

Zara's Festive Art Challenge

Learning objective: To explore traditional Christmas art techniques, colours, and festive patterns.

Join Zara the Zebra as she gets creative this festive season! Read each question carefully and circle the best answer. Good luck, young artists!

Answer Key: 1. A, 2. True, 3. Symmetry, 4. C, 5. False, 6. Warm, 7. B, 8. True, 9. Relief, 10. D

Word bank: symmetry · texture · palette · complementary · festive · relief · printmaking

1. 1. Zara is making a paper snowflake. What do we call it when both sides of an artwork are exactly the same? A) Symmetry* B) Balance C) Pattern D) Texture (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: In art, red and green are considered complementary colours because they sit opposite each other on the colour wheel. (1 mark)

3. 3. What is the one-word term for a repeated decorative design, such as stars or holly leaves, used on wrapping paper? (1 mark)

4. 4. Which of these materials is most commonly used to create a 3D festive sculpture? A) Graphite B) Watercolour C) Clay* D) Felt tips (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Using only one colour in an artwork creates a multi-coloured palette. (1 mark)

6. 6. When an artist uses gold, orange, and red to paint a cosy Christmas fire, are they using warm or cool colours? (1 mark)

7. 7. Which tool would you use if you wanted to create a textured effect on a Christmas card? A) A ruler B) A sponge* C) A calculator D) A protractor (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: Collage is an art technique where you stick different materials, like fabric or paper, onto a surface. (1 mark)

9. 9. If you carve a design into a potato to make a stamp, what type of printmaking are you using? (Hint: It involves raising the surface) (1 mark)

10. 10. Which of these is a traditional way to add 'sparkle' to Christmas art? A) Using charcoal B) Using ink C) Using water D) Using glitter* (1 mark)

Draw: Zara wants to design a new festive bauble. Draw a bauble that uses a repeating pattern and at least three different colours. Don't forget to add a string at the top!



Extension challenge: If you had a budget of £5.00, list three art supplies you would buy from a shop to create a handmade Christmas card.