Pablo Picasso



Pablo Picasso drew pictures before he could talk. As a child, he sat happily with his paper and pencils and drew for hours. His father was a painter. He was very happy that his son liked to draw, but he did not know that one day Pablo would be one of the greatest artists in the world.

Pablo Picasso was born in 1881 in Malaga, Spain. He was a very bad student, and he hated school. Instead of studying, he drew pictures. When he was only eight years old, he finished his first oil painting. It had beautiful colours. Picasso never sold this painting.

When Pablo was 14, his family moved to Barcelona. He wanted to go to the school of Fine Arts. To get into the school, a student had to finish a painting in one month. Picasso finished his painting in one day.

When he was 18, Picasso went to live in Paris. He was very poor at first. He lived in a small room and painted with only the light of a candle. Sometimes he did not even have money for a candle. Pablo Picasso had a strong personality. He believed in himself. He created one piece of art after another. He met important people, and they began to buy his work. Finally, Picasso became rich and famous.

Picasso lived a long life. He never stopped working. He painted 200 pictures the year he was 90 years old. He was still working on the day he died at the age of 92. Picasso left the world a huge collection of art.

TASK 1: READ THE TEXT AND DECIDE IF EACH STATEMENT IS TRUE OR FALSE.

1. Picasso's father was an art teacher.	TRUE	FALSE
2. Picasso was born in Paris before he moved to Spain.	TRUE	FALSE
3. Picasso's first oil painting was sold for $1.000.000 in Paris.	TRUE	FALSE
4. Picasso finished his painting to be a student at the school of Fine Arts in one day only.	TRUE	FALSE
5. Picasso died when he was 90 years old.	TRUE	FALSE

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TASK 2: READ THE TEXT AGAIN AND FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH 1-3 WORDS FROM THE TEXT.

1. .....was the province in Spain where Picasso was born.
2. Picasso painted pictures instead of studying because he .....
3. With only the light of ....., Picasso created pieces of art in Paris.
4. People buying Picasso's paintings helped him become .....
5. Two years before his death, Picasso painted .....despite his age.

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