

## Notes for teachers

### National curriculum links

- Art and Design

### About this session

Students use the Museum's galleries for inspiration and design their own printing tile before creating a print.

**Location** Clore Centre for Education and galleries

**Format** group work, art activity

**Capacity** 32 students

**Duration** 180 minutes and a 30-minute lunch break

**Price** £60

**Note:** Students must wash their hands prior to and after the session as they'll be handling objects.

### In detail

- Students discuss the different techniques that can be used by an artist to create a picture (e.g. painting, drawing, collage). We introduce to the technique of printing.
- Students think about how artists collect inspiration. Using objects, the students consider what lines, shapes and patterns could inspire them to create their own piece of art.
- Students then go to the Museum galleries to collect inspiration from the objects on display.
- Back in the museum classroom the students review their inspiration sheets and draw the design on to their tile. They inscribe the design into the surface of the tile with a pencil.
- After watching a printmaking demonstration, the students work in small groups to produce a printed picture with their tile.

### Before your visit

- Introduce/revise the key themes and vocabulary listed below.
- The students could think about what you would expect to find in a museum.
- Discuss different types of art techniques (for example drawing, painting, printing, stone sculpture, clay pottery) which the students have used or heard about.

### After your visit

- Back at school the students can continue to print with their printing tiles to create either individual or group art pieces.
- Involve the students in preparing their work for presentation (trimming, mounting, labelling etc) and create a classroom exhibition of their work. Invite another class or parents to come and view the exhibition.

## Find out more

- [More EYFS & KS1 sessions](#)
- Take a look at the galleries with [Google Street View](#) and search the [collection online](#)

## Visit notes for students and adult helpers

You can print this summary sheet and take it with you during your visit.

### Learning objectives

- To use objects to collect inspiration
- To design a printing tile
- To make a print

### Key words

Art

Artist

Museum object

Inspiration

Tile

Design

Print

Printing

### Collecting inspiration

- Students begin by thinking about the different ways that an artist can use to create a picture.
- Students visit the Museum galleries and look at the objects on display to help them collect inspiration for their own artwork.

### Designing a printing tile

- Students choose one of the ideas they collected in the gallery to create a design for their printing tile.
- Students draw the final design onto their tile and then inscribe the design into the surface of the tile ready for printing.

### Making a print

- Students watch a demonstration of how to print with a printing tile.
- Next the students use their own tile to create a printed picture.
- The students look at the finished prints before all the printing tiles and printed artworks are gathered together to go back to school.