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MATURITA CARD | Culture and Art

A COMPARE AND CONTRAST

- Look at the pictures on the other side of this card. What does each picture show? What trends, themes or ideas do they represent? What is happening in each picture?
- Compare and contrast them. In what ways are they similar? In what ways are they different?
- How do these pictures make you feel? Do they remind you of anything from your own life and experience?

B ALL ABOUT YOU

- Is art important to you personally? Why or why not, and in what ways?
- Where do you encounter art in your life? How often do you go to exhibitions, galleries, events and arts festivals? Why? Talk about a recent experience. Where was it, and what did you see? Why did you go there?
- Do you ever make any kind of art yourself (including creative writing, music, digital art, etc.)? What do you make, and why? How do you work? What is your creative approach? Talk about a specific piece you have made.
- Can you think of any time you saw an artwork or other creative work when travelling? Describe it. What was it? Where was it? What impression did it make on you, and why?
- What art (including reproductions, posters, etc.) do you have at home? Why? Who chose it? Would you choose to have something different? Why or why not?
- Do you have a favourite artist or type of art? Who or what is it? Why do you value it? If you could have any art at home that you wanted, what would you have and why?

C SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

- Do you think art is important? Why or why not? What do you think is the purpose of art? What other purposes does it have, and why?
- In the last few years, several protest groups such as the climate activists Just Stop Oil have attacked artworks. What do you know about this and what are your views?
- What do you think about street art and graffiti?
- Art generated using AI has become much better and much more popular in the past couple of years. What do you think about it? Why?

D WHAT IS....?

Give a definition of each of these terms.

- street art
- performance art
- composition
- primary colours
- creativity
- curator
- generative AI
- art movement
- creative technique
- plagiarism
- kitsch
- pop-up exhibition
- art auction

E QUOTE, UNQUOTE

"Art is the stored honey of the human soul."
Theodore Dreiser

"If my art has nothing to do with people's pain and sorrow, what is 'art' for?"
Ai Weiwei

"Art is meant to disturb, science reassures."
Georges Braque

"The role of the artist is that of the soldier of the revolution."
Nadya Tolokonnikova

"Generative AI is the most powerful tool for creativity that has ever been created."
Elon Musk

"Art and culture are essential to what it means to be human, yet digital abundance has diminished our sense of their worth."
Astra Taylor

"I want AI to do my laundry and dishes so that I can do art and writing, not for AI to do my art and writing so that I can do my laundry and dishes."
Joanna Maciejewska

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once one grows up."
Pablo Picasso

"A work of art which isn't based on feeling isn't art at all."
Paul Cézanne