

Spelling list: GCSE Art 2

Key words for GCSE Art.

portrait	If a canvas is in portrait , it means the short side is at the top.
landscape	If a canvas is in landscape , it means the long side is at the top.
genre	Genre is the type of art; including style, approach, medium, and subject matter.
symbolic	Symbolic artwork represents something specific in a way that is not literal.
geometric	Geometric art works with lines and shapes.
traditional	If something is traditional , it means it uses long-standing practices.
historical	Historical refers to the past.
contemporary	Contemporary means happening in the present time.
abstract	Abstract art does not attempt to represent physical reality.
still-life	A still-life is a painting of an inanimate object.
cubism	Cubism is a style of art using geometric shapes from many different angles.
surrealism	Surrealism is a style of art that depicts dreamscapes and abnormal scenes or ideas.
impressionism	Impressionism is style which aims to depict the movement and colour of a moment.
expressionism	Expressionism is art made to create an emotional reaction or effect.
organic	Organic shapes are shapes that are irregular and found in nature.
conceptual	Conceptual art places more emphasis on the idea and process than the final piece.
assemblage	Assemblage is art made by placing real-world objects together.

perceptive	Perceptive means to display sensitivity and deep understanding through your work.
cohesive	Cohesive is when the elements of your work appear unified by a theme or idea.