

The Mini-Monet

Read the text below and write one word that fits each gap.

Kieron Williamson is a very successful landscape painter. His paintings (1) _____ mostly depict the peaceful countryside around his home village in Eastern England, sell very well. Perhaps this shouldn't (2) _____ as that much of a surprise. It's a beautiful part of the world, and landscape paintings are always popular.

The strange thing about Kieron, however, (3) _____ that he is only seven years old. At a recent exhibition of his work, all the paintings were sold in half an hour, some for £100,000 each. Kieron now has fans all over the world, and has gained the nickname "the mini-Monet".

What's even (4) _____ surprising is that Kieron doesn't come from an artistic family, and only started painting two years (5) _____. He first got inspiration (6) _____ some boats he saw on holiday at the seaside. Kieron asked his parents if they (7) _____ buy him a sketch pad and pencils (8) _____ that he could draw them. Only when they saw (9) _____ well he drew did they realize that he was talented.

