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On the 25th of October, 1881, a little boy was born in Malaga, Spain. It was a difficult birth. The baby couldn't breathe. Fortunately, this baby grew up to be one of the 20th century's greatest painters — Pablo Picasso.

Picasso showed his truly exceptional talent from a very young age. His first word was *lapiz* (*Spanish for pencil*) and he learned to draw before he could talk.

He was the only son in the family and very good-looking, so he was thoroughly spoilt. He hated school and often refused to go unless his doting parents allowed him to take one of his father's pet pigeons with him!

Apart from pigeons, his great love was art, and when in 1891 his father, who was an amateur artist, got a job as a drawing teacher at college, Pablo went with him to the college. He often watched his father painting and sometimes was allowed to help. One evening his father was painting a picture of their pigeons when he had to leave the room. He returned to find that Pablo had completed the picture, and it was so amazingly beautiful and lifelike that he gave his son his own palette and brushes and never painted again. Pablo was just 13.

From then onwards there was no stopping him. Many people realized that he was a genius but he disappointed those who wanted him to become a traditional painter. He was always breaking the rules of artistic tradition and shocked the public with his strange and powerful pictures. He is probably best known for his 'Cubist' pictures, which used only simple geometric shapes. His paintings of people were often made up of triangles and squares with their features in the wrong place. His work changed our ideas about art that is why to millions of people modern art means the work of Picasso.

Picasso died of heart failure on the 8th of April, 1973. The artist created over 6,000 paintings, drawings and sculptures. Today a «Picasso» costs several million pounds, which is not surprising.

32. What did Picasso show from a very young age?
A) a pencil B) a baby C) pigeons D) his talent ☐

33. Why did Picasso's father stop painting?
A) he lost his brushes B) he became a teacher
C) his son painted better than he D) he completed the picture ☐

34. When did Picasso begin painting without stopping?
A)1894 B) 1891 C) 1893 D) 1973 ☐

35. What did his work change?
A) art B) geometric shapes C) ideas about art D) the rules of art ☐

36. How old was Picasso when he died?
A) 73 B) 91 C) 81 D) 92 ☐

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