

Year 4 Art Assessment: Exploring Abstract Art

Learning objective: To understand abstract art, identify colours and shapes, and create an original abstract design.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank to help you with your answers. Work slowly and do your best!

Zara the zebra loves to paint. She does not always paint things that look real, like trees or houses. Instead, Zara uses bright colours, different shapes, and squiggly lines to show how she feels. This style of art is called Abstract Art. It is all about how the art makes you feel.

Word bank: Abstract · Shape · Colour · Pattern · Emotion · Lines

1. 1. Look at the word bank. What is the name of art that does not look like real objects? (2 marks)

2. 2. Zara uses two things to make her art look exciting. Name one of them from the list above. (2 marks)

3. 3. If you wanted to show you are feeling happy, what colours would you choose? Why? (4 marks)

4. 4. Why do you think some artists choose to paint in an abstract way instead of painting real things? (4 marks)

5. 5. Describe how you would use 'lines' and 'shapes' to show the feeling of 'energy' in a picture. Use these sentence starters: I would use... because... (5 marks)

6. 6. Zara decides to sell her abstract paintings. If one small painting costs £3 and a large one costs £7, how much would they cost altogether? (3 marks)

Draw: In the box below, draw your own piece of abstract art. Use at least three different shapes and three different colours to show a feeling (like calm, excitement, or sadness). (5 marks)



Extension challenge: Explain why you chose those specific colours for your drawing. Total: /25