







YEAR 10 & 11 GCSE ART

DESCRIBE

How does the artist create their work? What can you use in the artwork?

Key thoughts:

- Scale (how big is it?)
- Media (painting, pencil, pen, mixed media, collage, installation, sculpture etc)
- Techniques (how do the use their material? Eg. Flicking action, thickly applied, thinly applied, delicately drawn)
- Colour (complimentary, harmonious)
- Line
- Shape
- Texture
- Composition
- Layering

SENTENCE STARTERS:

The artist uses... to create their artwork.

They use ... technique to create a ... atmosphere.

The colours the artists uses are... this is interesting because...

The composition is very dynamic because...

The focal point is... in the background you can see...

My attention is drawn to...

In the piece you can see..

YOUR OPINION

How does the artwork make you feel? Why? Why did you pick this artwork/artist? How does this relate to your theme?

This artwork has challenged the way I think about...

The message in the artwork has made me think about...

I would like to explore this message / media because...

This artwork has inspired me to look at ... theme... because...

CHECKLIST

- ARTIST'S NAME
 - Write neatly in suitable writing. For extra marks try and convey the artist's work in the artist's name eg mini studies within the letters, using similar techniques or marks.
- STUDIES

Complete at least one study for each artist. This is a copy of the whole or study of a section of a piece of the artists work. For extra marks create a study in the style of the artist.

- ANALYSIS
 - Analyse at least one piece of artwork for each artist.
- IMAGES

Print off and stick in high quality examples of the artist's work.

CONTEXT

Tell me about the artist and why they created their artwork

- Country they live/lived
- Movement (eg. Pop art, renaissance, street art)
- Dates (born and died)
- Historical context (eg. War, politics etc)
- Anything significant about their life that effects/ effected their work
- Does the title change the way you look at the artwork?

SENTENCE STARTERS:

The artist created this artwork to show ...

The artwork links to (historical / social issue because..

Given the social climate at the time this piece was produced...

The artist was inspired by ...

Suggested vocabulary...

| Shape, form, composition | closed, open, dense, sparse, distorted, flat, organic, geometric, deep, positive, negative, foreground, midground, background, composition, curvaceous, elongated, confined, large, small, 2D, 3D |
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| Tone | contrasting, bright, light dark faded, subtle, smooth, harsh, intense, sombre, grey, strong, powerful, faint, delicate, transition, light, medium, midtones, dark, dramatic, chiaroscuro, large, small |
| Pattern and texture | repeated, uniform, grid, geometric, organic, random, symmetrical, soft, irregular, coarse, bold, scaly, bumpy, hairy, furry, wiry, smooth, fine, rough, uneven, spiky, broken, flat |
| Line | fluent, free, rough, organic, jagged, angular, light, dark, geometric, delicate, flowing, simple, layered, overlapping, thick, thin, dense, interrupted, rounded, broken, faint, weight, solid |
| Colour | bright, bold, primary, secondary, tertiary, radiant, dull, vivid, complimentary, harmonious, contrasting, deep, earthy, muted, monochrome, natural, subtle, pale, cool, warm, saturated, luminous, |

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| | Artist: | Artist: | Artist: |
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| DESCRIBE what you can see in their artwork. | | | |
| DESCRIBE how the artist has used their choice of media (materials) to create the artwork. | | | |
| ANALYSE why they have made their choices or the impacts of their artistic choices. What does it make the viewer think/feel? What do you think the artwork is about? COLOUR, COMPOSITION, CONTRAST etc. | | | |
| CREATE some initial bullet points thoughts for your own ideas. What are your favourite things about this artist's work and how could they inspire you? | | | |