



Question: Who is Yayoi Kusama and what is her art style?

Prior knowledge	Key knowledge	Subsequent knowledge
Children will have been taught to experiment with colours. They will have used different techniques to create patterns e.g. painting, printing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To know who Yayoi Kusama was and that she created paintings made of dots. To be able to create dots using a range of techniques and media. To create art in the style of Yayoi Kusama. 	<p>To analyse existing artwork using art specific language.</p> <p>To recreate pattern for a wallpaper.</p> <p>To learn about pointillism.</p>

Significant Works	Styles and Techniques
 <p>'Pumpkin' (1990). Kusama had an obsession with pumpkins and enjoyed drawing them as a child. As an adult, she painted this in the style of traditional Japanese art.</p>	<p>Conceptual Art. This is a style of art in which artists are more interested in the IDEAS behind their art, than the finished piece.</p> <p>Abstract Expressionism. This is a style of art in which artists paint randomly and with emotion, as if they are in a dream.</p>
 <p>'Dots Obsession' (2003). This painting symbolises the visions that Kusama had as a child, where she felt that patterns were all around her.</p>	

Vocabulary	Meaning
Technique	A special way of doing something using special knowledge, skills and tools
Installation Art	Large scale art, often designed for a space or a period of time.
Japanese	Comes from Japan.
Polka Dots	Dots which Kusama says are a form of the sun (energy) and the moon (calm).
Sculpture	Three dimensional art, created out of stone, wood, clay or any other material!
Hallucinations	Seeing things that are not really there.
Collage	The process of finding, collecting, arranging and sticking different art materials.

