

## Art: Abstract Art

### Key Vocabulary

<b>Abstract Art</b>	Abstract art is art that does not attempt to represent an accurate depiction of a visual reality but instead use shapes, colours, forms and gestural marks to achieve its effect.
<b>Portrait</b>	A painting or photograph of a person, in which the face is predominant
<b>Landscape</b>	A painting or photograph of an area of land, water and space
<b>Foreground</b>	The part of a view that is nearest to the observer
<b>Background</b>	The part of view that is furthest from the observer and forms a setting for the main features.
<b>Primary Colours</b>	These are the main colours that can't be made by mixing other colours. They are red, blue, and yellow.
<b>Secondary Colours</b>	These colours are made by mixing two primary colours. For example, when you mix red and blue, you get purple. Mixing blue and yellow gives green, and mixing red and yellow gives orange.
<b>Tertiary Colours</b>	These colours come from mixing a primary colour with a neighboring secondary color on the wheel. They include shades like red-orange, yellow-green, and blue-violet.

### Did you know?

Did you know that Peter Thorpe once painted a spacesuit for a real-life astronaut? His colorful and imaginative artwork even traveled to space, making it one of the coolest art adventures ever!



### What is composition?

Composition in art is a term which refers to the arrangement of elements and subject matter in a piece of visual art, such as a painting, drawing, or sculpture. More generally, composition in any piece of artwork, including a piece of music or writing, means the way in which it has been put together or arranged.

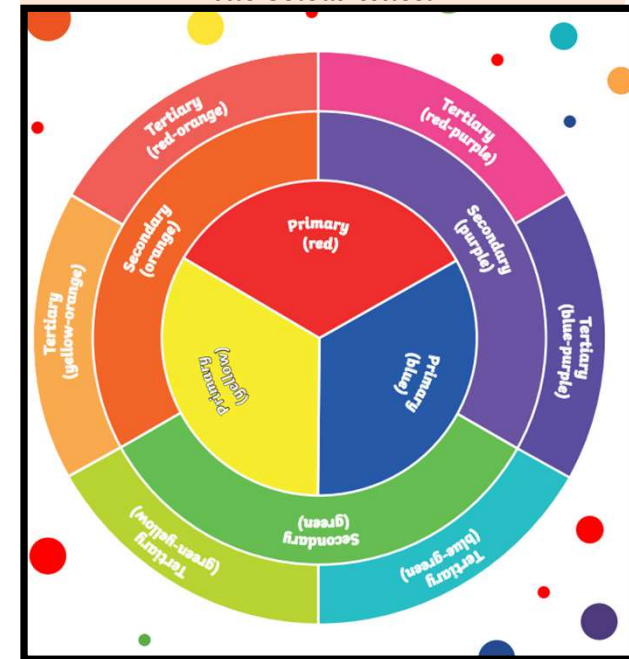
**Foreground:** In Peter Thorpe's paintings, the foreground is like the front of a stage in a play. It's where the main characters, like rockets and aliens, are really close and grab your attention. They're the stars of the show!

**Background:** Now, think of the background as the part of the stage that's far away. In Thorpe's art, it's where you find planets and other space things. They're not as close, but they make the whole picture interesting, like the background in a play setting the scene.



### General Knowledge

### The Colour Wheel



Peter Thorpe is a contemporary British artist known for his cosmic-themed paintings. **Born in 1963**, he studied graphic design before pursuing a career in art. Thorpe's imaginative works often feature vivid depictions of space, rockets, and extraterrestrial beings. His use of bold colors and textured elements creates visually engaging and whimsical compositions. Inspired by space exploration and scientific discoveries, Thorpe's art invites viewers to embark on a colorful journey through the wonders of the universe.