

Art

1. Watch the following video. It shows you how to draw a face. Focus on: drawing an oval shape and proportion and the distances between your eyes, nose, mouth and ears. Have a go at drawing your own portrait whilst watching the video. Remember you can pause the video at any time.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ouiam#lnmA>

2. Now look at the most Famous portrait in the world

It's the **MONA LISA** by the Italian artist **LEONARDO DA VINCI** (see attached picture)

Watch the following video about The Mona Lisa painting and afterwards tell an adult why the Mona Lisa is so famous. Why did it have to be put behind a glass screen? What is so special about her smile? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ga-xB-NKeiM>

3. Now look again at the painting of the Mona Lisa – (see attached picture) and discuss the following questions with an adult.

*Do you like the picture? Give a reason for your answer.

*What colours has the artist used to paint the Mona Lisa?

*Some people think Mona Lisa is hiding a secret behind her mysterious smile-what do you think she is thinking?

*Look at the background of the painting. What can you see?

English

LEARN this new word "enigmatic" - it means mysterious smile.

1. After watching the video about the Mona Lisa, write three facts about the Mona Lisa. If you can write more then please do so. Remember to say your sentence out loud BEFORE you write it down. Remember to use a capital letter at the start of the sentence and finish with a full stop.
2. EXTENSION activity

If you want to you can write about what you think the Mona Lisa is thinking about.

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Geography

Think about wider places:

Where was Leonardo da Vinci born?

Where is the painting of the Mona Lisa now?

If you are able, can you find these places on a map. Children are fascinated by maps and showing them creates an interest that they will build upon throughout their school life.

PSHE/PAC

Remember some people think that Mona Lisa has a mysterious smile because she might be holding a secret.

Do you think keeping a secret is right? When is it ok to keep a secret – or when might it not be so good?

Some things to think about – a birthday surprise, keeping a secret diary, a secret place.

History

Focus: Understanding the lives of significant people who have contributed to international achievements- 'Leonardo da Vinci'

After watching the video about the Mona Lisa- answer the following question.

How long ago was the Mona Lisa painted?

Before this time, art and science were not considered important but Leonardo changed the way that people thought about art and science. Leonardo invented lots of things that we have use today that people didn't have back then.

The link below shows some children thinking about some of Leonardo's inventions and they are thinking about something they would like to invent and they are shown drawing it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMrbDEj8U0w>

Can you name some of some of Leonard's early inventions?

4. Now the fun parts. Take a photo of someone you live with- but you have to make it look like the Mona Lisa so have the picture of her in front of you. Think about the following things-

*think about the clothes and hair – make sure the person is wearing the same colour clothes.

*make sure they are sitting in the same way as Mona Lisa

*can you take it outside in the garden or in front of a window to make the background look as though the person is outdoors.

*make sure the person has a mysterious smile (enigmatic smile)

5. Now let someone take a picture of you- but you must pretend to be the Mona Lisa- remember to get the smile and the pose right. SEND US YOUR PHOTOS -WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE THEM

6. Finally – if you want to have a go at drawing and colouring your own version of the Mona Lisa – that would be great – remember what you watched on video- so take care with drawing the shape of the face and the features of the Mona Lisa. Please show us your efforts.

