

Activity 1

This picture was painted by the artist Henri Matisse. It is a painting of his family (Did you notice the apostrophe to show possession in the title?) Who do you think is in the painting? Can you list the family members shown?
Create a picture of the children in your family.

Activity 2

The picture shows a room in a home. Which room do you think this is? Why? List the furniture you can see in this painting. There is a patterned rug on the floor.
Create your own design for a colourful, patterned rug.

Activity 3

There are some items on the shelf over the fireplace in this painting. What are they? What material do you think the items are made of? Can they change shape?
Create a picture of a vase of flowers like the ones in this picture.

Activity 4

Each person in this painting has been doing something. The lady in the black dress looks like she has been reading a book. Can you see what the others are doing? Two members of the family are playing a game. What game are they playing?
Draw a picture that shows a game that you like to play.



TAKE ONE PICTURE
'Painter's Family' by Henri Matisse

Year 2

Activity 5

What season do you think this picture was painted in? Summer, Autumn, Winter or Spring. List the reasons why you think this. Take a sheet of paper and divide it into four equal pieces (you can fold it in half and then fold it in half again to make four quarters).
Now use that paper to create four small pictures of a park, or your garden, in each of the seasons.

Activity 6

Henri Matisse was a French artist. This painting was painted in France. Find France on a world map and answer these questions:
Is France larger or smaller than England?
Is the population of France smaller or larger than England?
Create a picture of the French flag.

Activity 7

This picture was painted in 1911. How long ago was that? Who was the King or Queen of England when this picture was painted? The lady in the black dress is wearing clothes that were in style in 1911.
Redraw the lady in the black dress in a modern set of clothes and holding a modern item in her hands.

Activity 8

If the picture showed more of the room, what do you think would be on the left of the picture? What do you think would be on the right of the picture? Would we see a television in the painting? What sort of painting might be hanging on the wall if they had any?
Create a picture that could hang on the wall.

Activity 9

We are seeing this picture from the artist's viewpoint (what the painter can see). What do you think the people in the painting are seeing?
Can you create a picture showing what the lady in the black dress might be seeing from her viewpoint?

Activity 10

Create a final piece of your own art work, using any medium of choice, inspired by Matisse's 'Painter's Family'. Children to photograph their work and upload to the gallery.

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