

Primary 5-7 Lesson



Be informed.



Be curious.

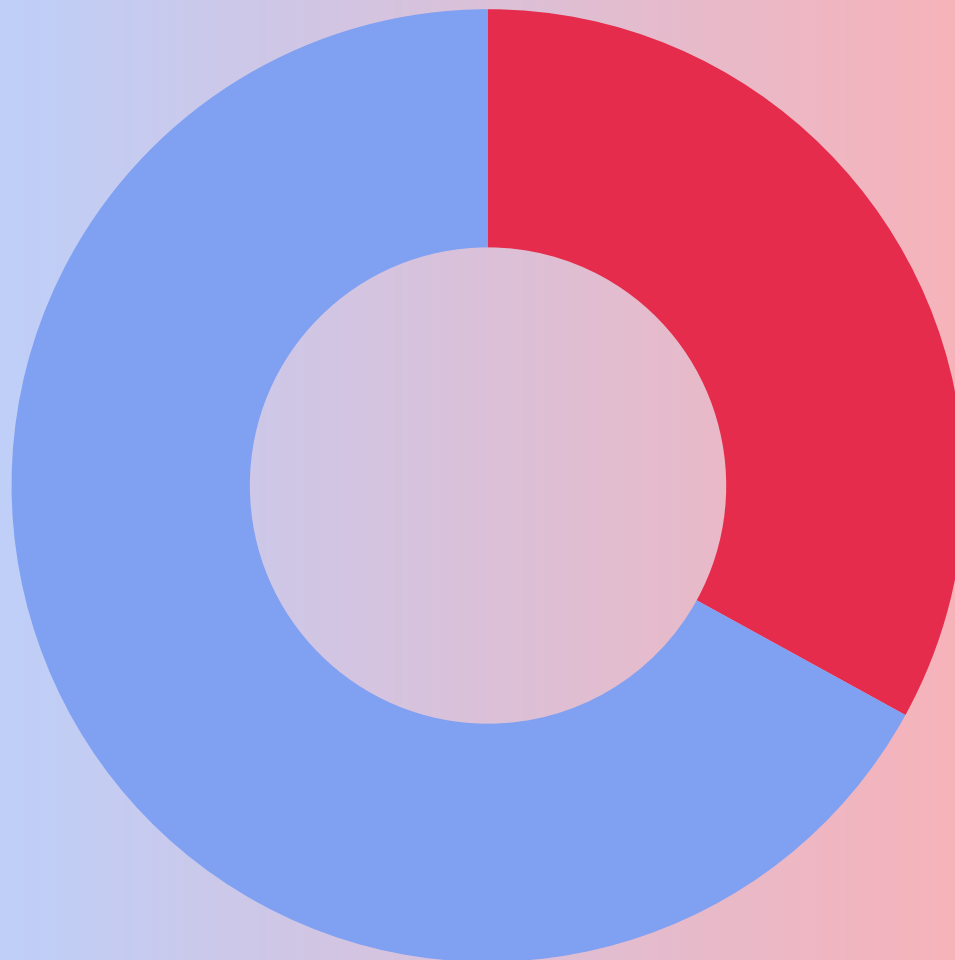


Be heard.

Your latest results: “Is winter the best time to think about what is important to you?”

Yes

67%



No

33%

30,388 children & young people voted this week! Were you one of them?

Your views on “Is winter the best time to reflect on what is important to you?” were also heard by:



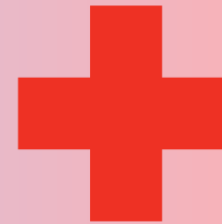
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The Faith & Belief Forum



All Faiths Network



British Red Cross



RE Today



Be informed.



Be curious.



Be heard.

Want to share your views with us? Share your votes and comments by logging into your VotesforSchools account. You can also get in touch at primary@votesforschools.com

Today's VoteTopic:

Could a year of art improve your life?

UNCRC Article 31:
Rest, play, culture,
arts

UN SDG 10:
Reduced
inequalities

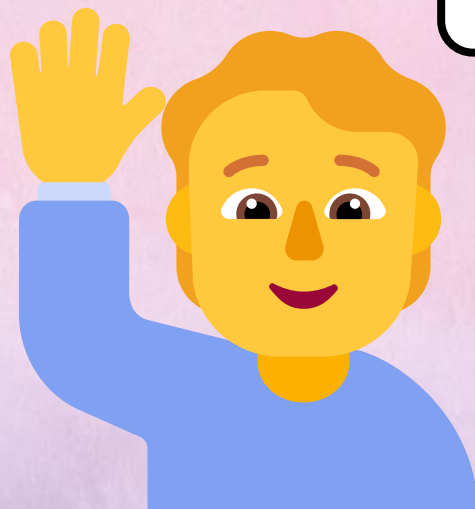
VfS Key Theme 9:
Culture, media
& the arts

1 That's not art!



Class activity (2-3 mins)

You're going to see some **activities** on the next few slides. You need to **decide** whether each activity is **art** or **not art**. **Raise your hand** if you think the activity is art. **Cross your arms** if you think the activity is **not** art.



This is art!

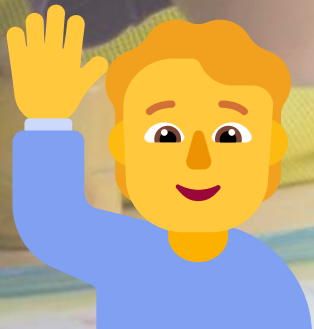
This is not art!





Painting

This is art!



This is not art!

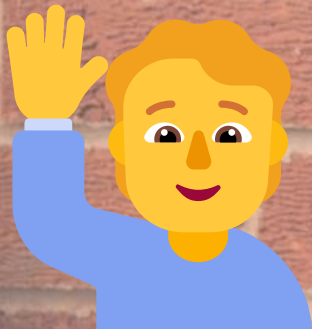


Art or not art?

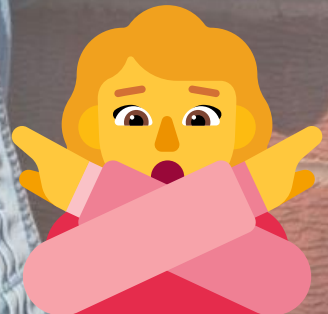


Taking photos

This is art!



This is not art!



Art or not art?



Dance

This is art!

This is not art!

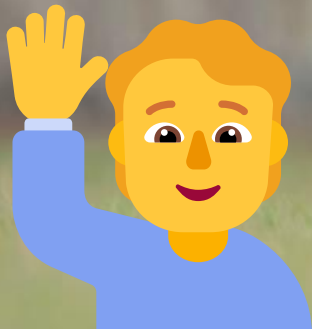


Art or not art?



Music

This is art!



This is not art!

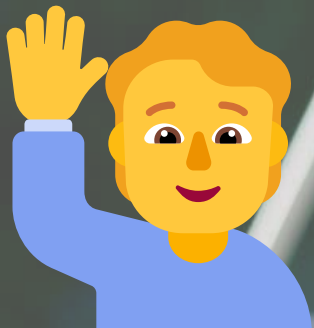


Art or not art?



Creating films

This is art!



This is not art!

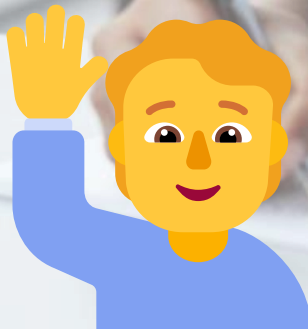


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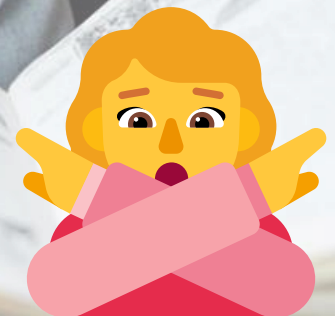


Writing stories or poems

This is art!



This is not art!



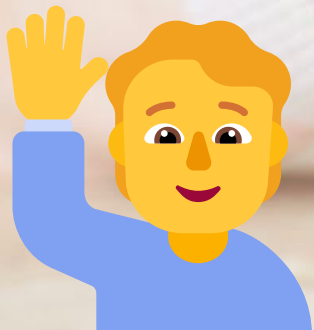
Art or not art?



Making models

This is art!

This is not art!



Did you know?

Artist

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Art or not art?

1 That's not art!



All of these **activities** can be **art**, and there are **other kinds of art** too!

Art is all about **being creative** and using your **imagination**.

These **skills** are also important in other lessons, including **Maths**, **Science** or **Computing**!

2 Why are we talking about this?



Every four years, a **different city** in the UK is chosen to be the **UK City of Culture** for **one whole year**.



Across the curriculum – Phonics
Which **trigraph** can you see in the word **culture**?

culture

2 Why are we talking about this?



This year, **Bradford** is the **UK City of Culture**.

Bradford is in **West Yorkshire, England**.

Challenge (3-4 mins)

Click on the **map pin** to watch a **video** about **Bradford**.



2 Why are we talking about this?



For **one whole year**, Bradford will have lots of **special events**.

Many of these events will involve **different kinds of art**.



The **Government** chooses a City of Culture because **many people** think that **art** is **very important for people**.

They think that **a year of art events** can **improve people's lives**.



Improve:
To make
something **better**.

2 Why are we talking about this?



Improve:
To make something **better**.

This week, you will be thinking about **whether art helps you**.
Your VoteTopic question is: **“Could a year of art improve your life?”**

3 Art for art's sake?



Class activity (3-4 mins)
You will now hear some **statements** about **art**.
Shout true or **false** once you have heard each **statement**.

True

False

3 Art for art's sake?



Art makes
This is false. Experts have found that art helps you to feel calmer. It can help your heart work better. It can help you when you feel unhappy.

True

False



Making art
This is true. Using scissors,
is good for your clay and paintbrushes helps
your hand muscles to grow.
Some kinds of art use the
muscles. whole body (like dance).

True

False

3 Art for art's sake?



Art makes
This is false. Art makes
you feel more confident. Art helps
you to try new things and explore
different ways of making your
artwork look the way you
taking risks.

True

False



Art is
something that
you can do on
your own.
You can also talk with other
people about your art too.

True

False

3 Art for art's sake?



Art helps you
This is true. You can make
art that is about you and your
feelings, and you can also make
art that shows your ideas about
the world around you.
ideas.

True

False

3 Art for art's sake?



Art helps you
This is true. Activities which
use ~~to use our~~ **five senses** are good for
us! Art helps us to use our
~~sight, smell, touch and~~ **five senses**. sound.

True

False

4 Dancing in the streets



Class activity (3-4 mins)

Let's take a look at some of the **events** taking place in **Bradford** throughout **2025**. If **you** would **enjoy** it, do a **dance**. If you think it is **not** something **you** would **enjoy**, **freeze** in a **cool pose**.



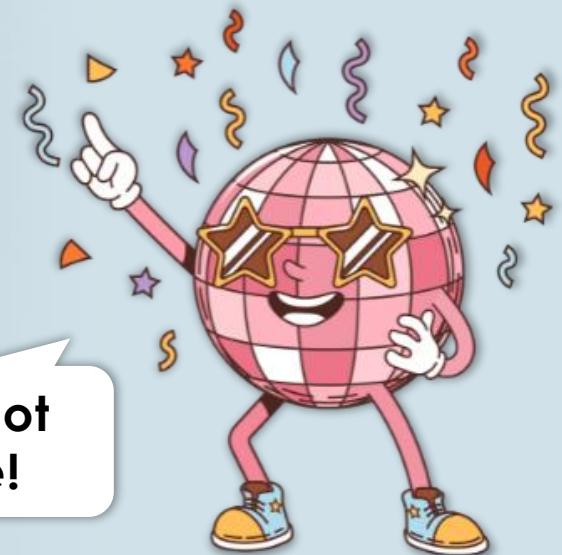


Explore Bradford using walking trails chosen by people from Bradford.



I'd love this!

This is not for me!





Watch Wallace and Gromit with the music played by the City of Bradford Brass Band.



I'd love this!



This is not for me!



Join in with the Great Adventure Build. Make the playground of your dreams and then play on it!



I'd love this!



This is not for me!



Buy special biscuits which show stories about the people of Bradford.



I'd love this!




This is not for me!




Take a ride on a steam train and watch The Railway Children at a real train station.






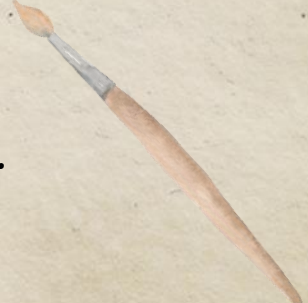
Everyone
enjoys **different**
types of art.



Everyone **feels**
differently about
doing art.



Some people are **not sure** whether
there is **any art** that they **enjoy yet**.



Pair activity (3-5 mins)

Now you are going to think about **you** and the way you **feel** about art. **Talk to your partner** about the **questions** on the screen, using the **pictures** and **ideas** to help.



What kind of **art** do **you** **enjoy**? Is there any that you would **like to try**?

Talk to your partner!



Music



Dance



Taking photos



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How do you think a **year of art** would help **you**?

Talk to your partner!



Improve mood



Show who I am

Bring calmness



Less screen time



Make friends



Share ideas



Build confidence



Could a **year of art**
improve **your** life?
Explain your answer!

Talk to your
partner!

Yes,
because...

Maybe,
because...

No,
because...

6 Take a look around



Move to the **front** and **left** corner!

This would help me get in the **habit of being**

It would make me **feel calm, creative** and

Move to the **front** and **right** corner!

Individual activity (2-3 mins)

You are going to see **four different opinions** about today's VoteTopic question: "**Could a year of art improve your life?**" **Decide which one** you **agree** with the most and then **move to that corner of the room** to share your answer.

Move to the **back** and **left** corner!

this every year, not just for one year.

I would rather have a year of **science**.

Move to the **back** and **right** corner!

Now's your chance to vote on: "Could a year of art improve your life?"

Yes

A year of art would help me to learn how to make art a part of my life all the time.

Yes

I think a year of art would help me to feel calm, creative and imaginative. This would help me to grow as a person.

Art is important all the time. It should be something that we do every year, not just for one year!

No

I would rather have a year of science or maybe something else. Art is not something I enjoy.

No

We will be sharing your thoughts on this topic with Bradford City of Culture, DCMS, Arts Council England, Locality and /together.

Log in to your VotesforSchools account to submit your vote and leave a comment.