

How do you describe art?  
Try the MMM method...

**M**aterials

**M**arkmaking

**M**ood

Write your favourite words  
to describe art here.



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# Materials

What materials is the artwork made from? What tools might have been used to create it?

watercolour	plaster
oil paint	wood
acrylic paint	marble
charcoal	bronze
pencil	palette
pen	palette knife
gold leaf	brush
canvas	chisel
paper	hammer
terracotta	needle
clay	textiles

# Markmaking

What textures can you see? How has the artist created textures and made marks?

splattered	soft
sketchy	strong
smooth	smudged
textured	sharp
scratchy	energetic
shiny	expressive
patterned	graffiti
swirling	drips
dotty	splashes
plotchy	lumpy
flowing	polished
blended	blurred

# Mood

What is the mood or atmosphere? How does it make you feel?

happy	scary	peaceful
sad	angry	sinister
gloomy	playful	dramatic
calm	violent	romantic

Sometimes artists use colour to suggest a mood.

bright	cool	glowing
natural	cold	vibrant
clashing	warm	dull
vivid	hot	rich