Framed

Recommended year group: Year 5

Theme focus: Art

Suggested term: Autumn



Theme introduction

Framed is a theme that is focused on learning about different artistic styles that existed in now and in the past. Although Framed is an art-based theme, PSHE and history also feature. In Framed, pupils focus on three key artists: Banksy, Gaudi and Gormley. They look at how each one has been inspired to create their artwork. They do detailed sketches of Gaudi's famous buildings in Barcelona and look at the mosaics around Parc Guell. Pupils discuss if they think graffiti is art or not and create their own piece of artwork to represent an issue that is close to them. They finish the theme by focusing on the human form and the human sculptures created by Gormley and create a sculpture themselves. The theme finishes with a piece of inspiration writing that brings all of their artwork together.

	Linked Reading Texts	Writing Outcomes	
Driving Question Is graffiti art or vandalism?	Framed by Frank Cottrell Boyce	Balanced arguments Is graffiti art or vandalism? Discussion text and class debate	
Switch on Science Unit Growing up and growing old		Mystery story A valuable piece of artwork is stolen, based on <i>Framed</i> by Frank Cottrell-Boyce	
	Curriculum Coverage	Curriculum Coverage	
Switch on Computing Unit We are game developers	Art – Evaluate and appreciating, other techniqPSHE – Living in the wider worldHistory – Significant individuals		

Excite

Let the pupils have a 'graffiti' experience. Set up a graffiti wall (you could use large bits of paper on walls or tables) and allow pupils to draw their tags on the paper.

Ask the class: Would we want to keep this up permanently? Why or why not?

Explore

There are fourteen explore sessions:

Explore 1: Inspiration Explore 2: Street art Explore 3: Is graffiti art? Explore 4: Tags Explore 5: Banksy Explore 6: Banksy-inspired artwork Explore 7: Art Nouveau movement Explore 8: Antoni Gaudi Explore 9: La Sagrada Familia Explore 10: El Drac Explore 11: Sculptures around the world Explore 12: Sir Antony Gormley Explore 13: Human sculptures Explore 14: Inspirational writing

Theme essential vocabulary:

architecture, art, Art Nouveau, artist, building, design, graffiti, inspired, mosaic, mural, nature, pose, reflection, sculpture, statue, stencil, vandalism

Essential knowledge/concepts

- 1. Art can inspire us in different ways because we are all different.
- 2. A mural is a type of picture painted on a wall.
- 3. Graffiti is artwork that has been painted on the spur of the moment, and it is often unplanned. Graffiti is normally painted in public areas.
- 4. Banksy is an anonymous street artist who paints images of what is happening in the world.
- 5. Banksy has been influenced by a French graffiti artist called Blek le Rat.
- 6. Art Nouveau started in around 1890, and artists include Gustav Klimt, Louis Tiffany, Alphonse Mucha, Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Rene Lalique.
- 7. Antoni Gaudi was a Spanish architect who got his inspiration from nature.
- 8. La Sagrada Basilica started to be built by Gaudi and will be finished in 2026.
- 9. Gaudi's most famous contribution to the world of art was trencadis mosaic.
- 10. Antony Gormley gets his inspiration from the human form.
- 11. A sculpture is something that is made in 3D.
- 12. A statue is sculpture that has been created in the human or animal form.

Excel

The key assessment outcomes of this unit are:

Explore 4 Tags: Designing tags

Explore 6 Banksy-inspired artwork: Creating Banksy-inspired artwork

Explore 9 La Sagrada Familia: Drawing pencil sketches of La Sagrada Familia

Explore 13 Human sculptures: Creating human form sculptures

Flipped learning opportunities

Interview community members for their opinions on graffiti. Display a range of images of graffiti on the class site. Canvas opinion: Is this art or vandalism? This will feed in to Explore 3 'Is graffiti art?'

Exhibit

Curate an art gallery for parents to visit. Include information about the artists who inspired us.

Possible wider experiences:

Pupils could visit art galleries by different artist, for example your local art gallery, the Tate, The Ashmolean Museum, etc.

Family learning suggestion

Throughout the theme, look at art from different movements. Develop a theme project that investigates the movement and includes your own examples of art in that style.

Cultural awareness

Key piece of music

Rhapsody in Blue Rhapsody by George Gershwin

Rapper's Delight by The Sugar Hill

Key piece of art

Marilyn Monroe – by Andy Warhol

Key poem

The Daffodils by William Wordsworth