

Art And Vandalism.

Useful Words And Expressions:

Artist, painter, sculptor, director

A portrait – портрет; **A self-portrait** – авто-портрет

A landscape – пейзаж

A still-life picture – натюрморт

A sketch, a collage [ˈkɒlɑːʒ]

A sitter/model – модель, натурщик

A brush stroke – мазок кистью

Modern/contemporary art – современное искусство

In the foreground/background – на переднем плане/на заднем плане

Bust – бюст

A palette

Dimension – объём, размерность

Impressionism

Abstract painting/art – абстрактные картины

expressionism

Canvas – полотно, холст

Acrylic/watercolor paints – акриловые/акварельные краски

Frame – рама

An art-dealer – торговец предметами искусства

Auctions – аукционы

A theater-goer – человек, который любит ходить и часто ходит в театр

photography

wood carving – резьба по дереву

to doodle – машинально чертить или рисовать (часто закорючки)

Questions:

- ⌚ What is art?
 - ⌚ What is the purpose of art?
- What is the difference between "modern art" and more conventional art? Do you think today's artists are as good as those from hundreds of years ago?
- ⌚ Do you appreciate a piece of modern art more if you have had it "explained" to you? Should art need to be "explained"?
 - ⌚ We often consider art in terms of painting. What other things come under the term "art"? Do you think of cartoons and comics as art?
 - ⌚ Consider the following: computer programming, accountancy, ironing clothes. Could any of these be examples of "art"?
 - ⌚ What could, under no circumstances, be art?
 - ⌚ It is sometimes claimed that art must send some form of message to the viewer. What is your opinion? Should the message always be "beautiful"?
 - ⌚ What are the implications of "Art for art's sake"?
 - ⌚ Have you visited any art galleries or museums recently?
 - ⌚ At the moment, are there any special exhibitions on in your town or country? Are you going to visit them?
 - ⌚ In general, are art galleries in your country free or do you have to pay to visit them? Which do you think is best and why: a charge to cover costs? Free entry? A voluntary contribution?
 - ⌚ Some cities organise one night each year - typically sometime in summer - during which some museums stay open until very late at night. Have you ever been to a museum late at night? Was it an interesting experience?
 - ⌚ Do you own any interesting pieces of art or would you like to? What sort of art would you buy/collect?
 - ⌚ Are you in any way artistic?
 - ⌚ Have you ever tried to buy something at an auction? What was the process?
 - ⌚ Many people's tastes in art can be summed up by the comment "I don't know much about art, but I know what I like." What do you feel about that comment?
 - ⌚ Is it possible to appreciate art without liking it? Can you think of any examples?
 - ⌚ Can you separate an artist from his/her work?
 - ⌚ Professor Gunther von Hagens takes real human bodies, subjects them to a plastifying process, removes some of their outer flesh and then poses them realistically as art exhibitions. What is your opinion of this art?
 - ⌚ What would life be like without art?
- Do you think all children should study art at school? Do you think children should learn the history of art?
- Do you think a painting can really be worth a million (or more) dollars?
- What kind of art is your country famous for?*