

THE ARTS

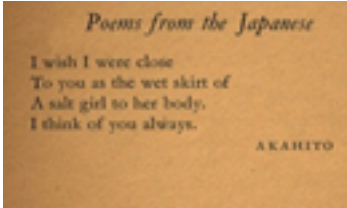
What comes to mind when you hear the words “the arts”?

DEFINITION

The **arts** refer to various forms of art such as painting, music, films, theatre, and dance taken together.

STARTER

The following pictures show some of the different forms of arts. Can you name each of them?



Are you interested in any of these? Which ones are you good at? Can you name some other forms of art that you are familiar with?

LANGUAGE POINT

The Conjunctions: **AND** vs. **BUT**

- used to join two sentences

AND

- used to express addition; similar statements

Example: I bought a book and I read it all night.

BUT

- used to connect opposing ideas

Example: I rushed to answer the phone, but there's no one on the line.

to be + **GOOD AT / GOOD IN / GOOD WITH**

- used to express that one is competent, skilled or clever at something (action, goal, etc.)

to be + **good at + activity** (verb -ing)/subject

Example: Mike is good at soccer.

Lisa is good at English.

to be + **good in + location** (where an activity is typically done)

Example: He is good in the field. (field where in soccer, football, etc. is typically played)

to be + **good with + skill** (expressing competency)

Example: Jim is good with numbers. You should let him tutor your nephew.

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PRACTICE

Fill in the gaps with **good at**, **good in**, or **good with** to complete the sentence.

1. We need someone who is _____ painting.
2. I can't be a baby sitter. I'm not that _____ children.
3. I'm _____ the kitchen. I could concoct you anything.
4. Mark is really _____ money. He could be a millionaire in a year or two.
5. I'll be transferred to France this year. Fortunately, I'm _____ speaking French.

VOCABULARY

Identify the form of art being described in each sentence below. Choices are provided.

pottery epic chocolatiering poetry sculpting
architecture play winemaking filmmaking photography

_____ 1. Various materials such as clay, stone, wood etc. are shaped to form solid objects, for instance, statues. (Visual Arts)

_____ 2. It is written by a playwright and is acted out by actors on a theatre stage in front of an audience. (Literary Arts and Performing Arts)

_____ 3. The art of creating confectioneries from chocolate on a more professional level in comparison with a pastry chef.

_____ 4. It is a long story about past events that includes kings and queens, gods and goddesses, etc.. (Literary Arts/Literature)

_____ 5. The process of producing wine from grapes and other fruits. (Culinary Arts)

_____ 6. The art of taking photos and processing or developing them with the use of various tools. (Visual Arts)

_____ 7. The art of crafting objects such as pots, plates, cups, etc. out of clay. (Visual Arts)

_____ 8. A creative piece of writing using words with very emotional quality, sound and rhythm. (Literary Arts/Literature)

_____ 9. The art of creating and directing films. (Visual Arts)

_____ 10. The art of planning, designing and constructing buildings. (Visual Arts)

SPEAKING

What activities, subjects, are you good at? Why do you think you do well in these areas?

Is it/Are they inherited, learnt, etc.?

How important is it to be skilled at or to be knowledgeable about something?

If you were good at something (which you aren't good at right now), what would it/they be? Explain why?

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