

Zara's Watercolour Garden

Learning objective: To learn how to use watercolour techniques like colour blending and washes to create an art piece.

Follow the steps below to create your own garden painting. Use your brush and water carefully. Remember to clean your brush between colours!

Draw: Draw a bright, sunny garden scene using watercolour paints. Start by drawing three large, simple flowers at the bottom of the paper. Use a large brush to add a pale blue sky wash at the top. When painting the flowers, let your colours run into each other to create a beautiful blend. Add green stems and leaves using a small brush. Think about Zara the zebra's love of patterns—can you add stripes or dots to your petals?



Label words: wash · blend · pigment · tint · overlap

Steps:

1. Step 1: Use a light pencil to draw three large flower shapes at the bottom of your page. Leave space for leaves.
2. Step 2: Paint a 'wash' of light blue across the top of the page for the sky. What colour did you use?
3. Step 3: Pick two colours for your petals. Paint them and let the colours touch to 'blend' them together. Which colours did you mix?

4. Step 4: Use a thin brush to add green lines for stems. Label one stem using the word bank.