Masters of the Canvas: Famous Artists Flashcards

Learning objective: I can identify key art movements and recognise the works of influential historical artists.

About 15 minutes. Grown-up tip: Read the front of the card aloud and encourage your child to explain the concept in their own words before checking the answer.

Use these cards to test your knowledge of art history. Read the term or description on the front, then flip to check if your answer matches the definition provided.

What is a 'Portrait'?	A painting, drawing, or photograph of a person, usually focusing on their face and expression.
Which artist is famous for painting water lilies at Giverny?	Claude Monet.
Define 'Impressionism'.	An art style that uses small, thin brush strokes and captures the changing qualities of light.
Who painted 'Sunflowers' and used thick, bold swirls of paint?	Vincent van Gogh.
What is a 'Landscape' painting?	A piece of art that shows natural scenery such as mountains, valleys, trees, and rivers.
Which artist is known for the 'Surrealist' style and melting clocks?	Salvador Dalí.
What is 'Abstract' art?	Art that does not try to look like a realistic object, but instead uses shapes, colours, and textures.
Who was the English artist famous for painting Suffolk landscapes like 'The Hay Wain'?	John Constable.
What is a 'Self-Portrait'?	A painting or drawing that an artist creates of themselves.
Which artist is famous for his colourful geometric patterns and primary colours?	Piet Mondrian.