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EXTRA CLASSES - ELEMENTARY

Art – Vincent Van Gogh

1. Discuss with you teacher and your classmates:

a. Do you like art?

b. What kind of art do you like? (photograph, painting, pottery, sculpture)

c. Who's you your favorite painter/artist?

2. Match the vocabulary with the pictures:

Drawing	Painting	Photography	Pottery	Sculpture
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

3. Read the text about Vincent Van Gogh and complete with the past form of the verbs in parentheses:

Vincent Willem Van Gogh was born in Netherlands in 1853. He 1_____ (be) a Dutch post-impressionist painter who 2_____ (become) one of the most famous and influential figures in the history of Western Art.

He 3_____ (have) a difficult life because he suffered from mental illness. He never 4_____ (get) married. He 5_____ (not begin) to draw and paint seriously until he 6_____ (be) 27, and he died just ten years later.

In a decade Vincent created 2.100 art works including around 860 oil paintings most of which date from the last 2 years of his life. At first Van Gogh 7_____ (draw) poor people and used only dark colours. Later he 8_____ (go) to the south of France. He loved the sunlight there and his style of painting 9_____ (become) colourful and exciting.

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Unfortunately Van Gogh 10_____ (not be) commercially successful, he only 11_____ (sell) one painting before he died. He was often depressed and his mental illness turned for the worst. First, he 12_____ (cut) off part of his ear, and then in 1890, he 13_____ (shoot) himself.

4. Look at the pictures. Which ones are from Vincent Van Gogh:

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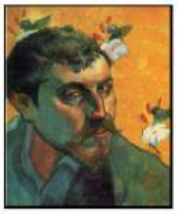

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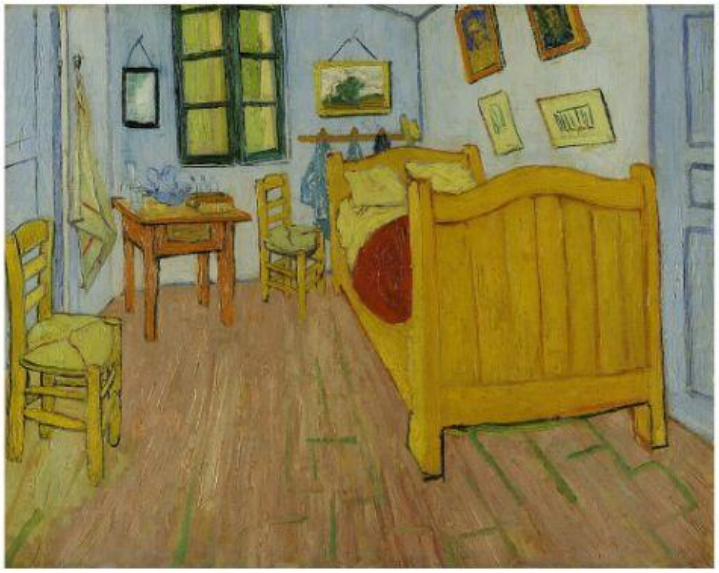
5. Look at the pictures, choose one of them and make a small description of it:

Picture 1 - ***The Starry Night ,1889***

Picture 2 - ***Bedroom in Arles, 1888***



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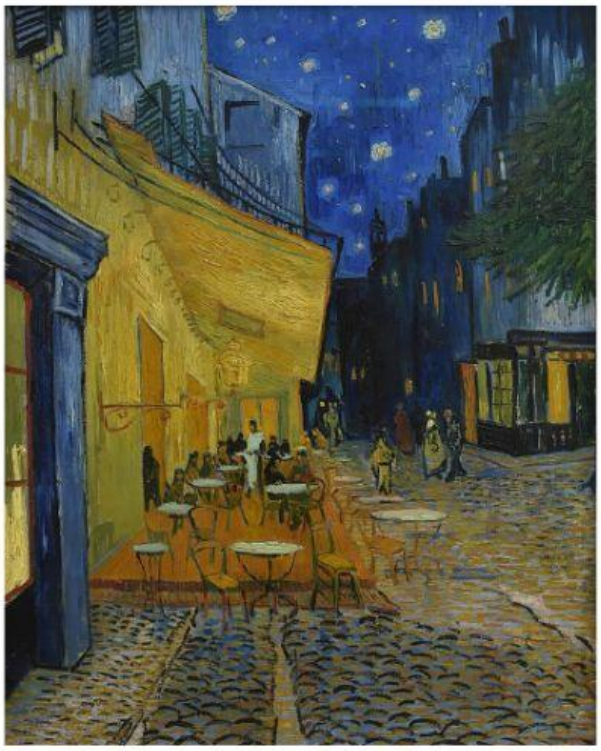
Picture 3 - ***Café Terrace at Night, 1888***



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