

Subject specific vocabulary for Art



EYFS & KS1 Art Vocabulary

	Materials	Ideas,	Techniques	Range of Artists
		experiences		J
		and		
		imagination		
Nursery	Build, make, materials, stack, up, across, next	Mark making, draw, paint,	Collage – tools, scissors, snip, feel (texture), say, rough, smooth,	
	to, space, create, join,	see, hold, two	bumpy, soft, hard, share, discuss.	
	build, upright, tools, scissors, glue, tape,	fingers and thumb, pencil,	Drawing/Colour – pencil, near point, hold, two fingers and thumb,	
	cardboard, tubes,	line, space,	red, blue, yellow, green, orange,	
	boxes, share, discuss,	object,	pink, purple, black, white, brown,	
	texture - feel, say,	scribble,	share, discuss.	
	rough, smooth, bumpy,	personal	Painting - tools, brush, finger,	
	soft, hard, share, discuss.	experience, share,	cotton buds, sticks, size, big, small, line, space, object, scribble,	
	0130033.	discuss.	share, discuss.	
			Sculpture – build, stack, up,	
			across, next to, space, create,	
			join, balance, upright, share,	
			discuss.	
Reception	Build, make, up,	Show, events,	Collage - texture, create,	
	across, next to, on top	people,	experiment, investigate, put	
	of, underneath,	objects,	together, new effect	
	between, over the top	personal	(change), rough, smooth, bumpy,	
	of, materials, purpose,	experience,	soft, hard, manipulate, squash,	
	product, range of resources, tools,	choose, colour,	squeeze, scrunch, stretch, bend, snap, twist, roll, pull, flatten, paint,	
	scissors, pencils, hold,	purpose, mark	mix, achieve, effect.	
	two fingers and a	making, pencil,	Drawing/Colour – texture, feel,	
	thumb, glue, tape,	dominant	show, rough, smooth, bumpy, soft,	
	cardboard, tubes,	hand,	hard, red, blue, yellow, green,	
	boxes, shape, make, join, safely, explore,	represent own ideas,	orange, pink, purple, black, white, brown, mix, explore, pencil, hold,	
	colour, design, feel,	thoughts,	grip, control, share, discuss.	
	build, share, guided	feelings,	Painting – tools, select, best,	
	discussion.	share, guided	change, lines, straight, curved,	
		discussion.	long, short, texture, rough,	
			smooth, bumpy, soft, hard, tools, brush, finger, cotton bud, stick,	
			natural, share, guided discussion.	
			Sculpture - build, make, up,	
			across, next to, on top of,	
			underneath, between, over the top	
			of, tools, select, shape, join,	
			materials (names). Printing – load, paint, apply,	
			surface, make, repeated, pattern,	
			print, colour, red, blue, yellow,	
			green, orange, pink, purple, black,	
			white, brown, objects, natural,	

			leaves, sponges, corks, hands,	
			feet, share, guided discussion.	
Year 1	Scissors, glue stick, PVA glue, card board, paper, card, tubes, boxes, plastic bottles, newspaper, carrier bags, mediums, paint, pastels, pencils, crayons, chalk, pens, HB pencils, textured paper, different sized paper, different sized paper, different coloured paper, paint brush, sponges, cotton buds, texture stamps, Play Doh, salt dough, natural resources (leaves, stones, pine cones, sticks, flowers etc.) felt, cotton, silk, wool, linen, sequins, beads, buttons, feathers, ribbon, weaving loom, 2D, 3D	Art, where, what, place, gallery, nature, all around, group, create, independent, imagination, observation, memory, design, record, tell stories, express, thoughts, feelings, audience, share, review, reflect, evaluate, investigate, change, experiment, trial and error, up, across, next to, on top of, underneath, between, over the top of, in line with, near to, inside, left, right, explore, shape, real life, representation effect, pleat, cut, fold, strong, weak, 2D, 3D, design, make, range of resources, tools,	leaves, sponges, corks, hands, feet, share, guided discussion. Drawing Observe, imagination, memory, control, investigate, marks, mark making, shapes, objects, observational, remembered, imagined, patterns, line, wavy, thick, thin, zigzag, shape, 2D, flat, pattern, spotted, striped, simple, texture, visual, rough, smooth, bumpy, soft, hard, prickly, furry, flat, shiny, hairy, tone, light, dark, surface, share, review, reflect, evaluate. Painting Experiment, mark, shape, 2D, flat, pattern, spotted, striped, simple, brush, thick, thin, hard, soft, bristles, hairs, paint, colour, bright, cool, warm, shade, mix, primary colours, red, yellow, blue, create, secondary, textures, share, review, reflect, evaluate, create textures, smoothing, washing, stippling, dabbing, sponges, cotton buds, texture stamps, tools, Printing Load, paint, apply, surface, make, repeated, pattern, print, primary & secondary colour names, , textures, hard, soft, materials, cork, domino, pen lid, sponge, flower, feather, fruit/veg, see, spot, recognise, mono print, polystyrene sheet, printing plate, engrave, transfer, intricate, detailed Textiles Fabric, cotton, wool, nylon, silk, denim, thread, felt, cut, shape, thread, decorate, embellish, stick, join, button, bead, feathers,	Artist, create, names of some famous artists, like, dislike, feel, happy, sad, hot, cold, describe, artwork, inspired by, in the style of, colour, technique
Year 2	Paper, newspaper,	,		Artist, artisan,
	magazines, fabric, photocopies, crepe paper, tissue paper,	inspiration, discover, drawing, work	Drawing tools, HB pencil, graded pencils, rubbers, crayons, focus, scale, large, small, proportion,	designers, techniques, create, names of some famous artists,
L	PVA glue, glue sticks,	of art, express,	imagination, memory, observation,	like, dislike, mood,

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	scissors, creative scissors, HB pencil,	tell a story, emotions,	still life, natural, man-made, light tone, dark tone, texture, patterns,	feel, create, copy, style, inspired,
	graded pencils,	detail, colour,	lines, diagonal, bold, vertical,	reproduce, artwork,
	rubbers, crayons,	individual,	horizontal, create, shapes, 2D,	describe, opinion
	pastels, felt tips, chalk,	collaborative,	flat, curved, straight, patterns,	
1	charcoal, chalk, view	share, design,	simple, spotted, striped, visual,	
	finder, poster paint,	review, reflect,	rough, smooth, bumpy, soft, hard,	
	water colour paints,	express,	prickly, furry, flat, shiny, hairy,	
,	powder paint, range of	thoughts,	tone, dark, darker, shade, light,	
	brush sizes, range of	techniques,	lighter, tint, soft, strong, harsh,	
	brush types, sand,	materials,	share, review, reflect, evaluate	
	glitter, black paint,	imagination,	Painting	
	white paint, clay, clay	observation,	Poster paint, water colour paints,	
	board, clay tools, wire	memory,	powder paint, brush, thick, thin,	
	tools, printing ink,	shapes,	hard, soft, bristles, hairs, range of	
	laminated sheets for	arrange,	brush sizes, range of brush types,	
	mono printing, fabrics,	represent,	sand, rubber, sponge, purpose,	
	cotton, felt, thread,	abstract, real	represent, realistic, tint, shade,	
	needle	life, apply,	glitter, black paint, white paint,	
	noodio	example,	explore, add materials, effect,	
		sketch book,	texture, sawdust, glitter, sand,	
		audience	glue, plaster.	
			Collage	
			Cut, tear, crumple, fold, stick,	
			paper, range of materials, fabric,	
			media, paper, newspaper,	
			magazines, fabric, photocopies,	
			crepe paper, thin card, foil, tissue	
			paper, felt, foam, background,	
			texture, colour, objects, shapes,	
			overlap, on top of, underneath,	
			layers, texture, tactile, rough,	
			smooth, bumpy, soft, hard, prickly,	
			furry, flat, shiny, hairy, pattern,	
			spotted, striped, simple, share,	
			review, reflect, evaluate.	
			Sculpture	
			Model, build, design, make,	
			create, join, manipulate, clay,	
			malleable, squash, squeeze,	
			pinch, knead, stretch, bend, twist,	
			roll, pull, flatten, decorate, object,	
			3D, share, review, reflect,	
			evaluate.	

KS2 Art Vocabulary

	Sketchbooks	Range of Artists	Techniques
Year 3	Sketchbook, record, media, explore, exploration, experimentation, try out, plan, collect, sources, identify, interest, like, dislike, effect, express, feelings, notes, techniques, artist, artisan, architect, designers, annotate, refer, inspire, inform	Name of appropriate artist, recognise, techniques, like, dislike, prefer, replicate, copy, notable, artist, artisan, designer, look, discuss, feel, work of artist, inspiration, stimulus, stimuli, share, review, reflect, evaluate.	 Drawing Observation, accurately, imagination, memory, line, size, thickness, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, tone, shadow, share, review, reflect, evaluate, three dimensional (3D), viewpoints, above, below, front, back, angle, birds eye view, surface, drawing tools, graded pencils, rubbers, crayons, pastels, felt tips, chalk, charcoal, surface texture, texture, fine, uneven, raised, coarse, glossy, uneven, rough, harsh, fine, effects, investigate, sketchbook, develop ideas. Painting Primary colours, secondary colours, mix, tones, shade, tint, thick, thin, paint brush, paint, effective, colour, pale, pastel, bold, earthy, vibrant, subtle, contrasting, dramatic, broken, share, review, reflect, evaluate, apply, splashing, scratch, reveal, dotting, blowing, layering, Printing mono print, controlled marks, pattern, motif, ink block, transfer, press, roll, textures, negative space, pressure, layer, colour, patterns, repeated, criss-cross, symmetrical, spaced, busy, intricate, detailed, share, review, reflect, evaluate, printing plate, roller Textiles Fabric, properties, fabric names, natural dye, colour, change, effect, transfer, stain, weave, tight knit, close knit, embellish, decorate, join, stitch, needle, thread, eye, running stitch, secure, buttons, beads, appliquéd shapes etc.
Year 4	Sketchbook, record, media, explore, exploration, experimentation, try out, plan, collect, sources, identify, interest, like, dislike, effect, express, feelings, notes, techniques, artist, artisan, architect, designers, annotate, refer, inspire, inform	Name of appropriate artist, recognise, techniques, like, dislike, prefer, replicate, copy, notable, artist, artisan, designer, look, identify, discuss, feel, work of artist, inspiration, stimulus, stimuli, mediums, techniques, opinion, influenced, share, review, reflect, evaluate.	Drawing Observation, accurately, imagination, memory, range of materials, pen, ink, line, size, thickness, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, share, review, reflect, evaluate, textures, drawing tools, drawing implements, drawing ink, ink well, quill, blotting paper, light, dark, tones, realistic, representation, hatching, cross hatching, 3D, three dimensional, scale, proportion, refine. Painting Acrylic, watercolour, powder paint, poster paint, properties, thick, thin, opaque, transparent, justify, primary, secondary, tertiary, shade, tint, complimentary, harmonious, contrast, warm, cool, emotion, mood, colour wheel, colour theory, texture, intent, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, texture, fine, uneven, raised, coarse, glossy, thick, thin, paint brush, paint, effective, colour, mix, pale, pastel, bold, earthy, vibrant, subtle, tone, subtle, contrasting, dramatic, broken, monochromatic, share, review, reflect, evaluate. Collage Select, arrange, materials, purpose, paper, thin card, foil, tissue paper, crepe paper, felt, foam, overlap, tear, fold, crumple, fray, layer, convey, feelings, expression, movement, texture, tactile,

			fine, uneven, raised, coarse, glossy, mood, emotions, feeling, interest, share, review, reflect, refine, evaluate. Sculpture Plan, design, purpose, intent, fit for purpose, functionality, prepare, join, score, slip, smooth, clay, coil, pinch, malleable, rigid, delicate, air drying, texture, patterns, carve, engrave, adapt, modify, 3D, three dimensional, range of tools, clay tools, boxwood tools, loop tool, brush, sponge, symmetrical, rounded, proportioned, share, review, reflect, evaluate.
Year 5	Sketchbook, record, media, explore, exploration, experimentation, try out, plan, collect, sources, identify, interest, like, dislike, effect, express, feelings, notes, techniques, artist, artisan, architect, designers, annotate, refer, inspire, inform	Name of appropriate artist, recognise, techniques, like, dislike, prefer, replicate, copy, notable, artist, artisan, designer, look, identify, discuss, feel, work of artist, inspiration, stimulus, stimuli, mediums, techniques, opinion, influenced, share, review, reflect, evaluate.	Drawing Appropriate materials, resources, drawing media, surface, canvas, composition, scale, proportion, foreground, middle ground, background, colour mixing, blending, graphite, coloured pencils, pastels, accuracy, expression, form, human figure, human form, artist manikin, observation, accurately, imagination, memory, view finder, select area for drawing, line, size, thickness, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, share, review, reflect, evaluate, textures, drawing tools, drawing implements, charcoal, chalk, graded pencils, pen, crayons, light, dark, tones, realistic, representation, hatching, cross hatching, 3D, three dimensional, scale, proportion, refine Painting Scale, large, small, proportion, brush size, thin, thick, fine, acrylic, watercolour, powder paint, poster paint, justify, primary, secondary, tertiary, shade, tint, complimentary, harmonious, contrast, warm, cool, emotion, mood, colour wheel, colour theory, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, texture, fine, uneven, raised, coarse, glossy, thick, thin, paint brush, paint, effective, colour, mix, pale, pastel, bold, earthy, vibrant, subtle, tone, subtle, contrasting, dramatic, broken, monochromatic, share, review, reflect, evaluate. Printing Draw, sketch, design, plan, inspire, collagraph print, printing ink, printing plate, roller, emphasise, master printing, material, design, make print, colour, complementary, contrasting, pale, bold, earthy, vibrant, subtle, patterns, repeated, criss-cross, symmetrical, spaced, busy, corrugated card, string, tin foil, embossed wallpaper Textiles. Fabric, intent, fabric dye, dip dye, tie dye, Dylon, cold water dye, powder dye, absorb, set, resist paste, flour, water, batik, wax, melted wax, Tjanting tool, melt, embellish, sew, sewing, secure, attach, bead, buttons, fastening, stitch, needle, thread, binca, aider, running stitch, back stich, cross stitch, applique, attach, decorative.
Year 6	Sketchbook, record, media, explore, exploration, experimentation, try out, plan, collect, sources,	Name of appropriate artist, recognise, techniques, like, dislike, prefer, replicate, copy, notable, artist,	Drawing Wet media, dry media, properties, marks, lines, patterns, texture, shapes, refine, adapt, evaluate, reflection, working sketch, final drawing, final piece, draft, shadow, well-lit, observation, accuracy, expression, human form, human figure, artist manikin, accurately, imagination, memory, range of materials, pen, ink, view finder,

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feelings, notes, techniques, artist, artisan,	artisan, designer, look, identify, discuss, feel, work of artist, inspiration, stimulus, stimuli, mediums, techniques, opinion, influenced, share, review, reflect, evaluate.	select area for drawing, line, size, thickness, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, share, review, reflect, evaluate, textures, drawing tools, drawing implements, charcoal, chalk, graded pencils, pen, crayons, pastels, drawing ink, ink well, quill, blotting paper, light, dark, tones, realistic, representation, hatching, cross hatching, 3D, three dimensional, scale, proportion, refine. Painting Acrylic, palate, palette knife, card, sponge, rag, easel, canvas, justify, control, artist influence, purpose, skilfully, limited, informed choice, primary, secondary, tertiary, shade, tint, complimentary, harmonious, contrast, warm, cool, emotion, mood, colour wheel, colour theory, delicate, flowing, continuous, solid, texture, fine, uneven, raised, coarse, glossy, thick, thin, paint brush, paint, effective, colour, mix, pale, pastel, bold, earthy, vibrant, subtle, tone, subtle, contrasting, dramatic, broken, monochromatic, share, review, reflect, evaluate. Collage Create, effective, exciting, choice, textures, combine, visual qualities, tactile qualities, jagged, pitted, matt, abstract, proportion, share, review, reflect, evaluate. Sculpture Materials, create, malleable, rigid, plan, design, shape, model, observation, imagination, armature, papier mache, mod roc, wire, 3D, adaptation, improvement, process, review, reflect, evaluate.