



ESP– ADVANCEDESP (English speaking Practice) - ADVANCE-ART

ART

Discussion

Basic questions

1 What is your favorite form of art?

**My favorite form of art is...*

2 What is the purpose of art?

**The purpose of art is...*

3 Do you consider yourself to be artistic?

**Yes, I do. / No, I don't.*

4 Who is your favorite artist?

**My favorite artist is...*

5 Do you think that art is important to society?

**Yes, I think... / No, I don't think...*

6 Have you visited any art galleries or museums recently?

**Yes, I have visited... / No, I haven't...*

7 What sort of art would you buy/collect?

**I would like to buy/collect...*

Extended questions

1 Do you think all children should study art at school?

**Yes, I think... / No, I don't think..*

2 Is it possible to appreciate art without liking it?

**Yes... / No....*

3 Should art galleries allow for free entry or should people pay to visit them?

**Yes, they should allow... / No, they shouldn't...*

4 It is sometimes claimed that art must send some form of message to the viewer. What is your opinion?

**Yes, sometimes... I think...*

Vocabulary

1 Abstract (/ 'æbstrækt/)

(adjective)not representing people or things in a realistic way, but expressing the artist's ideas about them.

Ex. Mark Rothko likes making abstract paintings.

2 Aesthetic (/es 'θetɪk/)

(adjective)concerned with beauty and art and the understanding of beautiful things.

Ex. The works of art are judged on purely aesthetic grounds.

3 Concept (/ 'kɔ:nsept/)

(noun)An idea or a principle that is connected with something abstract

Ex. I like the concept of impressionism.

4 Figurative (/ 'fɪgərətɪv/)

(adjective)Showing animals, people and objects as they really look

Ex. He's a figurative artist.

5 Delicate (/ 'delɪkət/)

(adjective)(of colors) light and pleasant

Ex. A river scene painted in delicate watercolors.

6 Vibrant (/ˈvaɪbrənt/)

(adjective)(of colors) very bright and strong.

Ex. The room was decorated in vibrant reds and yellows.

7 Bold (/boʊld/)

(adjective)(of shapes, colors, lines,..) that can be easily seen, having a strong clear appearance.

Ex. She paints with bold strokes of the brush.

8 Expressionism (/ɪkˈspresjənɪzəm/)

(noun)A style and movement in early 20th century art, theatre, cinema and music that tries to express people's feelings and emotions rather than showing events or objects in a realistic way.

Ex. The paintings of El Greco and Grünewald exemplify expressionism.

9 Arty-farty (/ˌɑːrti ˈfɑːrti/)

(adjective)Connected with, or having an interest in the arts

Ex. I expect he's out with his arty-farty friends.

Useful expressions

1 Fine art – forms of art, especially painting, drawing and sculpture, that are created to be beautiful rather than useful

2 The performing arts – arts such as music, dance and drama which are performed for an audience