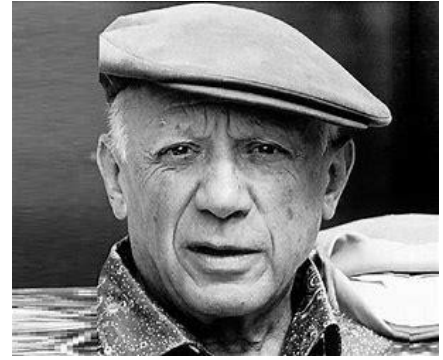




PABLO PICASSO



EARLY LIFE

Pablo Picasso was born on 25th October 1881 in Málaga, Spain. He grew up in a family of artists. His father, José Ruiz Blasco, was a painter and a teacher at an art school. From a young age, Picasso showed a great talent for drawing, and by the age of seven, he was already learning to paint with his father.

BECOMING A MASTER

As Picasso grew older, he continued to study art. He went to various art schools, including the prestigious Royal Academy of San Fernando in Madrid. He was a very hard-working student and quickly developed his own style of painting. His early work was realistic, but as he got older, he started to experiment with new ways of painting.

THE BLUE PERIOD

During a difficult time in his life, Picasso entered what is known as his "Blue Period" (1901-1904). This was a time when he mostly painted in shades of blue and green. His paintings often showed sad or lonely figures. Many of the subjects were poor people or those who were suffering.

THE ROSE PERIOD

After the Blue Period, Picasso moved on to the "Rose Period" (1904-1906). His work became lighter and warmer, with the use of more pinks and oranges. During this time, he painted circus performers, acrobats, and other joyful figures. These paintings reflected a more hopeful and happier time in his life.

CUBISM

In the early 1900s, Picasso, along with another artist named Georges Braque, developed a new way of painting called Cubism. Cubism was different from anything that had been seen before. Instead of painting things in a realistic way, they painted objects from many different angles at once. This made the objects appear broken up or "cubed," which is how the style got its name. It was a very exciting and creative time in the art world.

LATER LIFE AND LEGACY

Throughout his life, Picasso never stopped experimenting with art. He painted, sculpted, and even created ceramics. He lived in many different countries, including France, and worked until his death on 8th April



1973 at the age of 91. Picasso is remembered as one of the most influential artists of the 20th century, and his work can be seen in museums all over the world.

FUN FACTS

1. Picasso could draw before he could talk.
2. He created over 20,000 works of art during his lifetime.
3. Picasso was also known for his love of animals, especially dogs and pigeons.
4. His famous painting *Guernica* was created as a response to a bombing in Spain during the Spanish Civil War. It is one of his most well-known works.

Picasso's work changed the way people thought about art and continues to inspire new generations of artists today.

FIND OUT MORE...

Facts about Pablo Picasso

EXAMPLE QUESTIONS:

1. Where was Pablo Picasso born, and what date was he born on?
2. What was the name of the period when Picasso painted in shades of blue and green, focusing on sad or lonely figures?
3. Who did Picasso collaborate with to develop the style of painting known as Cubism?
4. How did Picasso's "Rose Period" differ from his "Blue Period" in terms of colours and themes?
5. What is one of Picasso's most famous paintings, created as a response to a bombing during the Spanish Civil War?