

Who was Vincent Van Gogh?

Wrens Class

Vincent Van Gogh



Key Learning- What will I know by the end of the unit?

The names of famous artists from the past.

Be able to recognise pieces of work by an artist.

Be able to talk about the features of a piece of art by Van Gogh

To draw/ paint in the style of Van Gogh

Art skills

Developing/ Applying Ideas Use a sketchbook to record observations and develop ideas.

Painting

Hold a brush correctly and use different types and sizes of brush.

Mix colours and describe how to make them.

Load a brush with the correct amount of paint and choose the correct brush size depending on the task.

Art in Context/History

Create images in the style of an artist from history.

Describe how her own work is similar and/or different to the work of well known artists and designers.

Discuss and describe well known artists' work and explain how their work is similar/different

Van Gogh Timeline

1853	1864	1869	1876	1879-1880	1885	1887	1888	1890
Vincent Van Gogh was born on the 30th March 1853 in a little village in the Netherlands. He was the second oldest of six children. He was named after his uncle and after his brother who was born on the same day a year earlier, but died before he was born.	At 11, Van Gogh went to boarding school in Zevenbergen. He was unhappy to leave home and he didn't really enjoy studying. He left school when he was 15.	In 1869, Vincent took a job with an art firm in the Netherlands. He later transferred to London, and then to Paris. He was inspired by all the art work that he saw.	Became a religious Education teacher which he really enjoyed. He decided to train to become a priest, but he couldn't keep up with the work as he hadn't studied well in school.	He worked with poor people in Belgium. He gave away all his belongs to them. He realised that painting was his passion and he decided to become an artist.	His first work 'The Potato Eaters' was completed.	Painted a self portrait titled Self Portrait with a straw hat.	Moved to Arles in France and set up a school of art. Vincent Van Gogh suffered with poor mental health. Sadly there wasn't the help there is for people today.	Vincent Van Gogh died at the age of 37

Key Vocabulary

Brushstroke	Mark made by a brush drawn across the surface
Canvas	A piece of cloth stretched over a wooden frame
Impasto	A painting technique where paint (usually oil) is laid down thickly so that brush strokes are clearly visible.
Line	A line is the mark made by a tool or instrument as it is drawn across a surface.
Post impressionism	A French art movement that developed between 1886 and 1905. This type of art often had abstract qualities. Artist used bright colours and symbols to show emotions and feelings in their artwork
Self-portrait	When an artist creates a portrait of themselves
shape	An area that stands out from the space next to or around it because of a defined boundary. Geometric and organic shapes.

Vincent Van Gogh painted over 2000 paintings but only one was sold whilst he was alive.

He spoke Dutch, English and French

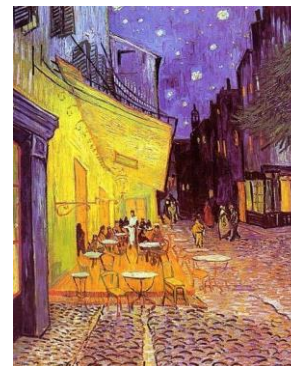
He liked his simple tidy bedroom. He wanted the colour of his paintings to bring his paintings alive.

He enjoyed painting flowers- the sunflower was his favourite to paint.

Useful websites

www.vangoghmuseum

<https://www.tate.org.uk>



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