



## Art

David Hockney  
1937-present  
Pop art/ modern art

Year 6 Unit 1

### Key Vocabulary:

#### Core Knowledge

Modern Art

Artwork made between the 1860s and the 1970s. The term is usually associated with art in which the traditions of the past have been thrown aside in a spirit of experimentation.

Pop Art

A simple style using bright colours and everyday objects.

#### Technical Vocabulary

Acrylic Paint

Acrylic paint that's made from acrylic acid. It is a quick-drying, water-soluble paint that artists often use instead of oil paint or watercolours.

Landscape

The depiction of natural scenery.

Perspective

The art of representing three-dimensional objects on a two-dimensional surface to give the right impression of their height, width, depth, and position in relation to each other.

Horizon line

A horizon line is a type of eye-level line. Eye-level lines refer to the natural point of perspective drawing a viewer's eye into an image.

Vanishing Points

The vanishing point in paintings forms part of a linear perspective scheme. It is the point which is supposed to appear the furthest from the viewer - the position at which all receding parallel lines meet.

### Key Works of Art



Pacific Coast Highway and Santa Monica (1990)



Garrowby Hill (1998)



## Biography



**David Hockney**  
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- David Hockney was born 9 July 1937 and is an English painter, draftsman, printmaker, stage designer, and photographer. He is considered one of the most influential British artists of the 20th century.
- Hockney was one of the big artists involved in the pop art movement in the 1960s.
- Pop art was a style of art that was bright, full of colour. It was made by lots of young artists who felt that the art they saw in galleries was a little bit boring.
- Hockney lives in London but owns two other homes in California.
- A lot of his work varies, because California and the UK are very different places. California is usually always sunny, whereas in England the weather changes all the time. So, when painting in England, Hockney likes to paint the seasons.
- In *Going Up Garrowby Hill*, Hockney has painted a canvas of the landscape in Yorkshire, where he was brought up.
- Lots of Hockney's work involves painting people he loves. This is usually pairs of people. *My Parents* is a painting of his mum and dad and is probably one of his most famous.
- Hockney is still painting and trying lots of new experiments with art. Some of his most recent work includes painting on iPads. The great thing about iPads is that once the work has been complete, you can go back and see how the painting was created.
- Hockney received Britain's highest civil honour in the form of the *Order of Merit* for his achieved distinction in the world of art.
- He has also written 93 books based around art.
- Hockney is still creating art to this day, he even created a 'Lockdown' series throughout the Corona Virus Pandemic. He was living in Normandy at the time the pandemic hit, and all the art he created is based on landscape scenes in Normandy, all create on his iPad.

