DA VINCI

VOCABULARY CHECK:

Choose the best option to complete the definition of the words in bold.

1. A **canal** is a man-made **road / lake /river** that is used for transporting people or things.
2. A **portrait** is a picture showing a **beautiful view / story / person**.
3. A **sketch** is a **simple / small / colorful** drawing.
4. An **architect** is a person who **builds/ designs / sells** buildings.
5. An **invention** is a new idea or design for something that is **beautiful / useful / expensive**.
6. **Religious** ideas relate to what people believe **about / of / for** God or gods.

Match the words with their meanings.

accurate *curiosity* *imagination* *observation* *sensitive* *talented*

1. an interest in other people and the things around you: _____
2. being able to do something like painting or drawing easily and well: _____
3. correct, with no mistakes: _____
4. showing an understanding of how other people feel: _____
5. the act of looking at something carefully: _____
6. the act of making pictures in your mind or thinking about something in a creative way: _____

LISTENING CHECK:

You are going to listen to information about Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519). Listen to find matching pairs of items.

1. 20 2. 15 3. 1000s of 4. 500 5. 2	a. pages of sketches b. paintings that we know da Vinci painted c. years before his inventions became real d. years working for the Duke of Milan e. years working in France

Read the questions. Can you remember the answers? Listen again.

What painting did da Vinci create while he was working for the Duke of Milan?

1. _____

What did da Vinci believe was the most important thing an artist needed to learn?

2._____

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What was unusual about the way da Vinci wrote?

3. _____

What were three inventions that da Vinci sketched designs for?

4. _____

What sort of projects did da Vinci work on as an architect and engineer?

5. _____

Why did da Vinci move to France at the end of his life?

6. _____

LANGUAGE POINT:

When you learn new vocabulary, it's a good idea to learn the related forms in the word family. Study
the table below.

noun	verb	noun	adjective
imagination	imagine	accuracy	accurate
invention	invent	curiosity	curious
observation	observe	religion	religious
sketch	sketch	sensitivity	sensitive
		talent	talented

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words from the table.

1. It's not easy to write a completely _____ sentence in English!
2. Do you ever _____ what you will be doing in twenty years?
3. That young man has a great _____ for writing - I know he'll be successful.
4. I'd really like to _____ a door that you can open with your feet.
5. Most people are very _____ about life in other countries.
6. Some people don't go to church every week, but _____ is still important to them.
7. The scientists completed their _____ of the stars and wrote a report.
8. The doctor showed a lot of _____ when she was talking to us about our experiences.

TALKING POINT:

Read these three quotes from Leonardo da Vinci. Which one is your favorite and why?

"Learning never exhausts the mind."

"Art is never finished, only abandoned."

"It had long since come to my attention that people of accomplishment rarely sat back and let things happen to them. They went out and happened to things."

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