

Art and Design Vocabulary



Year 1

Formal elements of art

abstract, composition, modern art, op art, optical illusion, photorealism, pop art, primary colours, secondary colours, shape

Art and design skills

2D shapes, 3D shapes, abstract, contemporary, drawing mediums, narrative, printing, shade, tudor-style house

Landscapes using different media

figurative, horizon line, impressionism, landscape, post impressionism, representation, shading, tones

Sculptures and collages

bronze, contemporary, etching, land art, metallic, pattern, sculpture, sketch, symmetrical, textile

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Year 2

Formal elements of art

tessellation, repeating pattern, overprinting, rubbing, frottage, 3D drawing, dada, surrealism, pop art

Art and design skills

air drying clay, ceramics, concentric circles, repeating pattern, score, sketch, slip, tone

Human form

choreograph, collaboration, contemporary, day of the dead, mixed media, sculpture, self-portrait, symbolism

Sculpture and mixed media

blend, cartoon, colour wash, comic, dot matrix, illustrator, pop art, sculpture

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Year 3

Formal elements of art

3D form, facial features, geometric shapes, guidelines, shading, sketching, template, tone

Art and design skills

cartoonist, character, minimal, opaque, puppet, sketching, style, three-dimensional, tint, tone

Prehistoric art

cave artists, charcoal, geometric shapes, iron age, line drawing, native, prehistoric, proportions, stone age, texture, tone

Craft

interior designer, intersectional points, loom card frame, mood board, personality, running-stitch, synthetic materials, textile designer, warp, wax resist, weave, weft

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Year 4

Formal elements of art

2D shapes, abstract, charcoal, pattern, reflection, symmetrical, texture

Art and design skills

lenticular lens, optical illusion, score, sequential order, thematic

Every picture tells a story

abstract, narrative, pop art, preparatory drawing, re-enact

Sculpture

composition, contrast, crotchet, geometric pattern, maracas, optical effect, percussion instruments, pitch, quaver, recycle, sketch, upcycle, wax resist

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Year 5

Formal elements: Architecture

abstract, amphitheatre, ancient, architects, composition, cryptic, legacy, mono-print, ornate, pattern, plaque, representation, shading, sketch, stadium, symbolism, temple

Art and design skills

analytical observational drawing, annotation, collage, computer-aided-design (CAD), continuous line drawing, diagram, exploded-diagram, invention, portrait, prototype, sketch, texture

Every picture tells a story

abstract, anonymous, brexit, emojis, immigration, mural, pictograms, racism, street art, symmetrical

Design for a purpose

client, collaboration, design brief, font, heraldry, logo, pitch, presentation, prototype, sketch, slogan, soundbite, template, urban, unique-selling-point (USP)

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Year 6

Art and design skills

abstract, herringbone, milliner, mindfulness, pattern, polyprint tile, prototype, realism, symbolism, zentangle pattern

Make my voice heard

abstract, chiaroscuro, composition, figurative, graffiti art, parallel lines, serif, symbolism, tag

Photography

composition, crop, digital, expression, lens, macro, photography, self portrait, technique, truism

Still life

abstract, cartoon, charcoal, colour wheel, composition, cuboid, greyscale, hue, negative image, sketching, still life, underpainting, visual minutes