

Cambridge Pre-U

ART HISTORY

Paper 2 Historical Topics

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You must answer on the answer booklet/paper.

You will need: Answer booklet/paper

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer three questions in total, from at least two different topics.
- If you have been given an answer booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on all the work you hand in.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- At the end of the examination, fasten all your work together. Do **not** use staples, paper clips or glue.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- Each question is worth 20 marks.

This document has 12 pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer three questions in total from at least two different topics.

Topic 1: The art and architecture of antiquity, c.600 BC–c.570 AD

1 Art and architecture in the archaic period, c.600 BC–c.450 BC

Discuss the development from black figure to red figure vase painting.

2 Greek architecture and sculpture of the classical and Hellenistic periods, c.450 BC–c.100 BC

Discuss the differences between classical and Hellenistic male sculpture.

3 Roman Imperial architecture, c.50 AD–c.330 AD

In what ways does the Pantheon demonstrate the innovations of Roman architecture?

4 Painting and sculpture in the Roman Republic and Imperial periods, c.100 BC-c.330 AD

What does fresco painting of the period tell us about Roman society?

5 The art and architecture of late antiquity, c.330 AD–c.570 AD

What do the subject matter, style and techniques of the mosaics at Ravenna tell us about Roman culture?

6 Building the 'militant' Church

What regional differences exist in Romanesque church architecture? Answer with reference to specific examples from **at least three** different regions or countries.

7 Heaven and hell: sculpture in the service of the Church

Discuss the style and effect of fonts **and/or** capital sculptures during the Romanesque period.

8 Illuminating the word

How do Romanesque paintings create drama and emotions for the viewer?

9 Bibles for the illiterate

What was the purpose of colour and light in the interior of the Romanesque Church?

10 Priests, warriors, peasants

Discuss the ways in which peasants are depicted in Romanesque art.

Topic 3: A new heaven and new earth: Gothic art and architecture, c.1140-1540

11 Gothic architecture, the setting for prayer

Discuss the key features of the Perpendicular style.

12 Prayer and the role of images

What were the functions of monumental figure sculpture? Answer with reference to both internal and external examples.

13 Death

What does the art of the Gothic period tell us about people's attitude to death?

14 Courtly life

What does the art commissioned by the Valois dynasty tell us about contemporary court life? Refer to a variety of media in your answer.

15 Civic life and patronage

How is civic pride reflected in the design and decoration of town halls of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries?

Topic 4: Man, the measure of all things: the Italian Renaissance, c.1400-c.1600

16 Sculpture in Florence in the fifteenth century

Discuss developments in relief sculpture made by Florentine artists in the fifteenth century.

17 The new naturalism; Florentine painting in the fifteenth century

Discuss the contribution of **either** Masaccio **or** Fra Angelico to the development of painting in the fifteenth century.

18 Early Italian Renaissance architecture and the influence of antiquity

Discuss the influence of antiquity on the work of Alberti.

19 Painting in Renaissance Venice, c.1450–c.1600

Discuss innovation in the religious paintings of Giovanni Bellini.

20 The High Renaissance in Rome, Florence and Milan

How did Michelangelo achieve expressive qualities in his sculpture?

Topic 5: Faith triumphant: seventeenth-century art and architecture

21 Baroque Rome

Discuss how Borromini's architecture achieved dramatic effects.

22 French classicism

Discuss the influence of antiquity on the work of Poussin.

23 Flemish ambassadors

Discuss the treatment of mythological **and/or** allegorical subjects by Flemish painters in this period.

24 The Dutch golden age

Discuss the development of Rembrandt's style.

25 The Spanish court and Church

Discuss the influence of the Counter-Reformation on the work of Zurbarán.

Topic 6: Defining the nation: art and architecture in Britain, c.1700–1860s

26 High art and high life

Analyse **three** history paintings from the period.

27 Portraiture and society

In what ways was Hogarth's style as a portrait painter distinctive?

28 Modern life

Discuss the role of satire in this period.

29 Landscape

Discuss the visionary landscape work of William Blake and Samuel Palmer.

30 Architecture

Compare **one** Gothic Revival building with **one** Neoclassical building.

Topic 7: Art, society and politics in Europe, c.1784–1900

31 Neoclassicism

Discuss the factors which influenced the development of Neoclassicism.

32 Romantic heroes

Discuss Delacroix's paintings of historical subjects **and/or** contemporary events.

33 1848 and its aftermath

How did Baron Haussmann transform the appearance of Paris?

34 The Impressionist Eye

How did Manet depict modern Parisian life in his work?

35 Beyond Impressionism

Compare and contrast the work of van Gogh and Gauguin.

Topic 8: The shock of the new: art and architecture in Europe and the United States in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries

36 Brave new world, 1890–1914

In what ways did Expressionism vary across Europe?

37 Visions of Utopia – architecture

Analyse the architecture and design of Charles Rennie Mackintosh.

38 Rebellion and the unconscious, 1915–70

Discuss the work of **one** Dada artist.

39 The figure and the object, **1940** to the present day

Discuss the differing approaches to figurative representation taken by artists in this period.

40 'Art is about life': art after Modernism, 1970 to the present day

Discuss how one artist working in this period has explored ideas of gender and/or sexuality.

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