Art

Joseph Mallord William Turner

Turner was born in London in 1775 and died in 1851. He liked to draw and paint outside, which was unusual when Turner was alive because most artists painted inside. He drew and painted sunrises, sunsets, mist, rain and snow which is why he is sometimes called the ‘painter of light’. He mostly used watercolour (water-based paint) and painted landscapes. He is known as a Romantic artist. Romantic artists wanted to experience the beauty of nature.

Watercolour techniques

- Light to dark
- Bleed colours into one another
- Use salt to create texture

‘The Lake of Lucerne from Brunnen’ by Turner

KEY VOCABULARY

Continent:
A very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.

Country:
An area of land that is controlled by its own government.

England:
A country in the United Kingdom. Reading is a town in England.

Equator:
The imaginary line in the middle of the Earth midway between the North and South poles.

Expedition:
A journey made by a group of people or person with a specific goal.

Explorer:
A person who explores a new or unfamiliar place.

Island:
A piece of land that is completely surrounded by water.

Ocean:
One of the five very large areas of salt water on the Earth’s surface.

Southern Hemisphere:
The half sphere of Earth which is south of the equator.

Town:
A place where people live and work, usually larger than a village but smaller than a city.
History
In November 2011, 16 year old Amelia Hempleman-Adams became the youngest person ever to ski to the South Pole. She was part of an expedition with her father and 8 other people. It took them 14 days to ski 97 miles to the South Pole.

Geography
Antarctica is located at the South Pole and is surrounded by the Southern Ocean. Antarctica is the fifth largest continent based on its size, but it is the smallest in population.

The South Pole

Geography
Antarctica is one of seven continents. In order from largest to smallest, they are Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe, and Australia.

Where do I live?
The country we live in is called England. We live in Reading, which is a town in England. England is a country in the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland). Great Britain (England, Scotland, Wales) is an island—it is surrounded by seas:

- Irish Sea
- North Sea
- English Channel.