

Zara's Christmas Design Studio

Learning objective: To use visual elements including line, shape, colour and pattern to create an original Christmas-themed design.

Zara the zebra loves finding patterns in everything she sees! Use this template to plan your own Christmas decoration or greeting card design. Think about the colours you will use and the textures you want to include before you start your final artwork.

Word bank: symmetry · texture · vibrant · geometric · festive · contrast · shimmer · pattern · composition

1. The Festive Theme: Describe the main subject of your Christmas design (e.g., a patterned star, a winter woodland scene, or a festive bauble). (2 marks)

2. Colour Palette: Which colours will you use to make your design feel festive? Explain why you chose these colours. (2 marks)

3. Pattern and Texture: Describe the patterns or textures you will include. Will you use repeating shapes or lines to make it look interesting? (2 marks)

4. Materials Needed: List the art materials you will need to bring your design to life (e.g., metallic pens, watercolours, textured paper). (2 marks)

5. Evaluation: Why do you think your design will be successful? How does it show the 'spirit' of the season? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Try creating your design twice: once using cool colours (blues, purples, silvers) and once using warm colours (reds, golds, oranges). Which one do you prefer and why?