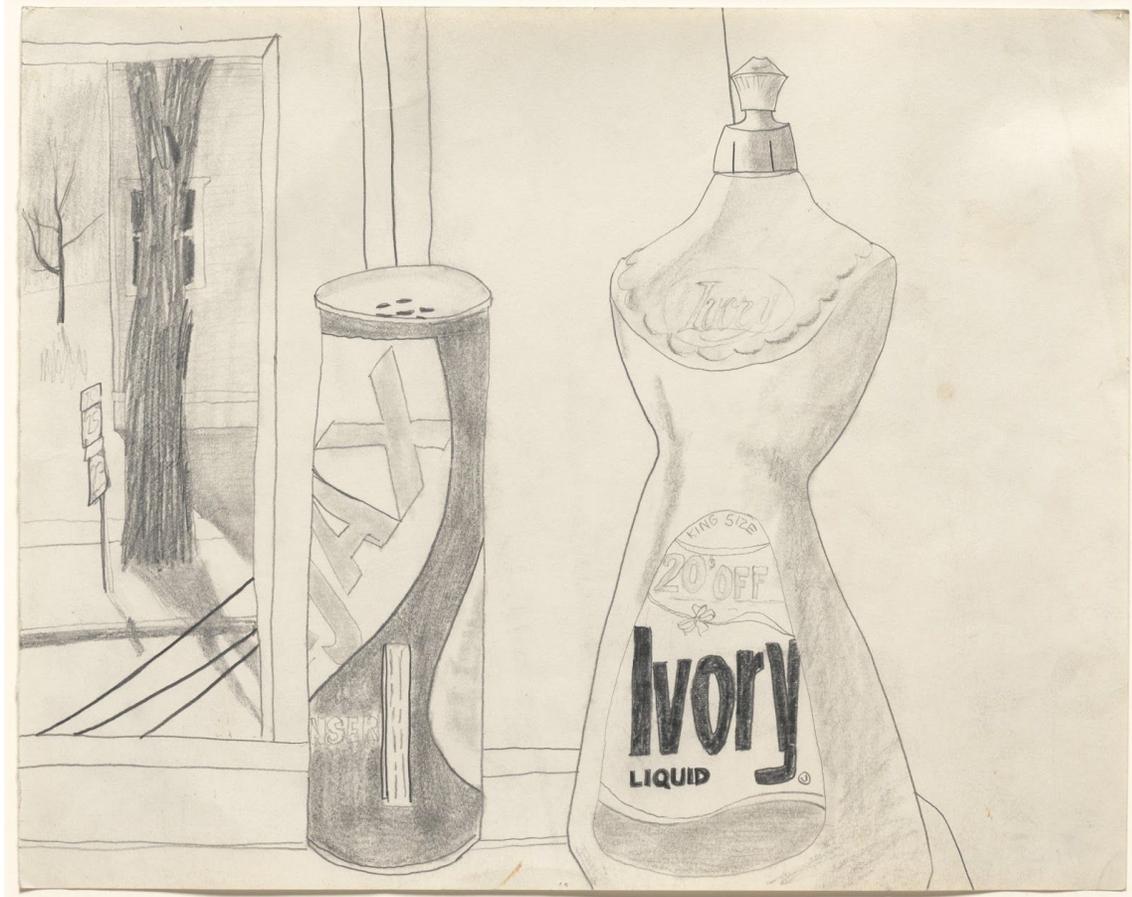


# Mondays with MoMA!

## STEP 1 - Look Closely



To get a closer look, visit this website, then click on the image for a larger view: <https://mo.ma/2TjWxFu>

### Questions:

What did the artist include in this still life?

Why do you think the artist chose to include these objects?

Does using everyday household objects in a still life make them seem more important? How?

What can you see in the background?

## STEP 2: Learn More

Robert Gober drew this still life of Ivory soap and Ajax cleaner. Gober often made art that used or looked like everyday objects.



Gober made the sculpture on the left out of glass then carefully painted it to look like a messy paint can.

Listen here to learn more about Robert Gober's artistic process:

<https://mo.ma/3e1GWMo>

## STEP 3: Activity

### Make a Still Life with Everyday Objects

Materials: Paper, pencil, colored pencils (optional), markers (optional)

1. Collect objects from around your home to include in this still life. Like Robert Gober did, try to focus on household objects, like cereal boxes or soap.
2. Arrange these objects into a still life. Think about how the objects are positioned and also what you want to include in the background.
3. Draw your still life.
4. (Optional) Add color using markers or colored pencils.

## STEP 4: Share!

Send your drawing to a friend or a classmate and ask them what they would include in their still life. Or, you can email it to us at MoMA: [schoolprograms@moma.org](mailto:schoolprograms@moma.org)



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