

# Autumn Art Explorers with Zara the Zebra

*Learning objective: To identify and apply key artistic techniques and vocabulary inspired by the colours, textures, and patterns of the autumn season.*

Use these flashcards to test your knowledge of autumn-themed art. Zara the Zebra wants you to think about how texture, colour, and pattern change as the seasons turn.

**What are 'warm colours' in the context of an autumn landscape?**

Colours such as red, orange, and yellow that evoke feelings of warmth, sunlight, and the changing leaves.

**Define 'texture' in an art piece.**

The perceived surface quality of a work of art, such as the roughness of tree bark or the crunchiness of fallen leaves.

**What is a 'collage'?**

An artistic composition made by gluing various materials, such as dried leaves, twigs, and paper, onto a flat surface.

**Explain 'symmetry' and how you might find it in nature.**

Symmetry is when one side of an image mirrors the other, a single autumn leaf often shows bilateral symmetry along its central vein.

**What are 'organic shapes'?**

Irregular, flowing shapes found in nature, such as the curves of a pumpkin or the jagged edges of a fallen leaf.

**Define 'tone' in art.**

The lightness or darkness of a colour, used to show depth, volume, and shadows in an autumn forest scene.

**What is 'contrast' in an artwork?**

The arrangement of opposite elements, such as light versus dark or rough versus smooth, to create visual interest.

**Describe 'negative space'.**

The empty space around or between the subjects of an image, such as the clear sky visible between the branches of a bare tree.

**What is 'Impressionism' inspired by autumn light?**

An art style that focuses on capturing the immediate effect of light and movement, often using short, thick brushstrokes to show shimmering autumn leaves.

**Explain the importance of 'pattern' in autumn art.**

Pattern is the repeated use of shapes or lines, which can be seen in the veins of a leaf or the ripples of a pond during an autumn rain shower.