



## FAMOUS ARTIST STUDY



# VINCENT VAN GOGH

1853–1890

Dutch Post-Impressionist Painter



The Starry Night, 1889

### FUN FACTS

- ★ Vincent van Gogh was born in the Netherlands.
- ★ He loved painting nature, stars, sunflowers and everyday life.
- ★ He used thick, swirly brushstrokes and bright colours in his paintings.
- ★ Van Gogh painted over 2,000 artworks in his lifetime!
- ★ His paintings are loved by people all over the world.



### WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

Look at The Starry Night.  
What can you see?



What colours can you see?

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How does this artwork make you feel?

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What shapes or patterns do you notice?

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What brushstrokes can you see?

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What do you think is happening in this painting?

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### CREATE YOUR OWN!

Create your own starry night sky inspired by Van Gogh!

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Draw a big swirling sky with stars and a moon.

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Use lots of blues, purples and yellows.

3



Make swirly lines and thick brushstrokes.

4



Add a village or houses at the bottom.

5



Be creative and make it your own masterpiece!



Art is about expressing yourself.  
There are no mistakes—just creativity!



### LET'S TALK!

- ★ If you could ask Van Gogh one question, what would you ask?
- ★ Which part of his artwork is your favourite? Why?

