

## Zara's Art Studio: The World of Vincent van Gogh

Grab your brushes and let's explore the bold colors and swirling patterns of a master artist!

- Vincent van Gogh was born in the Netherlands in 1853 and is famous for using bright, bold colors to show his emotions.
- He often used a technique called 'impasto', where he applied paint so thickly that the brushstrokes stand out from the canvas.
- One of his most iconic paintings, 'The Starry Night', features swirling clouds and a glowing moon, showing his unique view of the night sky.
- Van Gogh was inspired by nature, frequently painting sunflowers, wheat fields, and starry landscapes during his time in France.
- Zara the zebra thinks his use of pattern is brilliant because it makes his paintings look like they are moving right before your eyes!

*Did you know? Did you know? Vincent van Gogh didn't start painting until he was 27 years old! In just ten years, he created over 2,000 artworks, including 860 oil paintings. He loved using thick, textured paint to show how he felt about the world around him.*

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