

ARTISTS IN FOCUS



Gainsborough
PROMINENT DRAUGHTSMAN

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITY SHEET



WHAT'S WRONG?

Circle the word in each grouping below that does not belong. Write the reason for your choice in the blank.
(The answer key is at the bottom of the page.)

1. Baroque, Rococo, England_____.
2. Portrait, Math, Landscape_____.
3. Thief, Llama, Suspect Sketch_____.
4. American Flag, Blue Boy, Gainsborough's Daughters_____.

Thomas Gainsborough was born in England in 1727 and died in 1788. During that time period, exciting things were happening in the Colonies. Make a pictorial timeline representing five to eight important events that happened in North America, during Gainsborough's lifetime. The timeline at the web address below the picture can help you get started on your research.



American History Timeline: <https://www.britannica.com/list/timeline-of-the-american-revolution>

Answer Key: 1. England-England is not an art style; 2. Math-Math is not a type of painting; 3. Llama-No llama was in the story of the thief caught by Gainsborough's sketch; 4. American Flag-We do not know of any American Flags painted by Gainsborough.

COMPARE & CONTRAST

Create a Venn Diagram to compare and contrast the modern landscape by Scott Naismith with the landscape by Thomas Gainsborough.

- You can find a template for your diagram @ https://www.educationworld.com/tools_templates/venn_diagram_templates.shtml
- You can also learn more about creating and using Venn Diagrams @ <https://www.mathsisfun.com/sets/venn-diagrams.html>



UPCOMING EVENTS

Homeschool Days: Artist in Focus

- November 5, 7, and 8: Edgar Degas, Non-traditional Sculptor

Tour the Benjamin West Collection

- Friday, October 11 at 10 AM
- War Memorial Chapel, for adults and students (3rd-12th grade)
- Rarely open to the public, the War Memorial Chapel displays a monumental collection of paintings commissioned by King George III and painted by Pennsylvanian Benjamin West. Discover their significance in history!

Free Event



Tour the Bowen Collection of Antiquities

- Friday, October 11 at 2 PM
- M&G Lobby, for adults and students (K5-12th grade)
- History enthusiasts and pupils of archaeology will marvel again at the developments of ancient civilizations and their preserved practices by examining treasures in M&G's collection including Egyptian make-up from 332 BC, Roman lanterns from the second century, and a Hebrew baby rattle from 1300 BC.

Free Event

U. DAY: An Educational Street Fair

- Saturday, October 12 from 10AM-1:30PM
- Front Campus
- Explore dozens of fun, interactive booths on front campus during this family-friendly event. In addition to enjoying stations for food, face painting and cool hands-on science experiments, young artists will train as apprentices in the art of the Old Masters! Join an old-world artist's studio to expand your view of people and history!

Free Event

Educational Mission Statement

Through tours, events, and publications, the Museum & Gallery at Bob Jones University seeks to partner with educators in fulfilling all of the National Visual Arts Content Standards. By integrating art into the core curriculum, students learn to value the arts, to communicate through the arts, and to become creative problem solvers. M&G's individual STEAM lessons and fully-developed unit plans are designed to help students better understand history and culture in light of the arts, to improve their literary interest and understanding through visual storytelling, to hone their aesthetic perceptions and to enrich their analytical skills. Through this mission, M&G is privileged to inspire educators in the task of developing a community of citizens who have the ability to think, feel, and understand the world in which they live.