

THEME: ART

VOCABULARY

WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. BEAUX-ARTS** – fine arts
Synonym – pure art; visual arts
Antonym- N.A
- 2. CAMEO** – A small bas-relief carving in an object
Synonym – medallion
Antonym- debossed
- 3. CERAMIC** – made of clay that has been baked
Synonym – pottery; terracotta
Antonym- metallic
- 4. CHIAROSCURO**– a technique to represent light in arts
Synonym – cloudy; shadowy
Antonym- N.A
- 5. FOREGROUND** – the visual plane that appears closest
Synonym – front; fore
Antonym- background
- 6. ICON** – a religious painting
Synonym – idol; portrait
Antonym- abstract
- 7. MOSAIC** – art created using coloured squares
Synonym – patchwork; montage
Antonym- homogeneous
- 8. PATINA** – a thin layer that forms on a surface
Synonym – sheen; lustre
Antonym- dullness
- 9. PASTICHE** – art that consists of various styles
Synonym – imitation; parody
Antonym- arrangement
- 10. REPOUSSOIR** – the act of pushing back
Synonym – pusher
Antonym- N.A

EXERCISES

EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| 1. BEAUX-ARTS | a) gouache | b) summit | c) fine arts | d) wall |
| 2. REPOUSSOIR | a) bringer | b) forefront | c) pusher | d) parody |
| 3. CHIAROSCURO | a) cloudy | b) bright | c) vibrant | d) light |
| 4. PATINA | a) sheen | b) fore | c) cloudy | d) silky |
| 5. ICON | a) abstract | b) idol | c) metallic | d) montage |

EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. FOREGROUND | a) forefront | b) front | c) background | d) centre |
| 2. PASTICHE | a) arrangement | b) fiasco | c) imitation | d) vibrant |
| 3. MOSAIC | a) homogeneous | b) colourful | c) patchwork | d) statue |
| 4. CERAMIC | a) sand | b) metallic | c) clay | d) cement |
| 5. CAMEO | a) vibrant | b) debossed | c) loud | d) jovial |

EXERCISE 3

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

1. He graduated from a _____ college, and gained a mastery in _____ balancing light and dark.
2. His parents cherish a _____ pitcher, which featured a gold _____ pattern with yellow, blue and green tiles.
3. Her home was decorated in a _____ of styles, in one of the carpets the tree functioned as a _____.
4. A happy family occupies the _____ of the painting, the little girl was wearing a _____ brooch,
5. They found an _____ in the monastery, the statue had acquired a slight brown _____ over time