

Zara's Festive Pattern Workshop

Learning objective: To explore and create Christmas-themed patterns and art using shapes and colours.

Look at the patterns around you and help Zara the Zebra decorate her festive art pieces. Use the word bank to help you describe your ideas.

Zara the Zebra loves to see patterns everywhere! At Christmastime, she notices patterns on wrapping paper, shiny baubles, and even the star on top of the tree. A pattern is when you choose colours or shapes and use them over and over again. Can you help Zara make some patterns of her own?

Word bank: sparkle · stripe · triangle · circle · repeat · festive

1. Zara is making a paper chain. She uses a red circle, then a green circle, then a red circle. What shape should come next to keep the pattern? (2 marks)

2. If you were decorating a Christmas tree, which colours would you choose to make it look bright and festive? (2 marks)

3. Look at a pine tree. What shape are the leaves at the very top? (1 mark)

4. If a shiny star costs £1 and a ribbon costs £1, how much money would you need to buy both for your art project? (2 marks)

5. Why do we use shiny glitter on our Christmas art? How does it make you feel? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a Christmas bauble in the space below. Decorate it using a pattern of triangles and circles, just like Zara would!



Extension challenge: Go on a pattern hunt in your classroom or home. Can you find three different patterns? Draw them on the back of this sheet and show them to a friend.