

Sculpting Stories: A Guide to 3D Art

Get creative with Zara the Zebra: Shape, carve, and mould your own masterpiece!

- **What is an armature?** It is the strong inner skeleton or frame that helps a sculpture keep its shape while you add clay or other materials.
- **How do we define 'form'?** In art, form refers to the three-dimensional quality of an object, meaning it has height, width, and depth.
- **What is relief sculpture?** This is a type of art where the shapes are carved into or stick out from a flat background, rather than standing alone.
- **What is assemblage?** This technique involves joining together different objects, often recycled items, to create a new, original structure.
- **Why is texture important?** Artists use texture to make a sculpture look rough, smooth, bumpy, or soft, which changes how we feel when we look at it.

Did you know? Did you know? The oldest known sculptures were small carvings made from mammoth ivory over 35,000 years ago! Long before paper was invented, people were using their hands to create 3D shapes of animals and people.

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