**UNIT 4 VINCENT VAN GOGH**

**Vocabulary part 2 , p.40**

* **Absinthe** noun [ U ] (also absinth) UK /ˈæb.sæ̃θ/ /ˈæb.sɪnθ/ US /ˈæb.sæ̃θ/ /ˈæb.sɪnθ/

 **a strong alcoholic drink that is green and has a bitter taste**

* **still life** noun [ C or U ] UK /ˌstɪl ˈlaɪf/ US /ˌstɪl ˈlaɪf/ plural still lifes

 **a type of painting or drawing of an arrangement of objects that do not move, such as flowers, fruit, bowls, etc.:**

*We went to an exhibition of 17th century Dutch still lifes.*

* **Solitary** adjective UK /ˈsɒl.ɪ.tər.i/ US /ˈsɑː.lə.ter.i/

 **A solitary person or thing is the only person or thing in a place**

*On the hill, a solitary figure was busy chopping down trees.*

* **Vantage** noun [ U ] UK /ˈvɑːn.tɪdʒ/ US /ˈvæn.t̬ɪdʒ/

1. **a fairly high level of ability in a foreign language according to the Common European Framework (= a description of language ability levels created by the Council of Europe)**

2. **viewpoint**

* **Peasant** noun [ C ] UK /ˈpez.ənt/ US /ˈpez.ənt/

 **a person who owns or rents a small piece of land and grows crops, keeps animals, etc. on it, especially one who has a low income, very little education, and a low social position. This is usually used of someone who lived in the past or of someone in a poor country:**

*Tons of internationally donated food was distributed to the starving peasants.*

* **Depict** verb [ T ] UK /dɪˈpɪkt/ US /dɪˈpɪkt/

 **to represent or show something in a picture or story:**

*Her paintings depict the lives of ordinary people in the last century.*

* **Sustain**

**to keep alive**

*The soil in this part of the world is not rich enough to sustain a large population.*

* **Stark** adjective UK /stɑːk/ US /stɑːrk/

**empty, simple, or obvious, especially without decoration or anything that is not necessary:**

*It was a stark room with a bed and chair as the only furniture.*

* **Legacy** noun [ C ] UK /ˈleɡ.ə.si/ US /ˈleɡ.ə.si/

 1.**money or property that you receive from someone after they die**

*An elderly cousin had left her a small legacy.*

2. **something that is a part of your history or that remains from an earlier time**:

**The Greeks have a rich legacy of literature.**

* **Sincerity** noun [ U ] UK /sɪnˈser.ə.ti/ US /sɪnˈser.ə.t̬i/

 **honesty**

*The priest was a man of deep sincerity.*

* **Compassionate** adjective approving UK /kəmˈpæʃ.ən.ət/ US /kəmˈpæʃ.ən.ət/

 **feeling or showing sympathy and sadness for the suffering or bad luck of others, and wanting to help them**

*The public's response to the crisis appeal was generous and compassionate.*

* **Harvest** noun [ C or U ] UK /ˈhɑː.vɪst/ US /ˈhɑːr.vəst/

 **the time of year when crops are cut and collected from the fields, or the activity of cutting and collecting them, or the crops that are cut and collected:**

*the grain/potato/grape harvest*

* **Spatial** adjective (also spacial) UK /ˈspeɪ.ʃəl/ US /ˈspeɪ.ʃəl/

 **relating to the position, area, and size of things**

*This task is designed to test children's spatial awareness (= their understanding of where things are in relation to other things).*

* **Attain** verb [ T ] formal UK /əˈteɪn/ US /əˈteɪn/

 **to reach or succeed in getting something**

*He has attained the highest grade in his music exams.*

* **Grandeur** noun [ U ] UK /ˈɡræn.dʒər/ US /ˈɡræn.dʒɚ/

 **the quality of being very large and special or beautiful**

*the silent grandeur of the desert*

* **Sprig** noun [ C ] UK /sprɪɡ/ US /sprɪɡ/

 **a single small plant stem with leaves on it**

*Garnish the dish with sprigs of parsley.*

* **Translucent** adjective often approving UK /trænzˈluː.sənt/ US /trænˈsluː.sənt/

 **If an object or a substance is translucent, it is almost transparent, allowing some light through it in an attractive way:**

*translucent plastic/glass*

*This china is so fine and delicate that it's translucent.*

* **Bloom** verb [ I ] UK /bluːm/ US /bluːm/ bloom verb [I] (PRODUCE FLOWERS)

 **When a flower blooms, it opens or is open, and when a plant or tree blooms it produces flowers**

*These flowers will bloom all through the summer.*

* **band** noun (STRIP)

 **a thin, flat piece of cloth, elastic, metal, or other material put around something, or a long, narrow piece of colour, light, etc. that is different from what surrounds it**

*a wrist band ,a red silk band*

* **pay tribute to sb/sth**

 **to praise someone or something**

*The minister paid tribute to the men who had fought the blaze.*

* **Aesthetic** adjective (US also esthetic) UK /esˈθet.ɪk/ US /esˈθet̬.ɪk/

 **relating to the enjoyment or study of beauty**

*The new building has little aesthetic value/appeal.*

* **Artwork** noun [ U ] UK /ˈɑːt.wɜːk/ US /ˈɑːrt.wɝːk/

**the pieces of art, such as drawings and photographs, that are used in books, newspapers, and magazines**

*All the artwork in the book has been done by the author.*

* **Seine** noun [ C ] UK /seɪn/ US /seɪn/

 **a type of large net that hangs in water with weights at the bottom, used for catching fish**

* **Brushstroke** noun [ C usually plural ] UK /ˈbrʌʃ.strəʊk/ US /ˈbrʌʃ.stroʊk/

 **the way in which something, especially paint, is put on to a surface with a brush**

*The artist painted this picture using tiny/vigorous/swirling brushstrokes (= movements of the brush).*

* **Stipple** verb [ T ] ART specialized UK /ˈstɪp.əl/ US /ˈstɪp.əl/

 **to draw or paint something using small spots or marks**

*She tried to create the impression of strong sunlight by stippling the canvas in yellow and white.*