Mastering the View: A Guide to Perspective in Art

Learning objective: I can use one-point and two-point perspective to create the illusion of depth on a flat surface.

About 15 minutes. Grown-up tip: Encourage your child to look out of a window and identify the horizon line to help them visualise these concepts in the real world.

Key Vocabulary

Use this vocabulary mat to help you construct realistic 3D scenes. Look at the categories below to understand how artists manipulate space.

Example: If you want to draw a road that disappears into the distance, draw a 'vanishing point' on your horizon line. All lines representing the edges of the road should point toward this dot. This creates the illusion of depth.

Define 'vanishing…	**Why do objects in…**	**If you are drawing…**
Look at a street s…	**Explain how 'co…**	