

Art

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Activity 1

How much do you know about art? Find out in the 'true/false' quiz below.

1. Van Gogh's first name was Victor. T/F
2. The statue called the Venus de Milo is in the Louvre in Paris. T/F
3. Pablo Picasso was a French artist. T/F
4. The Uffizi Gallery is in Rome, Italy. T/F
5. Michelangelo was a sculptor as well as a painter. T/F
6. Salvador Dali was a Surrealist painter. T/F
7. Italian painter Leonardo da Vinci died in France. T/F
8. American painter Jackson Pollock was an Abstract artist. T/F

Activity 2

Read the questions and use them to start a conversation with your partner.

1. Have you got any pictures on your walls at home? If so, did you choose them? Do you like them? Why/not?
2. How important is art in your life?
3. Have you ever been to an art gallery? Did you enjoy yourself?
4. Do you think art galleries and museums should be free or should people have to pay to get in? Explain your answer.
5. Do you think children should do painting at school? Why/not?
6. Do you like abstract art or do you prefer to be able to see clearly what a painting or sculpture is of? Why?
7. Who is your favourite artist? What is your favourite painting/sculpture?

Activity 3

*Go to **EnglishClub.com** and click on the 'TP Homework' icon. Use the information you find there to answer the questions below.*

1. Who said 'All Art is quite useless'.
2. Which famous artist was called El Greco for short?
3. Which artist painted portraits of Henry VIII and his contemporaries?
4. The earliest examples of 'art' can be found in which countries?
5. What is the answer to the Quick Quiz?

Activity 4

Should museums and art galleries return works of art to their country of origin?

If you would like to express your opinion on this subject why not go to **EnglishClub.com** and click on the 'TP Discussion' icon to take part in the forum discussion there?

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