

Georgia O'Keeffe

Artist 1887 - 1986



twinkl

Today's learning

Today we will be learning about a very famous artist called **Georgia O'Keeffe**.

You will need to watch Mrs Riley's video using the link on our remote learning page and then read through this file with your grown up to find out all about her. Your first task will be to write some sentences about her life.



Once you have done that, I'd like you to have a go at drawing some poppies – there's a link to a video to help you. There's also an additional challenge to try if you want to.

Early Life

Georgia Totto O'Keeffe was born on 15th November 1887.

She lived on a farm near a place called Sun Prairie in Wisconsin, USA.



Georgia had 6 brothers and sisters.

She loved the world around her and spent hours watching nature.

When she was 12, she told her mother that she wanted to be an artist when she grew up. She started lessons and everyone loved her drawings

Life as an artist

Georgia moved to Chicago and then New York to keep studying art.

Georgia started to paint close up views of flowers.

Soon even tiny flowers became enormous paintings



This is an example of one of Georgia's painting. Can you see how closely she looked at this flower.



Becoming Famous

Her work was put on display in an exhibition and people were amazed at her beautiful art.

She met a famous photographer called Alfred Steiglitz. They fell in love and got married.

Georgia carried on painting. She painted huge sky scrapers using squares, she painted blue-green lakes and she continued to paint magnified flowers on giant canvases.



This is one of Georgia's paintings of sky scrapers.



New Mexico

One summer, Georgia visited New Mexico which is in the south of America. She fell in love with the desert landscapes and went to live there.

She painted crosses, sand dunes and even skulls. Everything was fascinating to her.

Georgia became more and more famous and her paintings were shown all over the world. She became known as the 'Mother of American Modernism'.



Later Life

As she grew older, Georgia O'Keeffe began to lose her eyesight and in 1972, she painted her last unassisted painting.

She died on 6th March, 1986 aged 98 years old.

Georgia O'Keeffe had become one of the most important artists in the modern world.



What do you think of her art?
Do you like it? Why/ why not?



Some of Georgia's Paintings



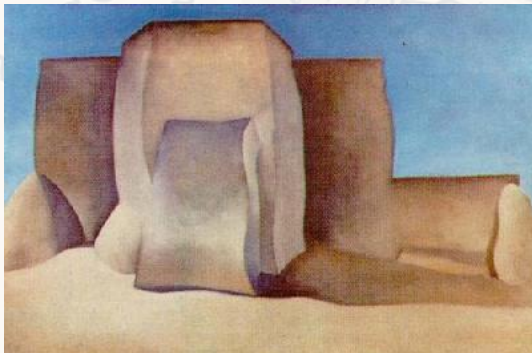
Yellow Calla



Oriental Poppies



Autumn
Leaves, Lake
George



Ranchos Church

Your Task

Write down 6 key facts that you have learned about Georgia O'Keeffe.

Remember to write in full sentences using capital letters and full stops.

You don't need to print anything – you could write your ideas on paper.

Fast Facts about Georgia O'Keeffe



Name _____

Write six fast facts about Georgia O'Keeffe.



Challenge

If you want to, you can write a story version of Georgia's life. You must begin with when she was born and tell her life story in the right order. You will need to use lots of time words to join your sentences together.



Examples of time words:

First

After that

Then

At last

Next

Eventually

Finally

Later

twinkl.com is not to be used for any commercial purposes. All rights reserved. twinkl.com is a registered trademark of twinkl.com. twinkl.com is a registered trademark of twinkl.com. twinkl.com is a registered trademark of twinkl.com.

Art Task

Watch this video at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EkSBztJ_bMQ

Have a go at drawing some poppies and colouring them.

Don't forget to send photos of your work to me.

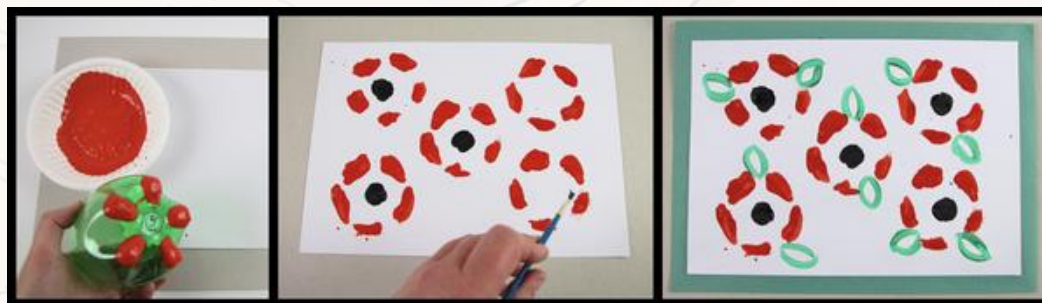
There's an art challenge on the next page if you want to do some more work. You can choose to do that challenge instead of this one if you prefer it.





Art Challenge 2

You must ask a grown up for permission to do this before you start.



If you have paint at home, you might like to try painting some poppies.

Use an empty plastic bottle and some red paint. Dip the bottom of the bottle into the paint and print it onto a piece of paper. Create a poppy picture, or alternatively try putting the poppies in a circle to create a poppy wreath. Paint a black centre of each poppy, as well as some green leaves.

I would love to see your work, so please send some photos to me using our class e-mail address:

year2@st-jo-st.dudley.sch.uk

