

Super English



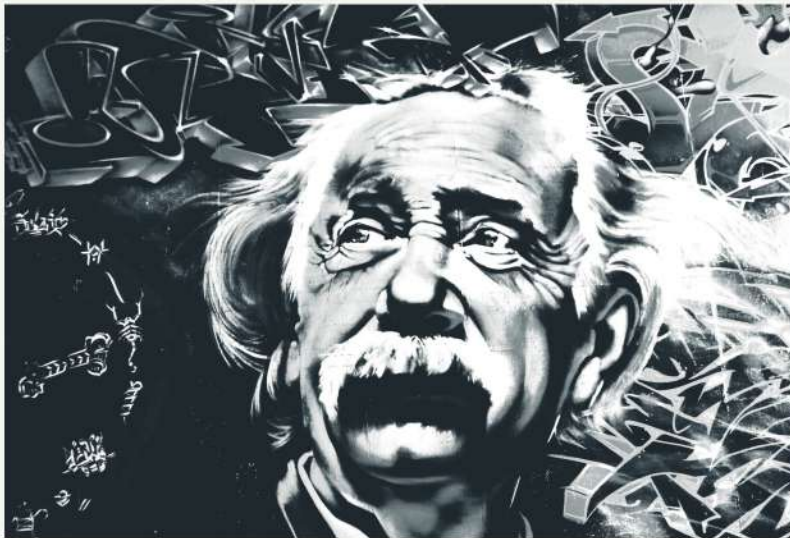
Unit 13 - Lesson 1 - Famous Artists

Vocabulary

The word "English!" is written in a colorful, hand-drawn style on a white background. The letters are: 'E' (purple), 'n' (orange), 'g' (blue), 'l' (purple), 'i' (red), 's' (green), 'h' (blue), and an exclamation mark (blue). Below the word, there are two thick, parallel purple strokes. A hand holding a purple marker is visible on the right side, with the tip of the marker pointing towards the word.

Artists - Vocabulary

polymath: (n) a person who has knowledge about many different subjects



Albert Einstein, a **polymath**, was known for his knowledge in physics, philosophy, and music.

Artists - Vocabulary

mural: (n) a large painting that is done directly on a wall or ceiling



The artist spent weeks working on the elaborate **mural** that covered the school's exterior wall.

Artists - Vocabulary

deteriorate: (v) to become worse in quality over time



The condition of the old house began to **deteriorate** after being left vacant for several years.

Artists - Vocabulary

realistic: (adj) something that appears or seems very much like the real thing



The movie's special effects were so **realistic** that it felt like we were in the future.

Reading



The Ultimate Multitasker: Leonardo da Vinci

Imagine being so **talented** that you're not just an artist, but also a scientist, inventor, and writer. Sounds like a superhero **origin** story, right? Well, meet Leonardo da Vinci — the original **polymath**. Born in Italy over 500 years ago, Leonardo was obsessed with learning. He sketched ideas for inventions, studied science, and painted **masterpieces**. Basically, he was the guy who made everyone else look lazy. His curiosity never stopped, and that's what made him legendary.



1. What made Leonardo different from most people?
2. Which of Leonardo's talents would you want to have? Why?

A Wall That Told a Story



1. Why did the mural start to deteriorate?
2. Would you like to see murals painted on building walls in your city?

One of Leonardo's greatest works is the **mural** The Last Supper. It shows the dramatic moment when Jesus tells his **disciples** that one of them will **betray** him. Instead of using wet plaster, Leonardo painted directly on a dry wall so he could change details easily. Cool idea, right? Unfortunately, that caused the mural to **deteriorate** over time. Luckily, art experts carefully restored it, and today it remains one of the most **admired** paintings in the entire world.

Grammar



Passive Voice With Get

We usually use the **'be' verb + past participle** to form the passive voice.

He **was** kicked off the team.

The house **was** damaged in a fire.



However, with many passive sentences, we can also use **'get'** instead of the 'be' verb.

He **got** kicked off the team.

The house **got** damaged in a fire.



Let's Talk!



Dialogue 1 – The Art Project Disaster

Liam: Ugh, my art project totally fell apart. Literally. It's all over the floor.

Maya: Maybe Leonardo da Vinci had days like that too. Genius doesn't mean perfect.

Liam: Yeah, but I doubt he glued his hands to the table.

Maya: True, but he made his mural deteriorate, remember? Even legends mess up.

Liam: Fair point. So I'm basically a genius in progress?

Maya: Exactly. Failure is just step one of creativity.

Question: Do you think mistakes help people become more creative?

Unlocking Word Parts



Prefix "anti"

The prefix **anti** means "**against**" or "**opposite**."

Antibacterial: It works against bacteria.

Antivirus: This refers to software that protects your computer against viruses.

Antifreeze: A liquid that is added to the water in an engine to stop it from freezing in cold weather.

Antisocial: Opposed to the principles of social order, or behaving in a way that avoids social interaction.

See you next time!

