

Knowledge Organiser - Banksy (Y6)

Vocabulary

Graffiti	Writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place.
Vandalism	Action involving deliberate destruction of or damage to public or private property.
Brandalism	A revolt against the corporate control of culture and space.
Expression	The conveying of feeling in a work of art or in the performance of a piece of music.
Exhibition	A public display of works of art or items of interest, held in an art gallery or museum or at a trade fair.
Anonymous	Not identified by name; of unknown name.
Spray Paint	Paint held in in aerosol can for spraying on to a surface.



Banksy is thought to be from Bristol, UK, where his first works appeared. Some sources suggest that he was born between 1973 & 1974.

Biography

- Banksy is a British graffiti-artist and political activist, active since the 1990s.
- Banksy chooses to remain anonymous – he does not let people know his true identity.
- His most famous works include Balloon Girl (2002), Devolved Parliament (2009) and Mobile Lovers (2014).
- Banksy works often appear in high visibility places, such as on buildings or train stations.
- His works are often about war, politics, suffering and society. He uses satire and dark humour to get across his important messages.
- Banksy's work is done using stencilling technique.

Styles and Techniques

Street Art	<p>Banksy is best known as a street artist. Street art is a type of visual art which is made in public locations, for example buildings, bridges and stations. Other names for this type of art include 'independent public, post-graffiti, guerilla art.'</p> <p>Common forms include spray-paint graffiti and stencil graffiti, for which Banksy is particularly famed. Street art is often composed to make a public statement about the society that the artist lives in. Banksy has been particularly outspoken on politics, inequalities, war and social problems within his works.</p> <p>Banksy's type of street art is legally considered as vandalism, and the artist can be prosecuted. It is thought that this is why he opted to begin using stencils (for speed, to enable his escape, should he need to!) His stencils are thought to be multilayered and (often) computer generated. Banksy has become so famous that his illegal graffiti is often treasured (and has sold for thousands) by building owners.</p>	
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Balloon Girl 2002



Developed Parliament 2009



Mobile Lovers 2014

How do I produce artwork like Banksy?

Step 2: Use your paper plate to create your stencil. Draw your shape/s accurately.

Step 1: Paint your cardboard in grey paint, to make it look like a wall (you could add black/ white 'splatters' for effect).

Things you'll need:
Cardboard, paint, paper plate, scissors, pencil, modelling clay.

Step 3: Carefully cut the stencil shape/s out of the paper plate. Begin by putting your pencil through the plate (with modelling clay behind).



A child's Banksy-inspired stencil painting.

Step 4: Holding the paper plate in place over your cardboard, paint in black through the stencil. Dab with your brush to avoid missing any spots.

Step 5: Remove the paper plate stencil – you should now have a black silhouette of your shape. Just add white/grey for shading and final details.

Timeline Turner's Life

1973-1974	Early 1990s	Late 1990's	2002	Early 2000s	2004	2006	2010	2015	October 2018
Banksy is believed to have been born in Bristol.	His graffiti work begins appearing around Bristol, UK.	Banksy moves to London. His work appears around the city.	Banksy's first exhibition in LA.	Banksy becomes a household name for his striking images and underlying social/political messages.	Creates spoof £10 notes with Princess Diana on front.	'Barely Legal' exhibition.	'Exit through the Gift Shop' film released – nominated for Oscar.	Opens Dismaland park in Weston-super-Mare.	Sold a Balloon Girl painting at auction, which self-shredded shortly after being auctioned.

'Art should comfort the disturbed and disturb the comfortable.'