## **Spelling list: GCSE Art 2**

Key words for GCSE Art.

portrait If a canvas is in **portrait**, it means the short side is at the top.

landscape If a canvas is in **landscape**, it means the long side is at the top.

Genre is the type of art; including style, approach, medium, and subject

genre matter.

symbolic Symbolic artwork represents something specific in a way that is not literal.

geometric **Geometric** art works with lines and shapes.

traditional If something is **traditional**, it means it uses long-standing practices.

historical Historical refers to the past.

contemporary means happening in the present time.

abstract Abstract art does not attempt to represent physical reality.

still-life A **still-life** is a painting of an inanimate object.

cubism is a style of art using geometric shapes from many different angles.

Surrealism is a style of art that depicts dreamscapes and abnormal scenes surrealism

or ideas.

**Impressionism** is style which aims to depict the movement and colour of a impressionism

moment.

expressionism **Expressionism** is art made to create an emotional reaction or effect.

organic Organic shapes are shapes that are irregular and found in nature.

**Conceptual** art places more emphasis on the idea and process than the

final piece.

assemblage Assemblage is art made by placing real-world objects together.

conceptual

perceptive

**Perceptive** means to display sensitivity and deep understanding through your work.

cohesive

**Cohesive** is when the elements of your work appear unified by a theme or idea.