Castlechurch Primary School



A glossary of technical vocabulary in

Art



Some vocabulary reoccurs in more than one year group and all vocabulary should be revisited.

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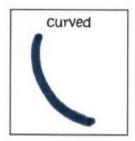
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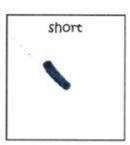
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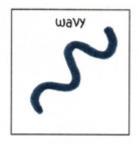


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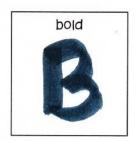


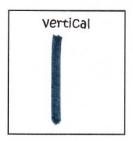










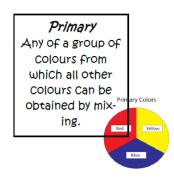


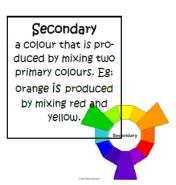




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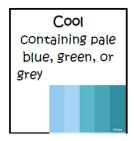
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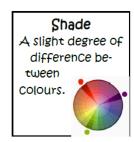












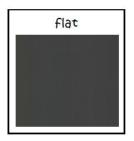
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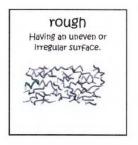


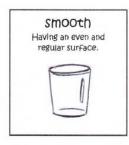






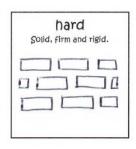
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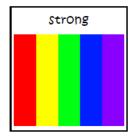


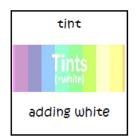
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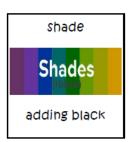
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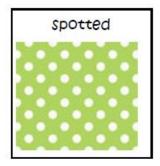


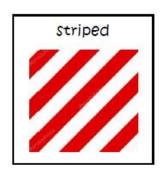
Harsh

A tone which is uncomfortable on the eyes or difficult to view.

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2D shapes
Having only two dimensions, such as width and height but no thickness. Squares, Circles, Triangles, etc are two-dimensional objects.

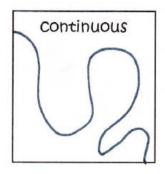
3D shapes A 3D shape has three dimensions. It is any shape or object that takes up air space. Sphere, Cube, Cylinder, Pyramid, Cone. Flat A flat shape is a shape with only 2 dimensions (2D). Curved A curved line can be geometric, like the arc of a perfect circle.

Lower Key Stage 2

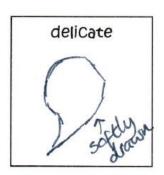
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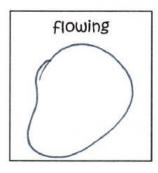
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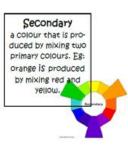


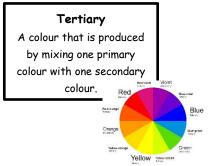


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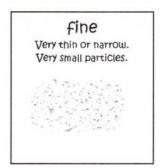




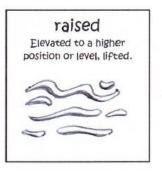


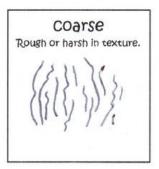


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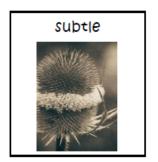


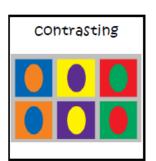




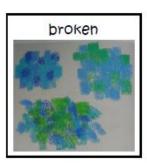
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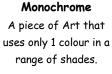
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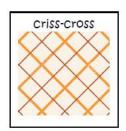






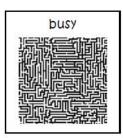
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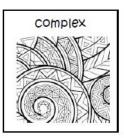
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Coiled To wind into rings or spirals.

Symmetrical

Something is symmetrical when it is the same on both sides. A shape has symmetry if a Central dividing line (a mirror line) Can be drawn on it, to show that both sides of the shape are exactly the same.

Twisted

A Convention of representation in which part of a figure is shown in profile and another part of the same figure is shown frontally.

Rounded

A round shape Consisting of a Curved line that Completely encloses a space and is the same distance from the Centre at every point.

Proportioned

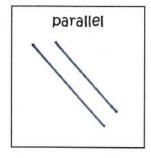
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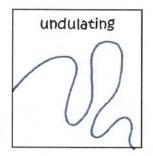
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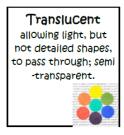






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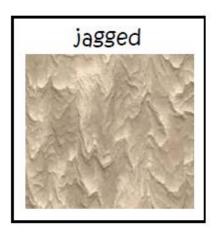


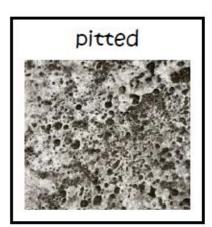


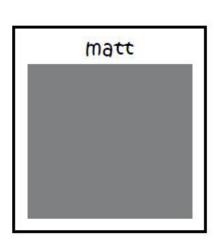
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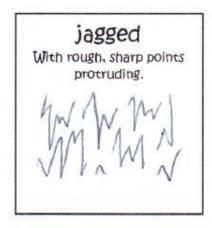
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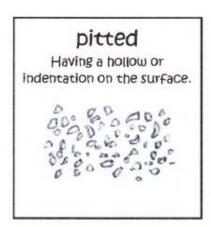


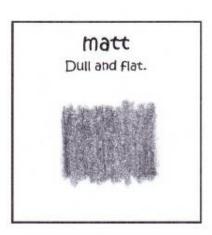




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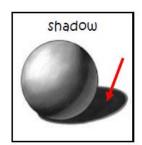


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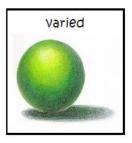
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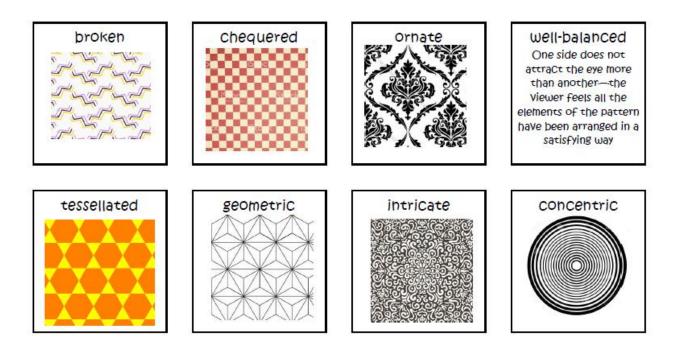






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Angular
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sharp-cornered,
having one or
more angles.

Bulbous Bulb-shaped, bulging. Asymmetrical Not identical on both sides of a Central line; unsymmetrical, lacking symmetry.

Forked Zigzag, as lightning. Geometric
Resembling the
simple rectilinear
or curvilinear
lines or figures.

Irregular

A polygon that does not have all sides equal and all angles equal. (A polygon is "regular" only when all angles are equal and all sides are equal, otherwise it is irregular.)

Tapering
Becoming thinner or narrower
towards one
end.

Sweeping Having a curving line or form. Curvaceous
Having a smoothly
Curving shape, eg;
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tline.

Elongated

"Elongated art" refers to paintings that feature figures that are painted with their forms elongated much more than they are in reaty. Elongation is a form of abstract art that of the depicts the stretched forms of people or objects in hature.