



Featured Artist: Henri Matisse



Henri Matisse was born in France, and was the oldest son of a prosperous grain merchant. He initially studied law, and worked as a court administrator. In 1889, he developed appendicitis. While he was recovering, his mother brought him some art supplies and he began painting. His father was very disappointed when Henri decided to become an artist.

At first, Matisse painted in a traditional style. In 1896, he visited his artist friend John Peter Russell in France, where he was introduced to Impressionism, and to the work of Van Gogh. Matisse changed his style completely.

The Matisse Gallery



Above: The Snail 1953

"From the moment I held the box of colors in my hands, I knew this was my life. I threw myself into it like a beast that plunges towards the thing it loves"

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Texture	The different feel or look of a material. Is it rough, smooth, bumpy etc.
Collage	When various materials of different colours and textures are stuck on to paper to create a picture.
Shape	An element of art that is two-dimensional, flat, or limited to height and width.
Form	the overall form taken by the work – its physical nature.
Pattern	A pattern is a design in which lines, shapes, forms or colours are repeated. Patterns can be regular or irregular.
Mosaic	A mosaic is a picture made up of small parts which are traditionally tiny tiles made out of terracotta, pieces of glass, ceramics or marble and usually inlaid into floors and walls.
Tessellation	A pattern made with polygons (a shape with three or more sides) that completely fills a space with no gaps, spaces or overlaps.



# Skills

Select colours, materials and arrange them to create an effect.



Use Tessellation



To chose different textured paper for purpose.



To be able to overlap



Sort materials for different purposes. E.G. colour, textures.



Let your imagination run wild.

Sketch your design before you start.

Overlap your materials to fill in space.

## Top Tips For Making A Collage

Rip and tear materials to create new textures.

Don't use too much glue. This will make your collage soggy.

Repeat colours to create patterns.



Watch an artist create a landscape collage.