

Zara's Autumn Art Gallery: A Seasonal Study

Learning objective: To observe, describe, and analyse the colours, textures, and patterns found in nature during the autumn season.

Join Zara the zebra on an autumn nature walk! Use this template to record your observations of the season. Look closely at the leaves, trees, and light to help you describe the beauty of autumn. You can use this sheet to plan your own autumn-inspired painting or collage.

Word bank: crimson · golden · rust · crunchy · symmetrical · veins · canopy · gradient · translucent · earthy

1. Colour Palette: Describe the main colours you see in the autumn landscape today. Why do you think these colours are changing? (2 marks)

2. Texture Investigation: Find an autumn leaf. Describe how it feels and looks. Is it brittle, waxy, or soft? Mention any patterns you see. (2 marks)

3. Light and Shadow: How does the sunlight look during autumn compared to summer? Describe the shadows cast by the trees. (2 marks)

4. Artistic Inspiration: If you were to create an autumn artwork, which materials would you use to show the crunchiness of fallen leaves? (2 marks)

5. Pattern Spotting: Zara loves patterns! Can you find a natural pattern in the woods or park? Describe the shape and repetition. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Create a 'colour mixing' chart at the bottom of your page. Try to mix paint or coloured pencils to recreate the specific 'rust' or 'golden' shades you observed during your walk.