

KS1 Vocab Year A 2022 2023



Art Vocabulary - Drawing: Making your mark

Words	RAG	Definition
abstract		Art that does not represent images of our everyday world. It
		has colour, lines, and shapes (form), but they are not meant to
-111-		represent objects or living things. A soft white rock used to draw with.
chalk		A soft white rock used to draw with.
charcoal		A material to draw with in the form of sticks. Made out of willow.
circle		A 2D shape with only 1 curved side and no corners.
continuous		To continue without stopping.
cross-hatch		Lines which go across and then up and down.
diagonal		A straight line joining two opposite corners rectangle, or other straight-sided shape.
dots		a small round mark
firmly		with force
form		To make something 3D.
horizontal		A line that goes from left to right.
lightly		Press/apply colour gently.
line		In art, lines can be wavy, straight, zig-zag etc.
mark making		to draw
narrative		It tells a story.
observe		To look carefully.
optical art		Art that creates an optical illusion or plays eyes/brain!
pastel		A chalk or wax based drawing material.
printing		Marks made by pressing or stamping.
shade		A colour (or hue) which has had black added to it.
shadow		Shadows make a 2D drawing look 3D.
straight		A line which is free from bends or waves.



texture	Is how something feels or is made to look like it should feel e.g. rough, smooth, shiny, spiky.
3D shape	Solid shapes like cubes and spheres. The shape can be looked at from all angles.
2D shape	2D shapes like circles and squares. They are completely flat.
vertical	A line which goes from top to bottom.
wavy	Curving in shape.



Art Vocabulary - Craft and design: Woven wonders

Words	RAG	Definition
art		The activity of painting, drawing, and making sculpture.
artist		Someone who draws, paints, does sculpture etc.
craft		An activity involving skill in making things by hand.
knot		A fastening made by looping a piece of or something similar on itself and it.
loom		A device used to make fabric by weaving.
plait		A material made up of three or more strands.
thread		a very thin fibre
threading		To put something long and thin such as string or thread through a narrow hole or into a small space.
warp		The threads on a loom which are then or under by the weft threads.
weaving		The craft of making fabric by interlacing threads.
weft		The threads which are passed over or warp threads.



Art Vocabulary - Sculpture and 3D: Clay houses

Words	RAG	Definition
casting		A hardening liquid is poured into a mould. When it is hard, the
_		mould is peeled off and the sculpture is formed.
ceramic		Made of clay and permanently hardened by heat.
cut		to chop
detail		Interesting patterns/lines/shapes etc added to the design.
flatten		To squash down.
glaze		To cover clay with a smooth, shiny coating.
impressing		Make a mark by pushing down an object into the clay and then
		taking it out.
in relief		Things stuck onto the background so they stand off the picture.
join		To securely add 2 things together.
negative space		The empty space around and between the images.
pinch pot		A pinch pot is a simple form of hand-made pottery.
plaster		A soft mixture of sand and cement which forms a smooth hard
		surface when dried.
roll		To turn the clay over to shape it into a tube.
score		To scratch hatch marks on to the parts of the clay which need to join together.
sculptor		A person who creates 3D models.
sculpture		a 3D model
shape		The building blocks that artists use to create images.
slip		Water and clay mixed together to be used as 'glue' when joining 2
J., P		pieces of clay together.
smooth		a flat surface with no bumps etc
surface		the top part of something
three		The objects look real and solid instead of looking like a normal
dimensional		flat picture.
thumb pot		a small pinch pot



Art Vocabulary - Painting and mixed media: Life in colour

Words	RAG	Definition
collage		A piece of art made by sticking various different materials such as photographs and pieces of paper or fabric on to a backing.
detail		The small elements that add to a piece of art work.
mixing		Putting 2 or more colours together to make a new colour.
overlap		Placing parts partially over and on top of another part.
primary colour		3 colours: red, yellow and blue
secondary colour		3 colours which are made from mixing 2 primary colours. Red + yellow = ORANGE Red + blue = PURPLE Blue + yellow = GREEN
surface		the outer layer of something
texture		the feel or appearance of a surface e.g. soft, fluffy, rough