

# THEME: ART

# VOCABULARY

## WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. EXQUISITE** – extremely beautiful and pleasing  
**Synonym** – elegant; graceful  
**Antonym-** crude
- 2. GARISH** – crudely or tastelessly colourful  
**Synonym** – gaudy; lurid  
**Antonym-** drab; tasteful
- 3. KITSCH** – showy art or cheap  
**Synonym** – tasteless; vulgar  
**Antonym-** understated; conservative
- 4. MONOCHROME**– using only one colour  
**Synonym** – greyscale; chromatic  
**Antonym-** multicoloured; polychromatic
- 5. MURAL** – a large picture painted on a wall  
**Synonym** – frieze; fresco  
**Antonym-** N.A
- 6. PATRON** – a person who supports artists  
**Synonym** – sponsor; backer  
**Antonym-** critic; defamer
- 7. PHILISTINE** – a person who does not value art  
**Synonym** – lowbrow; materialist  
**Antonym-** highbrow; patron
- 8. REPRESENTATIONAL** – art that depicts physical appearance of things  
**Synonym** – emblematic  
**Antonym-** N.A
- 9. TEMPERA** – bright, fast-drying type of paint  
**Synonym** – poster paint; gouache  
**Antonym-** N.A
- 10. VIVID** – strong and very bright  
**Synonym** – evocative; vibrant  
**Antonym-** dull, washed-out

# EXERCISES

## EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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|---------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| 1. TEMPERA          | a) gouache    | b) summit    | c) cornerstone | d) wall    |
| 2. REPRESENTATIONAL | a) emblematic | b) vibrant   | c) self        | d) baroque |
| 3. MONOCHROME       | a) colourful  | b) chromatic | c) vibrant     | d) sepia   |
| 4. MURAL            | a) sketch     | b) mosaic    | c) fresco      | d) porch   |
| 5. EXQUISITE        | a) crude      | b) elegant   | c) defamer     | d) podium  |

## EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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|---------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
| 1. KITSCH     | a) chromatic | b) fresco   | c) understated | d) shack   |
| 2. PATRON     | a) fan       | b) famous   | c) defamer     | d) vibrant |
| 3. VIVID      | a) dull      | b) black    | c) colourful   | d) golden  |
| 4. PHILISTINE | a) high-brow | b) lowbrow  | c) master      | d) artist  |
| 5. GARISH     | a) vibrant   | b) tasteful | c) loud        | d) jovial  |

## EXERCISE 3

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE APPROPRIATE WORDS FROM THE VOCABULARY LIST

- David was admiring the \_\_\_\_\_ workmanship in the \_\_\_\_\_ painted on the school wall.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ choice of furniture and hundreds of \_\_\_\_\_ lawn ornaments made her front yard look tacky.
- Laurel usually painted using bright and \_\_\_\_\_ colours, but this time she painted a \_\_\_\_\_ self-portrait.
- The emperor was a great \_\_\_\_\_ of the arts, but his \_\_\_\_\_ brother sold valuable art at cheap rates.
- The artists used \_\_\_\_\_ paint on the ceiling, and painted an array of modern \_\_\_\_\_ art.