

Art - Vincent Van Gogh

We have chosen Vincent Van Gogh as the artist for you to explore. You will find a fact-file all about him on our class page. He was interested in painting portraits of people. When he couldn't find models, he would paint himself to practice.

Use a mirror to create your own self portrait. You can use a range of mediums such as, pencils, paints and crayons to create your artwork. Use the self portrait to reflect how you have been feeling about learning from home. Van Gogh used thick paints with lots of swirling lines and dashes to create his work. Look at some of his artwork on our class page.

Remember to send your picture in to be added to our school 'Hold Still' virtual gallery.

Useful websites

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z8fgkqt

www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-vincent-van-gogh

www.coolkidfacts.com/vincent-van-gogh/

www.youtube.com/watch?v=qv8TANh8djl

Geography

Van Gogh was born in the Netherlands. Can you find out some geographical facts about the Netherlands?

- Where in the world is it?
- What continent is it in?
- Is it in the Northern or Southern Hemisphere?
- What other countries boarder it?
- Is it landlocked or does it have an ocean?
- What is the population?
- What is the capital city?

Computing

Can you create a PowerPoint presentation about Van Gogh? Use the internet and the fact file to create a non-chronological report all about Van Gogh.

- Insert images
- Include titles and sub-headings
- Use word art
- Can you make pictures and words appear and disappear at different times using custom animation?

If you don't have PowerPoint at home, you can use paper to design your slides, draw your own images and create your own artistic writing. Take photographs and e-mail them to school.

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History

Look at the fact-file about Van Gogh. What were the key events in his life and when did they take place?

Use your chronological understanding to create a timeline of his life events.

Did Van Gogh's artistic style change over time and if so, how?

English

Select one or more of Van Gogh's paintings as inspiration for a story. For example, who are the potato eaters? They don't look happy so what might have happened? What might happen next? Be as creative as you like.

Remember

Write in full sentences using capital letters and full stops. Use fronted adverbials as sentence starters. E.g. A short while later, _____ Behind the door, _____ Use inverted commas when using speech. "What?" Asked Mary. Use adjectives to create expanded noun phrases. The Pots glared at the dry, crispy potato.

PSHE/P4C

Van Gogh sometimes found life difficult, but he used painting to help him feel better. Create a poster of all the positive things that make you feel happy. You could share this with someone in your house and display it somewhere you can see to make you smile.

For example

I feel good when I go for a run.

I feel happy when somebody smiles at me.

Music

Lots of artists enjoy listening to music while painting. What music do you like to listen to and why?

Listen to the following piece of music.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDaJ7rFg66A>

What instruments do you hear?

How does it make you feel?

Listen again and draw the first things that come into your head. Why do you think you drew these?