

Georgia O'Keeffe

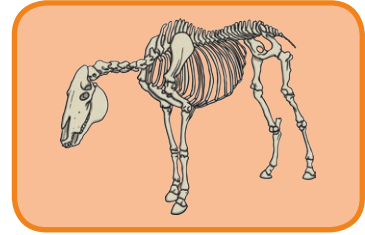
Georgia was a famous American artist. She painted:



flowers



buildings



animal bones

Early Life

Georgia was born on 15th November 1887. She lived on a farm. By the age of ten, Georgia wanted to be an artist.



Flowers

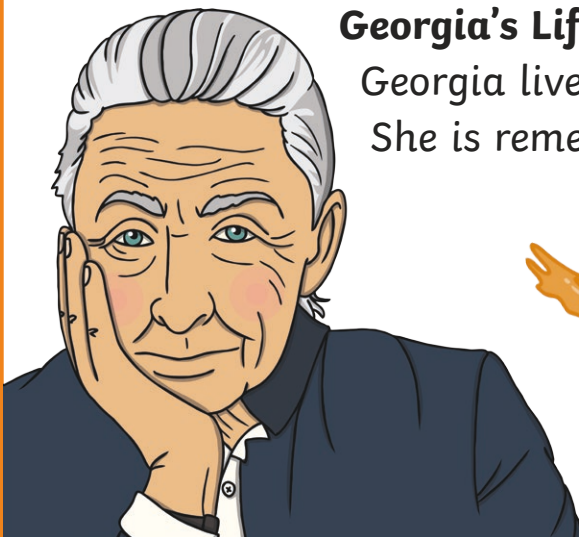
Georgia liked flowers so she painted lots of them. She painted them in a new way. Her flowers were big and bright. Lots of people wanted to buy her paintings.

Buildings

Georgia lived in a busy city called New York and she liked the tall buildings there. She painted big skyscrapers and people liked these paintings too.

Georgia's Life

Georgia lived until she was 98 years old!
She is remembered as a great American artist.



Questions

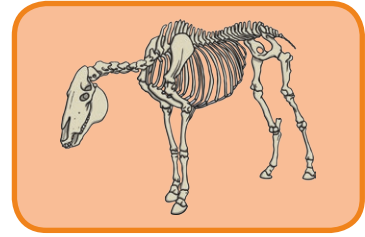
1. Which of these things did Georgia paint? Tick **two**.
 - ☐ buildings
 - ☐ cars
 - ☐ animal bones
2. Where did Georgia live when she was a child? Tick **one**.
 - ☐ a city
 - ☐ a town
 - ☐ a farm
3. Georgia painted flowers in a _____ way.
Tick one word to complete the sentence.
 - ☐ old
 - ☐ new
 - ☐ funny
4. What size were Georgia's paintings? Tick **one**.
 - ☐ small
 - ☐ medium
 - ☐ big
5. How long did Georgia live for? Tick **one**.
 - ☐ 68
 - ☐ 98
 - ☐ 89

Answers

1. Which of these things did Georgia paint? Tick **two**.
 - ☒ **buildings**
 - ☐ cars
 - ☒ **animal bones**
2. Where did Georgia live when she was a child? Tick **one**.
 - ☐ a city
 - ☐ a town
 - ☒ **a farm**
3. Georgia painted flowers in a _____ way.
Tick one word to complete the sentence.
 - ☐ old
 - ☒ **new**
 - ☐ funny
4. What size were Georgia's paintings? Tick **one**.
 - ☐ small
 - ☐ medium
 - ☒ **big**
5. How long did Georgia live for? Tick **one**.
 - ☐ 68
 - ☒ **98**
 - ☐ 89

Georgia O'Keeffe

Georgia was a famous American artist. She is known for her paintings of flowers and animal bones.



Early Life

Georgia was born on 15th November 1887 on a farm in America. She was one of seven children. By the age of ten, Georgia knew that she wanted to be an artist. Her mum, Ida, helped her by sending her to art lessons.

Georgia went to art school in Chicago and had her first gallery show in 1916. It was hard being a woman painter at this time because most famous artists were men.

Flower Paintings

Georgia began painting in a different way. She painted flowers. It made people look at them in a new way. She used oil paints in bright, bold colours. She made her paintings very big. Her paintings became popular.



New Mexico Paintings

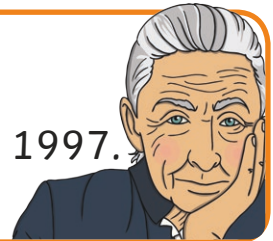
In 1929, Georgia visited New Mexico. She liked the unusual light, rocks and animal bones she found there. She started painting in New Mexico and these paintings became as famous as her flowers.

How She Is Remembered

Georgia lived until she was 98 years old! She painted thousands of paintings and she is remembered as one of the greatest American artists.

Did You Know...?

The Georgia O'Keeffe Museum opened in Santa Fe in 1997.



Questions

1. What is Georgia known for painting? Tick **two**.

- ☐ flowers
- ☐ faces
- ☐ animal bones

2. Number these events in Georgia's life in the order they happened.
The first one has been done for you.

- ☐ Georgia knew she wanted to be an artist.
- ☐ Georgia went to New Mexico.
- ☒ **1** Georgia was born on November 15th 1887.
- ☐ Georgia went to art school in Chicago.

3. Draw lines to complete these sentences about Georgia.

Georgia painted in a...

light, rocks and bones in
New Mexico.

It was hard being...

new and different way.

Georgia liked the...

a woman painter at
this time.

4. Find and copy **two** words that describe the colours in Georgia's paintings.

5. How is Georgia remembered?

Answers

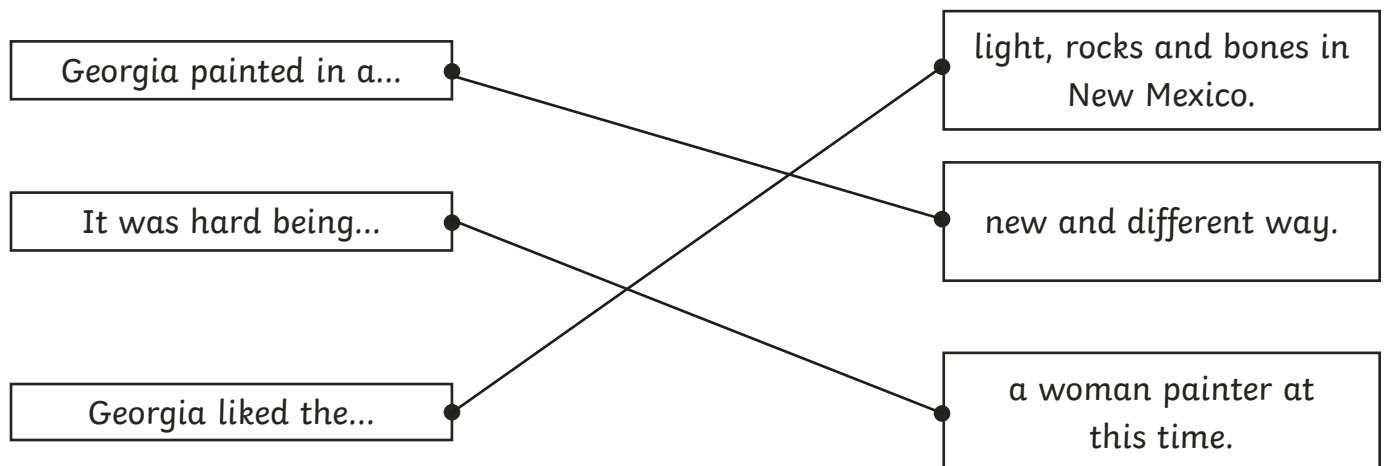
1. What is Georgia known for painting? Tick **two**.

- ☒ **flowers**
- ☐ faces
- ☒ **animal bones**

2. Number these events in Georgia's life in the order they happened.
The first one has been done for you.

- ☐ 2 Georgia knew she wanted to be an artist.
- ☐ 4 Georgia went to New Mexico.
- ☒ 1 Georgia was born on November 15th 1887.
- ☐ 3 Georgia went to art school in Chicago.

3. Draw lines to complete these sentences about Georgia.



4. Find and copy two words that describe the colours in Georgia's paintings.

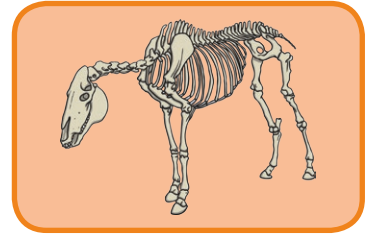
bright
bold

5. How is Georgia remembered?

Georgia is remembered as one of the greatest American artists.

Georgia O'Keeffe

Georgia was a famous American artist who is best known for her amazing paintings of flowers, skyscrapers and animal skulls.



Early Life

Georgia was born on 15th November 1887 on a farm in Wisconsin, USA. She was one of seven children and her parents were both farmers. By the age of ten, Georgia knew that she wanted to become an artist. Her mum, Ida, encouraged Georgia by sending her to art lessons, even though they were expensive.

Georgia went to art school in Chicago and had her first gallery show in 1916. It was difficult being a woman painter at this time. Most famous artists were men and some people didn't think women could be serious artists.

Flowers

Georgia began painting in a different way. Instead of painting the whole flower from far away, she painted it close up and people began to see flowers in a new way. This style was called **abstract**.

She used oil paints in vivid, bold colours and she painted on huge canvases. Her paintings became very popular and she became successful.



New Mexico Paintings

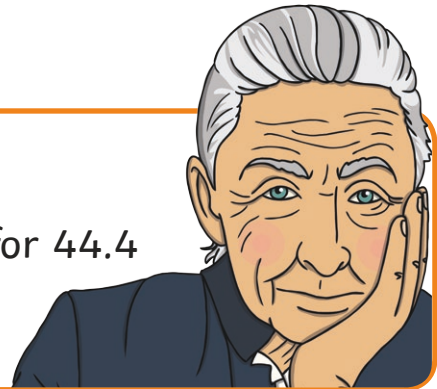
In 1929, Georgia visited New Mexico and was amazed by the wide, open landscape. She liked the unusual light, rocks and animal bones she found there. She began painting landscapes and objects in New Mexico and these paintings added to her success.

How She Is Remembered

Sadly, Georgia began to lose her eyesight and she painted her last piece in 1972. Georgia lived until she was an amazing 98 years old! During her life, she painted thousands of paintings that have been shown all over the world. She is now remembered as one of the greatest American artists. The Georgia O'Keeffe Museum opened in Santa Fe in 1997.

Did You Know...?

In 2014, one of Georgia's paintings sold for 44.4 million dollars (28.8 million pounds)!



Questions

1. Where did Georgia go in 1929? Tick **one**.

- ☐ New York
- ☐ New Mexico
- ☐ Wisconsin

2. Number these events in Georgia's life 1-4 in the order they happened.

- ☐ Georgia went to art school in Chicago.
- ☐ Georgia began to lose her eyesight.
- ☐ Georgia became a successful artist.
- ☐ Georgia was born on November 15th 1887.

3. How did Georgia's mum encourage her?

4. Find and copy the word used to describe Georgia's style of painting.

5. Why was it difficult being a woman painter at this time?

6. What do you think was Georgia's greatest achievement? Give two reasons for your answer.

Answers

1. Where did Georgia go in 1929? Tick **one**.

- ☐ New York
- ☒ **New Mexico**
- ☐ Wisconsin

2. Number these events in Georgia's life 1-4 in the order they happened.

- 2** Georgia went to art school in Chicago.
- 4** Georgia began to lose her eyesight.
- 3** Georgia became a successful artist.
- 1** Georgia was born on November 15th 1887.

3. How did Georgia's mum encourage her?

Georgia's mum encouraged her by sending her to art lessons.

4. Find and copy the word used to describe Georgia's style of painting.

abstract

5. Why was it difficult being a woman painter at this time?

Pupils' own responses, such as: It was difficult being a woman painter at this time because most famous artists were men and some people didn't think women could be serious artists.

6. What do you think was Georgia's greatest achievement? Give two reasons for your answer.

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think Georgia's greatest achievement was painting thousands of paintings that have been shown all over the world because she must have worked very hard to paint that many and some people thought she couldn't do it.