

Exploring Abstract Art with Zara the Zebra

Learning objective: To learn what abstract art is and use shapes, lines, and colours to create an original pattern.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank to help you. Zara the Zebra loves to find patterns in the world. Today, you are the artist!

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

1. Zara is looking at a painting that does not show a person or a place. It only shows circles and zig-zag lines. What do we call this type of art? (2 marks)

2. Pick two bright colours. Why might an artist choose these colours for their painting? (2 marks)

3. Name one shape you could use to make an abstract pattern. (1 mark)

4. If you wanted your art to feel 'happy', would you use soft, wavy lines or sharp, jagged lines? Tell me why. (2 marks)

Draw: In the box below, draw an abstract picture. Use at least three different shapes and two different types of lines (like straight, wavy, or zig-zag). Make it colourful!



Extension challenge: Zara wants to see how you feel! Choose a feeling, like 'excited' or 'calm'. Can you draw an abstract pattern that represents that feeling?