



The Thomas Hardy School  
**Summer Preparation Task**  
A Level History of Art

**Purpose of task:**

To start to think about how art can take many forms, and how it relates to popular culture, politics, art history, money and fame.

**Task:**

You should research Banksy and two of his works that you find particularly interesting. Make notes on:

- who he is and why he has tried to hide his identity;
- what you like/dislike about the 'artworks';
- whether you consider his work art or not;
- whether you think he is an artist or a celebrity;
- why you think his work has become famous;
- why you think his work is worth so much money.

A lot has been written about Banksy, so it is important to research key points, develop them and give your views.

Once you have researched these questions, we will need to see the notes set out in a coherent and formal way. They should be typed. Use the bullet points above as headings.

**Recommended resources:**

<https://mymodernmet.com/art-history-terms/>

See the website above which contains 20 Art History terms to help you skilfully describe a work of art.

Please learn them.

**Recommended reading & activities list:**

It would be **helpful** to read *The Shock of the New* by Robert Hughes. **This is not essential, though.**

**Required Stationery and Equipment**

Leaver Arch File; lined paper and dividers.

**Deadline for Task:** First lesson in week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021