

Zara's Landscape Adventure

Learning objective: To identify foreground, middle ground, and background to create depth in a landscape painting.

Zara the zebra is painting a beautiful view. Use the word bank to help you answer the questions. Look at the picture in your mind and follow the steps below.

Word bank: Foreground · Middle ground · Background · Horizon · Depth

1. Zara is painting a large tree very close to her. Which part of the landscape is this tree in? (1 mark)

2. The mountains are very far away at the top of the painting. What do we call this part? (1 mark)

3. What is the name of the line where the sky meets the land or the sea? (1 mark)

4. If you want to make an object look far away, should you paint it bigger or smaller? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a simple landscape. Include a big flower in the foreground, a house in the middle ground, and tall hills in the background. Remember to draw a horizon line!



Extension challenge: Think of a color you could use for the sky. If the sky is near the horizon, should it be a lighter or darker shade of blue?