

Zara's Watercolour Exploration

Learning objective: To experiment with watercolour techniques and describe the effects created.

Follow these steps to explore watercolour painting:

1. Choose your colours and paint in the box below.
2. Try using lots of water to make the colour pale.
3. Try using less water to make the colour dark.
4. Answer the questions about how your painting feels and looks.

Use the word bank if you need help with your spelling.

Word bank: watercolour · pale · dark · bright · smooth · wash · blending · transparent

1. What colours did you choose for your painting? Why did you pick them? (2 marks)

2. Describe what happens to the paint when you add more water to your brush. (2 marks)

3. How does your painting look? Is it bright or pale? Explain your answer. (2 marks)

4. If you were to paint a picture of a rainbow, how would you make the colours blend together? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Try painting a second box. This time, add a tiny drop of a different colour while the paint is still wet to see how the colours mix on the paper.