

Questions

1. Do you like art?
2. Do you want to be an artist?
3. Do you have any artwork in your house?
4. Do you like visiting museums and art galleries?
5. Have you ever visited an art gallery?

Please Note:

Our model answers teach you useful language and give you ideas. However, it is not a good idea to try and memorise them and repeat them in the IELTS exam.

I'm a massive fan of = I love

I'm mildly interested in it = I quite like it

to be aware of = to know about

works of art = a painting, sculpture, poem, piece of music etc.

the great masters = the greatest artists

The Mona Lisa = a famous artwork by Leonardo Da Vinci

I'm ashamed to say = I'm embarrassed to say = I feel uncomfortable saying this

to be ignorant about = to lack knowledge; to not know much about

1. Do you like art?

I wouldn't say **I'm a massive fan of** art, but **I'm mildly interested in it**. I'm aware of famous **works of art** such as those by **the great masters** like the Mona Lisa. **I'm ashamed to say**, I'm a bit **ignorant about art**.



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not in the slightest = not at all

to aspire to do something = to want something very much or hope to achieve something or be successful

sadly = unfortunately

to be blessed with = to have something that you feel is special or lucky

absolutely rubbish = very bad

2. Do you want to be an artist?

No, **not in the slightest**. It's definitely not something **I aspire to be**. **Sadly, I'm not blessed with** any artistic skill. I used to do it in school but I was **absolutely rubbish**.



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BAD!

Not a great deal = not much

original artwork = the first one that the artist created – not a copy or a print

to invest in = to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make more money

a priority = a thing that is important

the current economic climate = the general condition of the economy in a country or in the world

3. Do you have any artwork in your house?

Not a great deal. I don't have any **original artwork**, but I have some art prints and posters. Possibly, at some point in the future, I might **invest in** an original painting, but it's not **a priority in the current economic climate.**



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As a rule = usually

To holiday = to have a holiday

To pay a visit = to visit

To wander around = to walk slowly

To soak up the atmosphere = to enjoy the feeling

4. Do you like visiting museums and art galleries?

As a rule, no, but if **I'm holidaying** somewhere where there is a famous museum or gallery, then **I'll often pay a visit**. I like **wandering around** for a couple of hours and **soaking up the atmosphere**.



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I'm not entirely sure = I don't know

a while ago = the time is unspecified but a long time before now

spectacular = amazing; wonderful

5. When was the last time you visited a museum/art gallery?

Oh, **I'm not entirely sure**, it was **a while ago**. It might have been when **I was travelling** around Italy and I went to the Uffizi in Florence. It is a **spectacular** place.



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WOW!
WONDERFUL!
AMAZING