

# Zara’s Watercolour Wonders: A Year 4 Art Mat

Learning objective: To understand and apply key watercolour techniques, terminology, and colour theory principles.

## Key Vocabulary

Use this vocabulary mat to help you describe your artwork. The terms are grouped into 'Painting Techniques', 'Colour Theory', and 'Artistic Effects' to help you choose the right words for your project.

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| <b>Wash</b> A thin, watery layer of paint spread ac... | <b>Wet-on-wet</b> Applying wet paint onto paper t...    | <b>Wet-on-dry</b> Applying wet paint onto dry pape..     |
| <b>Pigment</b> The natural or synthetic substance ...  | <b>Transparency</b> The ability for light to pass th... | <b>Hue</b> Another word for a specific colour, such...   |
| <b>Primary colours</b> The three base colours (re...   | <b>Secondary colou...</b> Colours created by mixi...    | <b>Dilute</b> To make paint lighter or thinner by add... |
| <b>Blending</b> Gently mixing two or more colours ...  | <b>Gradient</b> A smooth transition from a dark, c...   | <b>Resist</b> Using a wax crayon or masking fluid t...   |
| <b>Opacity</b> How much the paint hides the surfa...   | <b>Texture</b> The way a surface feels or looks, wh...  | <b>Composition</b> The way the artist arranges th...     |
| <b>Explain why addi...</b>                             | <b>Compare and con...</b>                               | <b>Justify your ans...</b> If you were painting a sto... |
| <b>What might happ...</b>                              | <b>How does the use...</b>                              | <b>If a professional a...</b>                            |