Art and literature

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE | A2-B1

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each branch of the arts with its meaning.

1 painting	____	a designing buildings
2 sculpture	____	b performing movements to music
3 architecture	____	c creating pictures with colour
4 pottery	____	d making objects from clay
5 poetry	____	e writing arranged in lines, often with rhythm
6 novel	____	f creating three-dimensional artworks
7 dance	____	g long fictional story
8 theatre	____	h live performance by actors

2 Complete the artist names with words from the box.

actor | **architect** | **dancer** | **novelist** | **painter** | **poet** | **potter** | **sculptor**

1 A person who paints pictures is a _____.

2 A person who makes statues is a _____.

3 A person who designs buildings is an _____.

4 A person who makes bowls from clay is a _____.

5 A person who writes poems is a _____.

6 A person who writes novels is a _____.

7 A person who performs movement to music is a _____.

8 A person who performs a role on stage is an _____.

3 Choose the correct art or literature term.

1 A painting of a person is a *portrait* / *landscape*.

2 A countryside scene is a *landscape* / *still life*.

3 A painting of fruit or flowers is a *still life* / *portrait*.

4 Shapes and colours rather than real objects form an *abstract* / *original* painting.

5 A work made by the artist is an *original* / *reproduction*.

6 The people in a story are its *characters* / *critics*.

7 The events of a story form its *plot* / *review*.

8 The time and place of a story are its *setting* / *series*.

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4 Complete the arts-centre guide with words from the box.

abstract paintings | architecture | landscapes | novels | portraits | pottery | sculpture | theatre

The ground-floor gallery displays **1** _____ of local people and **2** _____ of the surrounding hills. A modern room contains colourful **3** _____. Outside, visitors can see stone **4** _____. The craft studio offers **5** _____ classes. A talk explains the **6** _____ of the historic building. In the library, readers can borrow new **7** _____, and the evening programme includes live **8** _____.

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

Two young artists

Nina is a painter who mainly creates portraits. Her latest exhibition also includes two landscapes and one still life. She sells original paintings but offers cheaper reproductions too. Her brother Leon is a novelist. His first book has a historical setting and a mystery plot. It received positive reviews, and the main character will return in a second novel next year.

1 Nina mainly paints countryside scenes. T / F

2 Her exhibition contains three types of painting. T / F

3 She only sells reproductions. T / F

4 Leon writes novels. T / F

5 His story has a modern setting. T / F

6 The same main character will appear again. T / F

6 Match each literature word with its meaning.

1 critic	____	a group of connected books
2 review	____	b professional who evaluates books or art
3 bestseller	____	c popular book sold in large numbers
4 series	____	d written opinion about a work

OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** about a work of art or a book you know. Describe its type, creator, subject, setting or plot, and your opinion.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Name the art form accurately. [ ] Give a clear personal response.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Branches of the arts

1 **c** 2 **f** 3 **a** 4 **d** 5 **e** 6 **g** 7 **b** 8 **h**

2 Artists

1 **painter** 2 **sculptor** 3 **architect** 4 **potter** 5 **poet** 6 **novelist** 7 **dancer** 8 **actor**

3 Art and literature terms

1 **portrait** 2 **landscape** 3 **still life** 4 **abstract** 5 **original** 6 **characters** 7 **plot** 8 **setting**

4 Arts-centre guide

1 **portraits** 2 **landscapes** 3 **abstract paintings** 4 **sculpture** 5 **pottery** 6 **architecture** 7 **novels** 8 **theatre**

5 Reading

1 **F** - She mainly creates portraits.
2 **T**
3 **F** - She sells originals and reproductions.
4 **T**
5 **F** - It has a historical setting.
6 **T**

6 Literature words

1 **b** 2 **d** 3 **c** 4 **a**

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check accurate art forms, description and a clear personal response.