



Framework for writing about an artist/designer



Paragraph 1 – What do we know about the artist themselves?

- Full name
- Where they live(d)
- Upbringing
- Art education and training

Write all of this into a paragraph – remember it must be in your own words!!

Paragraph 2 – What do we know about their artwork?

- Is there a common subject matter that they look at?
- Do they work in a particular style?
- What scale do they work on?
- What materials do they use?

You may refer to SEMI to help you with this. Write as a paragraph in your own words

Paragraph 3 – What do you think about the artist's work? Why?

Give your own opinions and explain your reasons for them, using correct terminology. You may decide that you also wish to analyse a particular piece of the artist's work too. What do you notice about it? Colours? Techniques? Etc

Analysing a work of art using **SEMI**

SUBJECT

What is the painting about? What is in the painting? How realistic is the painting?

ELEMENTS

What are the main visual elements in the painting?

The visual elements are such things as line, tone, colour, shape, pattern, texture, scale, perspective, 3D form.

MATERIALS

How is the painting physically made. Is it oil paint on board or something else? You may have to research this.

INTENTION

What do you think the artist is trying to show in the painting. Does it have a mood? Is there a feeling of movement?