A collage of portraits of men

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Have you ever seen a painting with swirly stars, bright yellow sunflowers, or a colourful field? If so, you might have seen a masterpiece by Vincent Van Gogh—one of the most famous artists in the world!

**Who was Van Gogh?**

👨 **Name:** Vincent Van Gogh

📅 **Born:** March 30, 1853, Died 29 July 1890

🌍 **From:** The Netherlands

🖌️ **Made Over:** **2,100 artworks!**

# **A building with a flag on top AI-generated content may be incorrect. Education**: Royal Academy of Fine Arts, Brussels, and the Royal Academy of Fine Arts, Antwerp

**🎨 Painting style**: Post-Impressionist

A group of people in a circle

AI-generated content may be incorrect. **Family**: Van Gogh was the child of a Dutch Protestant preacher Theodorus van Gogh and Anna Carbentus, and he grew up in a peaceful family with two brothers and three sisters.

A person drawing on a canvas

AI-generated content may be incorrect. **Work**: He started work as an Art dealer. He was very quiet and thoughtful by nature, and he grew depressed with this life. He had one brother, Theodorus who encouraged him to paint, and helped him a lot with money when his paintings didn’t sell.

**Fun Van Gogh Facts! 🤩**

🔹 He painted over 900 paintings in just 10 years! That’s almost two paintings a week!  
🔹 He only sold one painting while he was alive – Red Vineyards near Arles

A painting of people working in a field

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🔹 Now, his paintings are worth millions!  
🔹 He loved nature and painted fields, trees, and flowers.  
🔹 He used thick brushstrokes to make his paintings feel alive.

**His Most Famous Paintings 🎨**

✨ **Starry Night** – A sky full of twinkling stars and swirls

A painting of a starry night

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🌻 **Sunflowers** – A vase full of bright yellow flowers

A painting of sunflowers in a vase

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🏡 **Bedroom at Arles** – in his cozy home in France

A painting of a bedroom

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**🎨 Van Gogh Art Activity!**

Try making your own **Van Gogh-style** painting!

🌟 **What You Need:**

* Paper or canvas
* Paints (or crayons/markers)
* A paintbrush (or even your fingers!)

🌟 **What to Do:**

1. Pick a Van Gogh painting for inspiration—maybe Starry Night or Sunflowers!
2. Use big, bold strokes and bright colours just like Van Gogh.
3. Add swirls in the sky or thick petals on the flowers.
4. Have fun and don’t worry about making it perfect—Van Gogh loved to express emotions in his art!

✨ **Bonus Challenge:** Can you sketch your own bedroom in the style of “Bedroom at Arles”?

Here are some examples:

A collage of different beds

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How would you colour your picture?

Or, print and colour the following colouring sheets

A black and white drawing of sunflowers in a pot

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