

All about Vincent van Gogh

What do you already know about Vincent van Gogh?



Vincent Van Gogh 1888



Born: 1853



Job: Artist



He was born in the Netherlands.



He had two brothers and three sisters.



Died: 1890

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Van Gogh the Painter



Vincent van Gogh was a Dutch artist.



He painted portraits and landscapes.



He used <u>watercolours</u> and oil paints.





He is famous for using bright colours and bold brushstrokes in his work.



He painted in a style called **Post-Impressionism**.

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Van Gogh the Painter

How did Van Gogh become a painter? Click on the timeline to find out more.

1879 1882 1885 1886



Van Gogh's
brother suggested
that he become
an artist. He went in
to art school in p
Brussels and
started to learn
about drawing.



He visited his relative, Anton Mauve, who introduced him to painting with oil paint.



He produced his first important painting, called 'The Potato Eaters'.



He moved to
Paris, where he
discovered the
work of some
artists called the
French
Impressionists.

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Famous Paintings by Van Gogh

Here is a gallery of Van Gogh's most famous works. Click on each painting to find out more.



The Potato Eaters
1885



Sunflowers 1888



Starry Night 1889

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Facts about Van Gogh

What have you found out about Vincent van Gogh?



Discuss It!

Find a partner and share what you found out. How many facts can you remember about Vincent van Gogh? Which of his paintings did you like best? Why?

Glossary

<u>Impressionism</u> – a style of painting using dabs of paint and colour, with visible brush strokes

<u>Landscape</u> – a painting showing a view of natural scenery, like the countryside

Portrait – a painting of a person

<u>Post-Impressionism</u> – the work of some famous artists including van Gogh, who used bright colours and symbols to show emotions and feelings in their artwork

<u>Watercolour</u> – a type of paint which is used with water to give transparent colour

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