

AE Academic English UK

Grammar in Art Workbook

This might represent water or reflections, as the shades of blue dominate the canvas.

If the artist had used fewer colours, the effect would be less dynamic.

If you look closely, you can see how the orange contrasts with the blue to add warmth.



The painting, which is filled with shades of blue and touches of orange, creates a calm yet vibrant atmosphere.

The artist **is using** overlapping brushstrokes to suggest movement and depth.

The viewer **could interpret**this as a river flowing
through a city at night.

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Grammar in Art Workbook

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1. Who is it for?

This booklet is designed for international students preparing to or already studying at university or college where English is the medium of instruction. It focuses on grammar and writing skills through the theme of art, helping students develop the accuracy and flexibility needed for academic study. No prior knowledge of art history is required, but depending on their level of English, students may need additional time to process the information before completing the tasks. Each unit combines explanation, sentence-level practice, and paragraph writing, enabling learners to apply grammar in meaningful academic contexts.

2. How long will it take to complete the booklet?

The time needed will vary depending on the student's level of English and their prior subject knowledge. On average, each lesson is designed to take between 45–90 minutes to complete, including explanation, practice, and feedback activities. There are ten core lessons in total, plus one final review lesson that brings all of the grammar points together. These can be studied consecutively as a complete course or selected individually to focus on particular areas.

4. What context will be used to practice academic writing?

The theme of this booklet is art and academic English. Each grammar lesson is connected to the context of visual art, artists, and exhibitions, so that students can practise academic writing skills through meaningful subject content. The topics include describing artworks, interpreting meaning, writing about artists and movements, and imagining alternative histories. The final review lesson brings these strands together, helping students use a wide range of grammar structures in art-related academic writing.

⇒ **Note:** The art theme is used as a vehicle for grammar practice. Students are not expected to have prior knowledge of art history.

6. How to use this booklet?

Each lesson follows a clear structure: a vocabulary exercise, a short explanation of the grammar, sentence-level practice, and a paragraph writing task. Students are encouraged to complete all parts of the lesson to see how grammar moves from controlled exercises into extended academic writing. The peer feedback checklists at the end of each unit can be used for self-assessment or paired work, helping learners reflect on accuracy and cohesion.

The booklet is designed for both independent study and classroom use. In class, teachers may want to set the sentence-level tasks for pair or group work, followed by individual writing. For self-study, students should take extra time to compare their answers with the model responses and check their writing against each checklist.

7. What outcomes should students expect?

By the end of this booklet, students will have practised using a wide range of grammar structures in art-related academic writing. They will be able to:

- write more accurately and fluently about artworks, artists, and exhibitions.
- use tenses, passive voice, relative clauses, modal verbs, and conditionals with confidence.
- develop short academic paragraphs that combine grammar, vocabulary, and critical interpretation.
- give and receive constructive feedback using peer checklists.
- transfer these grammar skills into other areas of academic writing at university.

The final review lesson consolidates all ten grammar areas, allowing students to demonstrate progress and prepare for further study.





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10.	Modals (critical opinions about art).
11.	Conditionals (alternative histories, possible futures).
12.	Mixed grammar review (integration of all).
13.	Answer key with sample paragraphs for comparison.

Working with a Partner

Decide with your partner how you want to work. You can check answers together after each task or complete the whole unit first and then compare. Both ways work well: checking as you go helps you correct mistakes early, while waiting until the end lets you see how much you can do on your own.





English for Art: Present Simple

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

This activity introduces words that connect to both art and the present simple tense. You will use them to describe artworks and explain their features.

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

	Vo	cabu	lary			Definition													
1.	Gal	lery		a.	A sł	A show of artworks presented to the public, usually for a limited time.													
2.	XXX	XXXX	XX	b.	Ар	A person													
3.	Syn	nboli	se	c.	A la	rge t	hree-	dime	nsior	nal ar	twork	c mad	de of	stone	e or r	metal.			
4.	XXX	(XXX)	XX	d. The artwork.															
5.	Scu	lptur	e	e.	A b	A book or digital list that describes the artworks in an exhibition.													
6.	XXX	XXXX	XX	f.	А рі	rofes	siona	l who	orga	nise	exhi	bitio	ns.						
7.	Cat	alogı	ıe	g.	An										oox i	nvolve	ed.		
8.	XXX	0000	XX	h.	Artı	work	creat	ted fo	r a pa	articu	ılar sp	oace.							
9.	Inst	tallat	ion	i.	A pl	lace v	where	e art i	is disp	olaye	d to t	he pı	ublic.						
10.	10. j. To image, object, or actio					ction													
1.		2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.		10.	

Grammar Focus

The present simple tense is often used in academic art writing to an artwork shows, what an artist does and what a critic argues.

The Present Simple								
	Used to express	Examples						
1.	General facts and truths	 The Mona Lisa <u>hangs</u> in the Louvre Museum. 						
		 Oil paint <u>does not dry</u> quickly. 						
2.	habits	• The gallery opens at 9 a.m.						
		• Artists paint.						
3.	Permanent situations or states	 Yayoi Kusama works as a contemporary artist. to the university? 						
4.	Academic writing conventions In essays, the present simple is , theories,	 This article <u>argues</u> that abstraction represents a new visual language. and 						
	and critics' arguments.	symbolises harmony with nature.						





Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct present simple form of the verb in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The painting (depict) a rural landscape.	
2.	This photography.	
3.	Critics colour (symbolise) emotion.	
4.	Abstract rules of perspective.	
5.	A still life or everyday objects.	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

Sentence		Rewrite
Some artists uses acrylic paint for larg	e	
canvases.		
Symbolism	XXXXXXX	
works.		
The	in the	
main hall.		
He	realistic	
detail.		
This	society.	
	Some artists uses acrylic paint for larg canvases. Symbolism works. The main hall. He detail.	Some artists uses acrylic paint for large canvases. Symbolism works. The in the main hall. He realistic detail.

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences in the present simple.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	depict / often / artists / daily life	
2.	the brushstrokes	
3.	values	
4.	does not always collection / every year	
5.	shows subject's emotions	



Read ea	ach sentence	carefully	Choose the cor	rect option by	, highlighting α	r underlining it.
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1.	The composition (balance / balances) light and shadow.				
2.	Art critics (
3.	The gallery (photography.				
4.	from recycled materials.				
5.	The catalogue (contain /				

Task 5

Read the	naragraph a	and underline	all the ver	hs in the	present sim	nle
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XXXXXX	explores how Yayoi Kusama uses repetition in her	installations. Her work often reflects
psycholo	gical	the artwork as an immersive ,
and the o	critic interprets the dots as a metaphor for	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Task 6

Critics argue /

Use the notes to write a paragraph in the present simple. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

	<u> </u>	
•	Pop Art / emphasise / consumer cultur	e / advertising / branding
•	Andy Warhol /	bottles
•	His art / transform / everyday products	→ cultural icons
•	His	media
•	It / question / originality / authenticity	/ artistic value

/ consumer society

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Write your paragraph here		

<u>Task 7</u>

Use the information in the table to write a short comparative paragraph in the present simple. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

Artist A: Banksy	Artist B: Ai Weiwei
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	Creates installations
Focuses on politics	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
*******************************	Uses symbolism

Write your paragraph here



This paragraph has **FIVE** errors with verb forms. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	how technology shape creativity and
nitions of art. The curator argue	s that
************************	works that engage the audience.
here	

Task 9

Write a short paragraph about a painting, sculpture or artist you know. Use at least five verbs in the present simple

verbs in the present simple		
Write your paragraph here		

Task 10

Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Check for the following:						
1.	Grammar							
	Do all verbs use the correct present simple for not use)?	m (e.g.						
	Is subject—verb agreement correct (e.g. <i>The ar artist create</i>)?							
2.	Content & Vocabulary							
	Does the	simple verbs?						
	Are art-related words (e.g. depict, effectively?) used						
3.	Clarity & Organisation							
	Do the sentences connect logically?							
	Is the meaning	style?						
4.	Overall impression							
	One thing I liked about this paragraph:							
	One :							



English for Art: Present Continuous

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

This activity introduces words that connect to both art and the present continuous tense. You will use them to describe actions happening now, explain temporary situations and talk about events in progress, such as performances or exhibitions.

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

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	Voc	cabu	lary								De	efinit	ion						
1.	Sket	tch		a.	The	line	in the	e dist	ance	wher	e the	sky	seem	s to r	neet	the la	and o	r sea.	
2.	XXX	XXXX	XX	b.	A qı	uick	0000	0000	XXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXXX	XXX C	of sor	nethi	ng.			
3.	Stre	et ar	t	c.	The	The style and design of buildings.													
4.	XXX	XXX)	OX.	d.	Ар	A person goods.													
5.	Bud	get		e.	Visu	Visual art created in public spaces, often on walls or buildings.													
6.	XXX	XXXX	CX.	f.	A de	A detailed .													
7.	Mer	char	nt	g.	An a	art m	oven	nent 1	that s	hows	drea	ım-lik	e or	illogi	cal sc	enes.	•		
8.	XXX	XXXX	CX.	h.	The	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	a pro	oject.					
9.	Hori	izon		i.	A formal meeting where experts give talks and share ideas.														
10.	XXX	XXX	OX.	j.	Organising event.														
1.		2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.		10.	

Grammar Focus

The present continuous tense is often used when we want to talk about actions happening now, situations or what we or exhibition.

	The Present Continuous						
	Used for	Examples					
1.	Actions happening now	 The artist <u>is mixing</u> colours in the studio. Visitors the gallery. 					
2.	Temporary situations	 The museum <u>is hosting</u> a special exhibition this month. in London anymore. 					
3.	Descriptions	 In this painting, the woman <u>is holding</u> a basket and the children <u>are playing</u> outside. and the man <u>is pointing</u> towards the horizon. 					
4.	Plans future	 Is the week? We are meeting the artist tomorrow for an interview. 					





Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct present continuous form of the verb in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The students (sketch) the sculpture in the gallery.	
2.	The this month.	
3.	Visitors (look) installation.	
4.	The exhibition on street art.	
5.	She current work.	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The curator is talk about the new collection.	
2.	People .	
3.	The gallery of modern design.	
4.	He is year.	
5.	The critic about contemporary sculpture.	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences in the present continuous.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	analysing / critics / are / carefully / the painting	
2.	explaining symbolism	
3.	/ the portrait	
4.	the artist /	
5.	taking / notes	



Read ea	ach sentence	carefully	Choose the cor	rect option by	, highlighting α	r underlining it.
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1.	The museum (is opening / are opening) a new gallery space next week.				
2.	Students abstract art.				
3.	The	for the exhibition.			
4.	They (is working /	XXXXXXXXXX.			
5.	She (is not	at the conference.			

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Read the paragraph and underline all verbs in the present continuo	Read :	the	paragra	aph and	underline	all verbs	in the	present	continuo
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Right now,		gallery. A guide is giving a talk about surr	ealism	and
is answerin	g questions from the students. S	Some	others	are
sketching		a temporary exhibition on Salvador Dalí.		

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph in the present continuous tense. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

•	students / study / painting techniques
•	
•	some students / take / photographs
•	
•	class / prepare /

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Look at the examples and identify which description uses the present simple and which uses the present continuous. Then write a description of a piece of art using the present continuous. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

Sentence A	Sentence B				
The portrait represents a wealthy merchant. It	painting, the merchant is sitting beside				
shows	a table. He is a				
and jewellery.	gold coin.				

Write your paragraph here		



This paragraph has **FIVE** errors with verb forms. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

The artist are creating a series of	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	textures	and
. The gallery	are presenting these paintings in the main	hall. Criti	cs is
analysing the meaning of her style,		with	her
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX			

Rewrite the paragraph here...

Task 9

Choose one of the paintings below. Write a short description using at least five present continuous verbs. Describe , and how the action the artwork.



Write your paragraph here...





<u>Task 10</u>

Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Are all verbs in the present continuous (be + verb-ing)?		
	Is subject—verb are painting)?		
2.	Content & Vocabulary		
	Does the paragraph include at least five present continuous verbs?		
	Are art-related words (e.g. , showing) used effectively?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Do the ?		
	Does the paragraph create a clear picture of what is happening in the artwork?		
4.	Overall impression		
	One :		
	One suggestion for improvement:		



English for Art: Past Simple

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Vocabulary Preview

This activity introduces words that connect to both art and the past simple tense. You will use them to describe completed events, explain what artists did in the past and write about historical movements and exhibitions.

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

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	Vocabula	ry		Definition												
1.	Impression	nist a.	Conn	ected	with e	vents,	, peo	ple, c	or de	velop	ment	s in t	he pa	ast.		
2.	Landscape	b.	A gro	up of	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	st	yles.				
3.	XXXXXXXXXX	C.	An ea	rly 20	th-cen	tury a	rt m	ovem	ent f	ocus	ed on	geor	netri	c forr	ns.	
4.	Movement	t d.	To sh	To show museum.												
5.	XXXXXXXXX	e.	A 19t	A 19th-century style using light and colour.												
6.	Resistance	f.	Α	OOOOX	XXXXXX	00000	XXX	$\times \times $	XXX.							
7.	XXXXXXXXX	g.	The a	The act of opposing or standing against authority or control.												
8.	Historical	h.	Some	Something creativity.												
9.	XXXXXXXXX	i.	A Eur	A European period of art and learning.												
10.	Exhibited	j.	Α	A scenery.												
1.	2.	3.	4		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.		10.	

Grammar Focus

In art history, the past simple tense is used to describe events. We use it to discuss key dates, historical contexts and the achievements of artists.

	Past Simple							
	Used for		Examples					
1.	Completed actions in the past	•	<u>Did</u> Van Gogh <u>paint</u> The Starry Night in 1889?					
		•	The .					
2.	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	•	Frida Kahlo exhibited her work in Paris in 1939.					
	achievements	•	The first					
			exhibition in 1774, it was 1874.					
3.	Narrating	•	The public					
	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		opinion.					
	history	•	The movement spread quickly across Europe.					





Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct past simple form of the verb in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	Van Gogh(paint) Almond Blossoms in 1890.	
2.	The modern art in 2015.	
3.	Frida 1939.	
4.	Impressionist exhibition.	
5.	When Period?	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The artist paint the landscapes in 1905.	
2.	They not London.	
3.	The critic Cubism.	
4.	The summer.	
5.	When self-portrait?	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences in the past simple.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	painted / Leonardo da Vinci / the <i>Mona Lisa</i> / around 1503	
2.	developed early 20th century	
3.	painting article/of	
4.	Academy / in 1870	
5.	first / in a gallery	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it.

1.	Monet (starts / started) the Impressionist movement in the 1870s.
2.	The gallery
3.	She (did not use /
4.	When ?
5.	The artist in the 1920s.

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In 1874, a group of artists organised	l th	e first	XXXXXX	XXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XX	XXX
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	as	unfinished.	However,	the	public	attende	ed in	large
numbers and began to support the new	mc	vement.				XXXX	art.	

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph in the present continuous tense. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

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•	Pablo Picasso / paint / 0	Guernica / 1937			
•	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	000000000			
•	many critics / praise / th	ne work/ emotion	onal impact		
•	later		recognised		
•	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	resistance			

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Use the information in the table to write a short comparative paragraph in the past simple. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

Claude Monet	Vincent van Gogh
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	Paints <i>The Starry Night</i>
Focuses on light and colour	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	Lives in France

Write your paragraph here		



This paragraph has **FIVE** errors with verb forms. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

The museum open a	2018. It featured paintings
from both Italy and France. The curator does r	not explain the historical
000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Many people still finding the exhibition inspiring.
It presents several works that had not been disp	·
local	the following day.
Rewrite the paragraph here	
New rice the paragraph here	
Task 9	
Write a short paragraph about an art	from history. Use at least five past simple
verbs and link the ideas together so the parag	
Write your paragraph here	

<u>Task 10</u>

Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:			No
1.	Grammar			
	Are the verbs in the past	XXXXXXXXXXX		
	Are negatives formed correctly using did not?			
2.	Content & Vocabulary			
	Does the paragraph	verb	s?	
	Are art-related words (e.g. exhibition, movement effectively?	ent, critic) used		
3.	Clarity & Organisation			
	Do the sentences connect logically to tell a cle			
	Does the	(not too informal)?	
4.	Overall impression			
	One thing I liked about this paragraph:			
	One	XXXXX		



English for Art: Past Continuous

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Vocabulary Preview	Voca	<u>bu</u>	lary	<u>Pre</u>	view
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This activity i	ntroduces w	ords that con	nect to b	oth art and th	ne past continuous tense. You
will use them	to describe		actions,		processes and events that
XXXXXXXXX	at the same	time in the p	ast.		

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

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	Voca	bulary			Definition												
1.	Drip		a.	An a	An art movement that used bold colours and strong emotion.												
2.	Techn	ique	b.	XXX	XXXX	0000	0000	0000	OXXX	XXXXX							
3.	XXXXX	XXX	c.	A sty	A style of painting that does not represent recognisable objects.												
4.	Mura		d.	XXX	XXXX	0000	0000	0000	0000	XXXXX	K						
5.	XXXXX	OOX	e.	A m	A method of painting where liquid falls in drops onto a surface.												
6.	Exper	iment	f.	XXX	XXXX	0000	0000	0000	OOOC	XXXXX	K						
7.	XXXXX	XXX	g.	The	head	d of a	n org	ganisa	tion	such	as a ı	muse	um o	r gall	ery.		
8.	Water	colour	h.	XXX	00000	0000	00000	00000	0000	XXXXX	X						
9.	XXXXX	XXX	i.	A pa	aintir	ng sty	le tha	at use	s pig	ment	s mix	ked w	ith w	ater.			
10.	Abstra	act	j.														
1.	2		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.	10.	

Grammar Focus

The past continuous tense is useful in art writing when we describe actions that were in progress at a specific time in the past. It helps us explain artistic processes, describe what was happening in studios or galleries and set the background to important events.

	Past Continuous					
	Used for		Examples			
1.	Actions in progress at a specific time in the past	•	In 1950, Jackson Pollock <u>was experimenting</u> with new drip painting techniques in his studio. Was art during the festival?			
2.	Two same time	•	While Ansel Adams was photographing were painting abstract forms. while the curator was giving a lecture.			
3.	Background (longer interruption).	•	The artist was working in her studio when she . new exhibition when the director retired.			



Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct past continuous form of the verb in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The artist (work) on a new sculpture yesterday afternoon.	
2.	They that period.	
3.	What the exhibition at the time?	
4.	Visitors while the guide (speak).	
5.	She other young painters.	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

	T	, , ,
	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The artist were designing a mural in 2010.	
2.	The of the war.	
3.	They in Florence.	
4.	of the painting.	
5.	Were	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences in the past continuous tense.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	sketching / the students / were / quickly / in	
	the gallery	
2.	was / of	
	collages/upcoming exhibition	
3.	/ xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	
	/ at the café	
4.	history /	
	travelling	
5.	/ the	
	museum / was	



Read each sentence carefull	y. Choose the correct option	by highlighting o	r underlining it.

1.	At midnight, the artist (was still working / were still working) in the studio.			
2.	The critics (
3.	at that time.			
4.	What (was / were)			
5.	The director catalogue.			

Task 5

Read the paragraph. Underline all the verbs in the past continuous.

In 1911, the Futurists were organising	across
ideas. While the critics were reacting strongly to	Cubism, the
Futurists were promoting speed and	war broke
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph in the past continuous. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

•	1920s / students / study / Bauhaus	design
•	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	methods

• visitors / attend / exhibitions in Weimar

• furniture

• movement / grow / influence

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Use the prompts in the table to compare the groups of artists working at the same time but in different ways. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

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muralists	Abstract	Surrealists	XXXXXXXXXX	Photographers
Paint /	experiment / in	discuss / dreams and	design / works	document /
walls	New York	XXXXXXXX	images	

Write your paragraph here					



. The curator was spoke with international artists about possible loans. The technicians was preparing entered atmosphere was building because everyone remarkable. Rewrite the paragraph here
entered atmosphere was building because everyone remarkable.
entered atmosphere was building because everyone remarkable.
remarkable.
Rewrite the paragraph here
Rewrite the paragraph here
<u>Fask 9</u>
Choose a period in (e.g. the Renaissance,
Expressionism). Write a short paragraph describing what artists, critics, or galleries were
doing during continuous sentences and link the
deas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.
Write your paragraph here

<u>Task 10</u>

Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Are verbs formed correctly with was/were + -ing?		
	Are singular/plural forms		
	painting)?		
2.	Content & Vocabulary		
	Does the paragraph include verbs?		
	Are art-related words (e.g. artist, techniques, critiques) included?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Do the ?		
	Is the writing descriptive and clear?		
4.	Overall impression		
	One :		
	One suggestion for improvement:		



English for Art: Present Perfect

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

•	hat connect to both art and the present perf	1
will use them to discuss artists'	vork connects to the present.	achievements

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

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	Vo	cab	ulary	1			Definition												
1.	Glob	al			a.	A per	A person who is the first to develop or explore new ideas or methods.								ls.				
2.	Reco	gnit	tion		b.	Equal	XXXX	XXXX	0000	(XXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX C	cultur	e.				
3.	XXXX	XX	CX.		c.	An ar	An artistic form that involves live actions.												
4.	Digital art			d.	A priz	A prize achievement.													
5.	XXXX	XX	OX.		e.	A group of people born and living around the same period of time.													
6.	Performance f.					Accep	tance	e and	XXXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXX	or co	ntribu	ution.	
7.	XXXXX	XX	OX.		g.	Some	thing	that r	elate	s to c	r affe	ects t	he w	hole v	world	d.			
8.	Human rights h.					XXXX	00000	OOOX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXX	th	at be	elong	to al	l peo	ple.		
9.	Award i.				i.	An ar	t mov	emen	t that	brol	e fro	m tra	ditio	nal fo	rms.				
10.	j. Art created using					XXX	or sc	oftwar	e.										
1.		2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.		10.	

Grammar Focus

The present perfect tense is useful in art writing when we want to connect the past with the present. It helps us explain how artists have influenced others, how movements have developed over time and how exhibitions have shaped public understanding of art.

		Present Perfect				
	Used for	Examples				
1.	Life experiences (no specific time)	 Damien Hirst <u>has exhibited</u> his work all over the world. Many at least once. 				
2.	Recent	 The gallery <u>has not displayed</u> the new collection yet. The artist . 				
3.	time	 Street art and digital art <u>have become</u> global phenomena. The recognition decades. 				
4.	or achievement	 Frida Kahlo <u>has inspired</u> generations of contemporary artists. <u>Has</u> other artists? 				





Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct present perfect simple form of the verb in brackets.

Sentence	Rewrite
The gallery (host) three major exhibitions this year.	
She yet.	
Have Gallery?	
This younger painters.	
The in	
	The gallery (host) three major exhibitions this year. She gallery? This younger painters.

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

		, , ,
	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The critic has write several books about modernism.	
2.	They did yet.	
3.	Did the recently?	
4.	political installations.	
5.	She piece.	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences in the present perfect.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	exhibited / artists / have / their work / many times	
2.	**************************************	
	already	
3.	/ of	
	painters	
4.	on feminism /	
	has / an exhibition	
5.	/ the	
	collection	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it.

1.	The role of photography (has changed / changed) in the last fifty years.
2.	She (
3.	Have you (ever visited ?
4.	The mural in New York.
5.	Critics (art.

Task 5

Read the paragraph. Underline all verbs in the present perfect.

	- 1 1
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	have explored new materials and digital tools. At
the same time, the Tate Modern has organise	d
Market Ma	hether these works have changed the definition of
art. For this reason, many students have visite	ed these
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph using the present perfect tense. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

•	Ai Weiwei / create / installations / challenge authority
•	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
•	his art / influence / global debate on human rights
•	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
•	

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Use the information in the table to write a short comparative paragraph using the present perfect tense. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

Street Art	Digital Art
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	Changed rapidly
Gained recognition	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	Opened new creative possibilities

Write your paragraph here					



This paragraph has **FIVE** errors with present perfect verbs. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

last ten years. She did not present her work in						
Europe yet. Critics has frequently describe her						
have influenced young designers across the world.						
Rewrite the paragraph here						

Task 9

Write a short paragraph about an artist or movement that has influenced the art world. Use at least five present perfect verbs and link the ideas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

smootniy.					
Write your paragraph here					

<u>Task 10</u> Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:		Yes	No			
1.	Grammar						
	Are verbs correctly formed with has/have + past participle?						
	Are irregular						
	writed)?						
2.	Content & Vocabulary						
	Does the paragraph						
	Are art-related words (e.g. influence, exhibit, inspire) used						
	effectively?						
3.	Clarity & Organisation						
	Do the sentences connect clearly to describe influence and I	egacy?					
	Does (not too inform	nal)?					
4.	Overall impression						
	One						
	One suggestion for improvement:						



English for Art: Future Forms

FXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

This activity introduces words that connect to both art and future forms. You will use them							
to describe	XXXXXXXX	, make predictions about	XXXXXXXX	and talk about future			
collaborations or projects.							

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

	when you have mished.																	
	\	ocab	ular	y		Definition												
1.	Inte	eract	ive		a.	A spe	A special event celebrating art, culture, or performance.											
2.	XXX	CXXX	XX		b.	000000000000000000000000000000000000000												
3.	Col	lectiv	/e		C.	A skilled worker who sets up or maintains equipment.												
4.	XXX	OOOC	XX		d.	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000												
5.	Cor	ntem	porai	ſy	e.	Art created in public spaces, often on walls.												
6.	Tec	hnici	an		f.	XXXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXX						
7.	XXX	OOOC	XX		g.	To ma	ake a	work	avail	able	to th	e pul	olic.					
8.	Gra	phic	desig	gn	h.	XXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXX						
9.	XXX	XXXX	XX		i.	Using	reso	urces	s in a	way	that p	rote	cts th	e fut	ure.			
10.	Fes	tival			j.													
1.		2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.	10.	

Grammar Focus

In art writing, future forms help us describe projects, and changes in the art world. We use predictions, state intentions and describe scheduled events.

		Future Forms
	Used for	Examples
1.	Predictions (will)	Street art <u>will continue</u> to influence graphic design.
		This exhibition <u>will not attract</u> many visitors without better promotion.
2.	(0,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,	• 0000000000000000000000000000000000000
		 Are they going to exhibit their work in Tokyo?
3.	Scheduled	The gallery <u>is opening</u> a new exhibition next month.
		The course of the latter of th
		The museum <u>is not holding</u> a lecture on



Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct future form of the verb in brackets. *If more than one answer is possible, write them both.*

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The museum (open) a new gallery in 2026.	
2.	She year because she has another project.	
3.	Critics (be) successful.	
4.	The artist (launch) a digital	
5.	We .	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The gallery going to open an exhibition in	
	Rome.	
2.	Critics	
	newspapers.	
3.	She	
	Saturday.	
4.	They	
	photographs.	
5.	Will the year?	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences using future tenses.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	going to / a new mural / is / the artist / paint	
2.	in the / its influence	
3.	the / in June	
4.	present / / the students / going to	
5.	tomorrow / sustainability in art	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it. *If both options are possible, then highlight/underline them both.*

1.	I am sure the exhibition (will / is going to) attract international visitors.	
2.		
3.	She She	
4.	The critic	
5.	The gallery	

Task 5

Read the paragraph. U	Inderline al	ll the verbs	in the future.
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XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	exhibition on contemporary African art. The
director says it will attract many visitors. Severa	l artists
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	international press, and students are presenting
research .	

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph using future tenses. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

- artist / paint / new mural / next year
- gallery
- students / present / projects / at seminar
- audience

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Use the information in the table to write a short comparative paragraph using future tenses. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

Artist A	Artist B	
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	will exhibit sculptures internationally	
is meeting curators in Berlin	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	is opening a studio in New York	

Write your paragraph here		



This paragraph has FIVE errors with future verbs.	Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow
by adding appropriate linking words.	

The	ppropriate mixing words.	mont	h. The curator going to meet the artists
	to finalise the programme. The		
students	the programme.		vent will attracts wide attention and is
likely to		contemporary a	
incry to		contemporary a	
Rewrite th	e paragraph here		
Task 9			
Choose an	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	0000000000	event. Write a short paragraph using
	future verb forms and link t	he ideas togeth	er so the paragraph flows smoothly.
	paragraph here		ar as and paragraph no mo amount,
tritte yeur	paragraph norem		

Task 10 Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Are future forms used		
	Is there a clear mix of at least five future forms?		
2.	2. Content & Vocabulary		
	Are art-related terms (e.g. included?)	
	Do the sentences describe projects or events?	1	
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Do the ?		
	Is the writing academic and clear?		
4.	Overall impression		
	One paragra	iph:	
	One suggestion for improvement:		



English for Art: Passives

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary	Preview
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This activity introduces words the	nat connect to	both art and t	he passive vo	ice. You will us	e
them to describe how artworks	XXXXXXXX	, exhibited and	XXXXXXXXX	more on the	
process than the person.					

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

	i you nav	•														
	Vocab	ulary	/			Definition										
1.	XXXXXXX	(X		a.	Desci	ribes	some	ething	that	is no	t per	mane	ent.			
2.	Curatori	al		b.	XXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXXX	XXX					
3.	XXXXXXXX	XX		C.	The a	The act of showing something in a public place.										
4.	Displaye	ed		d.	XXXX	000000000000000000000000000000000000000										
5.	XXXXXXX	XX		e.	An artwork created for a specific space, often large-scale.											
6.	Praised			f.	100000000000000000000000000000000000000											
7.	Tempora	ary		g.	Repa	Repairing something and returning it to its original state.										
8.	XXXXXXX	XX		h.	XXXX	000000000000000000000000000000000000000										
9.	Interpre	ted		i.	The presence of harmful substances in the environment.											
10.	20000000	XX		j.	something.											
1.	2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.	9.	10.	

Grammar Focus

The	passive voice i	is very common in ac	cademic art w	riting because the focus is often on		
the	XXXXXXXXXXX	not the person who	XXXXXXXXX	. We use it to describe how art was		
pro	produced, displayed or interpreted.					

•		•	
		Passive Voice	
	Used for	Examples	Tense
1.	To emphasise the artwork, not the	Several installations <u>are exhibited</u> in the biennale.	Present simple
	artist	<u>Was</u> the 1930s?	Past simple
2.	When the agent or	This an Italian village.	Present perfect
	unimportant	Future with going to	
3.	style formal	The exhibition is not being curated by Tate Modern now.	Present continuous
		published in	Future with will
		the museum's annual report.	



Each sentence below has a missing verb form. Complete the sentences by using the correct passive form of the verb in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The Mona Lisa (paint) by Leonardo da	
	Vinci in the early 1500s.	
2.	******************************	
	in the main hall every year.	
3.	******************************	
	languages.	
4.	A new curatorial	
	team at the moment.	
5.	The at the	
	conference next month.	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

	is the target grant and a mistake. New the them correctly using the target grant man				
	Sentence	Rewrite			
1.	The exhibition curate by the museum.				
2.	The				
3.	The the mayor.				
4.	The journal.				
5.	gallery next week.				

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences in the passive voice.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	praised / by critics / was / the painting	
2.		
3.	being / carefully	
4.	the artwork	
5.	/ in London	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it.

1.	The building (was designed / designed) by Frank Gehry in 1997.		
2.	The exhibition .		
3.	The	this week.	
4.	A new book	art.	
5.	The	biennale next year.	

Task 5

Read the paragraph. Underline all the verbs in the passive voice.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	collection in 1990. Since then, it has been
exhibited in several major galleries. It is describe	ed as
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	being displayed at the National Museum. Next
year, it will be loaned to the Louvre in Paris.	

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph in the passive voice. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

ciic	in together so the paragraph nows smoothly.
•	mural / paint / city centre / 1985
•	
•	restoration / complete / 2005
•	
•	work / admire / by visitors today
_	

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Use the prompts in the table to compare two pieces of artwork. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

min triem together to the paragraph here	5 <i>y</i> .
Artwork A	Artwork B
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	is displayed in Greece today
was exhibited in London	***************************************
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	will be presented at the biennale next year

Write your paragraph here	



This paragraph has **FIVE** errors with passive verbs. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	gallery. Several installations was show in the
main hall. The artworks were describe as innova	tive.
displays.	
Rewrite the paragraph here	

Task 9

Choose a painting, sculpture, or exhibition. Write a short paragraph using at least five passive verbs in different tenses and link the ideas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

Smoothly.					
Write your paragraph here	Write your paragraph here				

<u>Task 10</u> Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Are verbs correctly		
	Is subject–verb agreement correct (The paintings were restored)?		
2.	Content & Vocabulary		
	Does the paragraph include at least five passive verbs?		
	Are art-		
	restoration) used effectively?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Do the sentences flow logically as a paragraph?		
	Is San		
4.	Overall impression		
	One		
	One suggestion for improvement:		



English for Art: Relative Clauses

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

This activity introduces words that connect to both art and relative clauses. You will use them to add detail about artists, artworks and galleries, making your sentences more precise and informative.

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

		Voca	bula	ry							De	finiti	on					
1.		Bauhaus			a.	Wide	ly re	cogni	sed a	nd sy	mbo	lically	/ repr	esent	tative	€.		
XXXXXX	XX	XXXXX	XXX		b.	XXXX	XXXX	00000	(XXX)	0000	(XXX)	XXXX						
3.		Landmark			C.	An aı	rt and	d desi	gn st	yle fr	om e	arly 2	20th-	centu	ry Ge	ermar	ıy.	
4.		XXXXX	XXX		d.	XXXX	XXXX	0000	0000	0000	0000	XXXX						
5.		Transformed e.		e.	Changed completely in form or appearance.													
6.		XXXXX	XXX		f.	XXXXX	XXXX	0000	0000	0000	XXXX	XXXX						
7.		Emotio	on		g.	The e	exper	ience	of d	ealing	g wit	h diffi	icultie	es or (chall	enges	5.	
8.		Volum	es		h.	XXXX	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	XXXX						
9.		XXXXX	XXX		i.	A pe	rson's	emo	tiona	al and	psy	cholo	gical	well-k	peing	; .		
10.		Menta	l hea	lth	j.	XXX	XX	OXX	XX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XX	XX			
1.	2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.		10.	

Grammar Focus

In academic art writing, relative clauses help us add precise information about artists, artworks and exhibitions. They allow us to describe details clearly and link ideas smoothly, which is essential for formal academic style.

		R	elative Clauses
	Type	Function	Example
1.	Defining relative	give essential information	The painting that hangs in the Uffizi Gallery was created by Botticelli. ['which' is possible here too].
	clauses		The ['that' is possible here too].
2.	Non- defining relative clauses	essential information. of the sentence.	Van Gogh, who was Dutch, created over 2,000 artworks. ['that' is NOT possible here]. The most visited museums in the world. ['that' is NOT possible here].
3.	Relative (people, things, places, time)	Show relationships to or times	The curator whose research influenced the exhibition is giving a lecture. The year when the Biennale





Each sentence below has a missing word. Complete the sentences by using the correct relative pronoun.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The artist painted The Starry Night was	S
	Vincent van Gogh.	
2.	The	
	millions of visitors.	
3.	The	
	praised the exhibition.	
4.	This is	
	installation art.	
5.	1874	held
	their first exhibition.	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

Note: one of the sentences needs the passive voice.

	Sentence		Rewrite
1.	The exhibition, that was organised by	the	
	Louvre, attracted thousands.		
2.	The	in	
	Brazil.		
3.	This	public	
	opinion.		
4.	The	very	
	famous.		
5.	The	last	
	week.		

Task 3

Join the two sentences together by using an appropriate defining or non-defining relative clause.

	Sentence 1	Sentence 1	Relative Clause
1.	Frida Kahlo was a	She created many self-portraits.	
2.	The sculpture is very old.	It Greece.	
3.	The gallery York.	It displays	
4.	Banksy is a famous	His works have appeared	
5.	The Impressionists first	They changed modern art.	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it.

	7 1 7 5 5 5
1.	The critic (whose / who's) essay was published is very influential.
2.	***************************************
3.	The museum (which / where)
4.	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
5.	The

Task 5

Read the paragraph and <u>underline</u> all the relative clauses.

The Tate	Modern,			important	modern	art
XXXXXXXX		. It houses works by artists	who		Visi	itors
can also see	XXXXXX	issu	es. The building, w	hich was		XX,
is an iconic	landmark in	London.				

Task 6

Use the notes to make a connected paragraph using relative clauses. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

•	Diego Rivera / create / murals / Mexico City
•	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
•	Rivera / influence / artists / Latin America
•	000000000000000000000000000000000000000

Write your paragraph here		

Task 7

Use the prompts in the table to compare two artists. Write full sentences using both defining and non-defining relative clauses and link the ideas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

5.11 .5 5 cm 1 .		
Artist A	Artist B	
.00000000000000000000000000000000000000	painted landscapes	
was born in Spain	***************************************	
***************************************	influenced the Impressionists	
Artist	A & B	
Different styles		
diversit	ty of artistic development	

diversity of artistic development	
Write your paragraph here	



This paragraph has **FIVE** errors with relative clauses. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

Malevich, that was a Russian painter, created works whose
Black Square was held in St. Petersburg. His
writings, that are collected in many volumes, reveal his
, is one of his most iconic works. 1915 was the year
where he first exhibited the painting.
Rewrite the paragraph here

Task 9

Choose a painting, artist, or exhibition. Write a paragraph using at least four relative clauses, using both defining and non-defining types. Link the ideas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

smoothly.		
Write your paragraph here		

<u>Task 1</u>0

Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Are the relative clauses formed correctly		
	Is there a clear mix of defining and non-defining clauses?		
2.	Content & Vocabulary		
	Does the paragraph		
	Are art-related words (e.g. artist, painting, critic, exhibition) used effectively?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Do the		
	Is the writing academic and clear?		
4.	Overall impression		
	One thing I liked about this paragraph:		
	One		



English for Art: Modals

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary	Preview
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This	s activity intr	oduces words that conn	ect to both ar	t and modal verbs. You will use them
to		about meaning, suggest		and give critical opinions about
art۱	works and st	vles.		

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

	i you na		1		1												-
	Voca	bular	y			Definition											
1.	Contex	tual		a.	The a	ne act of making guesses without firm evidence.											
2.	XXXXXX	OOX		b.	XXXX	000000000000000000000000000000000000000											
3.	Retrosp	ectiv	e	c.	The v	The way something can be understood or explained.											
4.	XXXXXX	OOX		d.	XXXX	100000000000000000000000000000000000000											
5.	Specula	ation		e.	Relat	Related to the surrounding circumstances or background.											
6.	XXXXXX	OOX		f.	XXXX	000000000000000000000000000000000000000											
7.	Provok	е		g.	Nega	tive c	comm	ents	or ar	alysis	of a	work	۲.				
8.	XXXXXX	OOX		h.	XXXX	XXXXX	00000	XXXXX	00000	XXXXX	XXX						
9.	Conflic	t		i.	A state of disorder and confusion.												
10.	XXXXXX	000		j.	100000000000000000000000000000000000000												
1.	2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.	9.		10.	

Grammar Focus

In academic art writing, modal verbs are used to express speculation, interpretation and degrees of certainty. They help us analyse artworks more allowing us to suggest rather than stating them as facts.

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	Modal Verbs					
	Used for	Examples				
1.	Speculation and (possibility / certainty)	The figure <u>might represent</u> the artist's mother. (possibility) (certainty)				
2.	to) (should / ought	Should the exhibition include more contextual information? Curators more clearly.				
3.	(can / could)	This installation <u>can provoke</u> strong emotional reactions. Photography century.				
4.	Future possibility (may / might)	Digital art <u>might become</u> the most century. Some planned problems.				



Each sentence below has a missing word. Complete the sentences with the correct modal verb using the prompt in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The dark colours (possibility) suggest	
	sadness.	
2.	The	
	be interpreted in many ways.	
3.	This	
	information about the context.	
4.	The strong	
	certainty) symbolise hope.	
5.	The be	
	controversial when it opens.	

Task 2

Each sentence below contains a mistake. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The critic said the painting musts represent political power.	
2.	This	
3.	The debates.	
4.	Visitors collection.	
5.	The mural of workers.	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct modal sentences.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	symbolise / must / the dove / peace	
2.	show /	
	ille	
3.	the	
	installation	
4.	/ the	
	review	
5.	values /	
	modern art	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it. *If both options are possible, then highlight/underline them both.*

1.	The figure (may / must) represent the artist's self-portrait; we cannot be sure.					
2.	The colours and death.					
3.	The exhibition catalogue.					
4.	The artwork strong.					
5.	Street					

Task	5
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Read	the p	aragraph and <u>underline</u>	all the modal v	erbs.				
The	XXXX	KXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	protest, but it	XXXX	XXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXX	struggles.
The	dark	colours must represent o	conflict, since si	milar	tones	appear in his	s other v	works. The
exhil	oition			XXX	inforn	nation to help	visitors u	understand
this	contex	ct. Such a powerful image o	can provoke inte	nse de	ebate			piece
XXX			art t	to high	ılight it	ts continuing r	elevance	. .

Task 6

Use the following notes to write a short analysis of an abstract painting. Use 5-6 modal verbs and link the ideas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

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•	painting / might / express / inner emotions
•	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
•	colours / can / affect / mood of viewers
•	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
•	gallery

Write your paragraph here		



Interpret the same painting in two different ways using modals.



Write your paragraph here	
Task 8	
	Powrite it correctly and improve the flow
This paragraph has FIVE errors with modal verbs.	Rewrite it correctly and improve the now
by adding appropriate linking words.	
The Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark	of modern life. The colours can to also suggest

The of modern life. The colours can to also suggest hope for the future. Critics argue that the commentary more historical interpretation. The exhibition mights reveal new evidence about the artist's influences. This must the piece.

Rewrite the paragraph here...



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choose a painting of sculpture. Write a short paragrap	on that interprets the work, comments
on how it is	. Use at least five different modal
verbs and link the ideas together so the paragraph flow	ws smoothly.
Write your paragraph here	

<u>Task 10</u>
Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:		Yes	No
1.	Grammar			
	Are at least five different modal verbs	XXXXXX		
	Are the modal verbs formed correctly (<i>must symbolise</i> , <i>provoke</i> , <i>should include</i>)?	can		
2.	Content & Vocabulary			
	Does the	(e.g.		
	colours, figures, exhibition, interpretation)?			
	Do the			
	(speculation, certainty, advice, potential, future possibil	ity)?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation			
	Does the text read as a single flowing paragraph, not just sentences?	st separate		
	Are ideas linked with	same		
	time, in the future, while)?			
4.	Overall impression			
	One thing I liked about this paragraph:			
	One :			



English for Art: Conditionals

FXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

This activity	introduces w	ords that c	onnect to bo	th art and condition	nal sentence	s. You will
use them to	XXXXXXXXX	histories,		about artists and	XXXXXXXX	possible
outcomes in	the art world	l .				

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

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		Voca	bulary				Definition										
1.	Pigme	nts			a.	Tł	ne car	e and	d prot	tectio	n of	artwo	orks o	ver ti	me.		
2.	XXXXXX	XXX			b.	XO	0000	XXXX	0000	0000	OXXX	0000	XX				
3.	New n	nedia			c.	To	say v	vhat	will p	robal	oly ha	appei	n in tl	he fut	ure.		
4.	Fade				d.	XO	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	00000	XX				
5.	XXXXX	XXX			e.	T	To become less bright or lose colour.										
6.	Predic	t			f.	X	XXXXX	XXXX	0000	0000	OOOC	XXXX	XX				
7.	XXXXX	XXX			g.	Μ	Made visible or left unprotected.										
8.	Conse	vatio	on		h.	X	XXXX	XXXX	0000	00000	00000	00000	XX				
9.	XXXXX	XXX			i.	Aı	rt invo	lving	digit	al or	eme	rging	techr	nologi	ies.		
10.	Groun	dbrea	aking		j.	X	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		
1.	2.		3.		4.		5.		6.		7.		8.		9.	10.	

Grammar Focus

In academic art writing, conditionals allow us to consider what in art history, what about an interpretation and what could happen in the future.

	1,	
		Conditionals
	Used for	Examples
1.	Zero Conditional (facts / general truths)	 <u>If</u> viewers <u>look</u> closely at the painting, details. <u>Do</u> pigments <u>fade</u> over time <u>if</u> they <u>are exposed</u> to light?
2.	First Conditional (real future possibility)	 If the gallery does not promote the show, fewer people will visit.
3.	Second Conditional (hypothetical / unreal present or future)	 <u>If</u> Van with digital media. <u>If</u> the gallery <u>were</u> larger, it <u>could display</u> more installations.
4.	Third Conditional (imaginary past / alternative history)	If would have lost a powerful symbol. If would have been forgotten.



Each sentence below has missing verbs. Complete the sentences with the correct conditionals using the prompts in brackets. **Note:** *one of the sentences needs the passive voice*.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	If visitors (study) the catalogue, they (understand) the exhibition better. (zero)	
2.	If the artist (experiment) with new audiences. (first)	
3.	If (host) an international show. (second)	
4.	more deeply, they (offer) richer interpretations. (third)	
5.	composition (zero)	

<u>Task 2</u> Each sentence below contains mistakes. Rewrite them correctly using the target grammar.

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	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	If the mural would be preserved, future generations will see it.	
2.	If , it would reaches a wider audience.	
3.	explore themes of gender and identity in new	
4.	If the gallery , it display.	
5.	If pigments is would	

Task 3

The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct conditional sentences.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	will / be / if / the exhibition / successful / critics / attend	
2.	had visitors / understood / would	
3.	uses/ shadows / creates	
4.	could / / works of art / larger	
5.	will / / it / audience/wider	



Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it.

1.	If the painting (is / were) destroyed, art history would be different.				
2.	If the museum will visit.				
3.	If the have written a deeper review.				
4.	If viewers hidden details.				
5.	If attend.				

Task 5

Read the paragraph and highlight all the conditionals in the following colours: zero, first, second and third.

If visitors	understand the symbolism more clearly,
which makes their experience richer. Conserva	if if
a fe	ew years. Space is also an issue: if the museum
were larger, it could host international retrospec	tives
history	be; if critics had supported abstract art
earlier, it would	sooner.

Task 6

Use the following notes to write about an art exhibition. Use 5-6 conditional sentences and link the ideas together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

	<u> </u>		
Visitors / read / catalogue →	understand influence	of British culture / explain	ed in detail
Curators / add /		more deeply / his sketche	es + letters
/ larger → display / m	ore landscapes + self-p	oortraits	000000000
Gogh /	200000000000000000000000000000000000000	/ reinterpret colour + mov	rement
Critics / support / lifetime -	exhibition / celebrate	ed	>>>>>>in
000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000		
	Curators / add / / larger → display / m Gogh /	Curators / add / / larger → display / more landscapes + self-p Gogh /	/ larger → display / more landscapes + self-portraits

write your paragraph nere		



Use the prompts in the table to write two short paragraphs (one for each scenario). In each paragraph, use at least two different conditional forms to imagine what might have happened.

Scenario A	Scenario	D B				
What if the during	What if	today?				
World War II?		,				
Write your pa	Write your paragraphs here					
Task 8						
This paragraph has FIVE errors with condition	als. Rewrite it correctly and	d improve the flow				
by adding appropriate linking words and phra	•					
If the artist will explore new materials, the		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX				
000000000000000000000000000000000000000	interactive elements, audie	ences would engage				
more actively with the artwork. If the show is su	pported	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX				
	and more carefully planned,	, the exhibition could				
showcase a wider range of works. If the organis		, it				
would	now be remembered	as a turning point in				
contemporary art.						
Rewrite the paragraph here						



Write a short paragraph about an artwork, exhibition or art movement. Your paragraph should include all four types of conditionals.

Write your paragraph here		

Task 10

Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Does the paragraph (zero,		
	first, second, third)?		
	Are verb forms accurate (e.g \rightarrow will + verb; If + past		
	$ $ simple \rightarrow $ $; If + had + past participle \rightarrow would have +		
	past participle)?		
2.	Content & Vocabulary		
	Does the ,		
	exhibition, critics, gallery, movement)?		
	Do the examples feel realistic, imaginative, or insightful in an art-		
	related context?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Does the separate		
	sentences)?		
	Are ideas linked with connectors (
	finally)?		
4.	Overall impression		
	One thing I liked about this paragraph:		
	One :		



English for Art: Mixed Grammar Review

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary Review

This activity revises some of the words that you studied in the previous units. They all connect to both art and the grammar structures you have studied.

Exercise

You will see 15 definitions from the vocabulary studied in the previous units. For each definition, write the correct word in the space provided.

	Definition		Word
1.	A large wall painting, often created in public spaces.	a.	
2.	A booklet exhibition.	b.	
3.	A three-space. for a particular	C.	
4.	A place where	d.	
5.	A three-dimensional artwork made such as stone, metal, or wood.	e.	
6.	An artworks.	f.	
7.	People who judge, analyse, and interpret works of art.	g.	
8.	An artist or 19th and 20th centuries.	h.	
9.	Public acknowledgement or appreciation of achievement.	i.	
10.	The ideas or concepts.	j.	
11.	Electronic or to create or share art.	k.	
12.	A group often by a gallery or museum.	I.	
13.	An artistic style or trend shared by a group of artists.	m.	
14.	To show audience.	n.	
15.	An art dreamlike or illogical imagery.	0.	

Grammar Focus

This review brings together key grammar areas you have studied: verb tenses, passive voice, relative clauses, modal verbs and conditionals. Each exercise focuses on art and exhibitions, helping you practise grammar in an academic context.





Each sentence below has missing words. Complete the sentences with the correct grammatical form using the prompts in brackets.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The mural (paint) in 1934 by an artist (who/which) later (inspire) many others.	
2.	The sculpture (admire) today by	
	(not / recognise) when it was first shown.	
3.		
	protest, although some critics suggest it	
4.	If critics (analyse) the exhibition carefully,	

	modern art.	
5.	If , it	
	(attract) younger audiences.	

Task 2 Fach sentence below contains TWO mistakes Rewrite

Each sentence below contains **TWO** mistakes. Rewrite them correctly using the most appropriate grammar.

	Sentence	Rewrite
1.	The exhibition, that opened last year, in abstract art.	
2.	If contemporary art would engage with diverse audience.	
3.	should provides more space for	
4.	Critics have supporting the movement, and	
5.	The the 1920s, are still displaying in the collection.	



The words in each sentence are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form correct sentences.

	Sentence	Reorder
1.	displayed / earlier / quickly / recognition /	
	gained/ mural / the / was / and	
2.	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	
	reactions / visitors / from	
3.	>>>>>>>	
	who / modernist / influential / movement /	
	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	
4.	restored / not / sculpture / the / had / critics /	
	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	
	have	
5.	includes /	
	the / be / more / accessible / the	

Task 4

Read each sentence carefully. Choose the correct option by highlighting or underlining it.

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1.	If pigments	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	quickly.	
2.	The Latin America.	200000000	0000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	artists across
3.	If the museum	XXXXXXXXXXXX	000000000000	(would have g	gained / will
4.	The installation (ca	an / must)	XXXXXXXXXXXX	CXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
	despair.				
5.	This is the	0000000000	>>>>>>	lat	test
	photography exhib	oition.			

Task 5

Read the paragraph. Illustrate examples of the following: different tenses, passive voice, relative clauses, modal verbs, and conditionals in the manner suggested,

The sculpture was created in 1920 by an artist wh	
of v	risitors every year. Some critics argue that the
figure might symbolise rebirth, although it could als	more
wil	understand the work more clearly. If critics
had recognised the piece earlier, it would have beer	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX





Use the notes to write a short critical reflection. Include at least one example of each	ch
grammar type (tense, passive, relative, modal, conditional).	

grammar type (tense, passive, relative, modal	Jse the notes to write a short critical reflection. Include at least one example of each									
grannina type (tense, passive, relative, modal	, conditional).									
 painting / create / 1911 / artist / who / ir 	fluential / Cubism									
• work /	Modernism									
 critics / argue / composition / symbolise 	/ urban life / reflect /									
• shapes /	/ modern city painting									
	ts / respond / challenges /									
·										
Write your paragraph here										
Task 7										
Use the prompts in the table to write two sho	rt naragraphs (one for each scenario). In each									
·	re paragraphs (one for each sechano). In each									
naragraph lise different grammatical structur	es and linking words to connect the ideas									
	es and linking words to connect the ideas.									
Scenario A	Scenario B									
Scenario A What	Scenario B Consider had									
Scenario A What destroyed?	Scenario B Consider had started two centuries earlier.									
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Scenario A What destroyed?	Scenario B Consider had started two centuries earlier.									

Task 8

This paragraph has **TEN** errors with grammar. Rewrite it correctly and improve the flow by adding appropriate linking words.

The Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark	the horrors of war. It display currently in
Madrid, but many people has already seen it in	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	suggest it represent hope. If the work exhibit
earlier, it will influence international opinion s	sooner.

Write your paragraph here	





Write a short paragraph about a piece of art, exhibition or art movement. Your paragraph should include all the grammatical structures you have studied: tenses, passives, relative
clauses, modals and conditionals.

<u>Task 10</u>
Use the following checklist to give some feedback to your partner.

	Check for the following:	Yes	No
1.	Grammar		
	Does the (tenses,		
	passives, relative clauses, modals, conditionals)?		
	Are verb forms accurate (e.g. <i>He was created</i> $X \rightarrow It$ <i>was</i>		
	created \checkmark ; may symbolises $X \rightarrow$ may symbolise \checkmark)?		
2.	Content & Vocabulary		
	Does , sculpture,		
	gallery, movement)?		
	Are key art-related terms (e.g. exhibition, mural, symbolism) used		
	correctly and naturally?		
3.	Clarity & Organisation		
	Does the)?		
	Are ideas linked with connectors (because, as a result, however,		
	finally)?		
4.	Overall impression		
			•
	One suggestion for improvement:		



English for Art: Present Simple (ANSWERS)

EXAMPLE

Vocabulary Preview

This activity introduces words that connect to both art and the present simple tense. You will use them to describe artworks and explain their features.

Exercise

Match the **TEN** words from this unit with the correct definition. Compare with a partner when you have finished.

	Vo	cabu	lary			Definition													
1.	Ga	llery		a.	A sl	A show of artworks presented to the public, usually for a limited ti											l time		
2.	Exl	hibitio	on	b.	Ар	A person who reviews or analyses works of art.													
3.	Syı	mboli	se	C.	A la	A large three-dimensional artwork made of stone or metal.													
4.	Cri	tic		d.	The	The arrangement of shapes, colours, or objects within an artwork.													
5.	Scı	ılptuı	re	e.	A b	A book or digital list that describes the artworks in an exhibition.													
6.	Со	mpos	ition	f.	Ар	A professional who organises exhibitions.													
7.	Ca	talogı	ue	g.	An	An experience that makes the audience feel deeply involved.													
8.	Cu	rator		h.	Art	Artwork created for a particular space.													
9.	Ins	tallat	lation i. A place where art is displayed to the public.																
10.	lm	Immersive j. To represent an idea or feeling through an image, object, or action.																	
1.	i	2.	а	3.	j	4.	b	5.	С	6.	d	7.	е	8.	f	9.	h	10.	g

Task 6

Use the notes to write a paragraph in the present simple. Write full sentences and link them together so the paragraph flows smoothly.

- Pop Art / emphasise / consumer culture / advertising / branding
- Andy Warhol / use / repetition / soup cans / Coca-Cola bottles
- His art / transform / everyday products → cultural icons
- His work / reflect / influence / mass media
- It / question / originality / authenticity/artistic value
- Critics argue / challenge / traditional values / invite reflection / consumer society

Write your paragraph here...

Pop Art emphasises consumer culture, highlighting the growing importance of advertising, branding, and mass production in modern life. Andy Warhol illustrates this through his repeated images of everyday objects, such as soup cans and soft drink bottles, which transform ordinary products into icons. His art reflects the influence of mass media, while also questioning ideas of originality, authenticity, and artistic value. Many critics argue that it not only challenges traditional values in art but also invites viewers to reflect on their own relationship with consumer society.

<u>ALL ANSWERS / SAMPLE WRITINGS INCLUDED IN PAID VERSION...</u>

