

Have Fun: Art Galleries

What, When & Why?

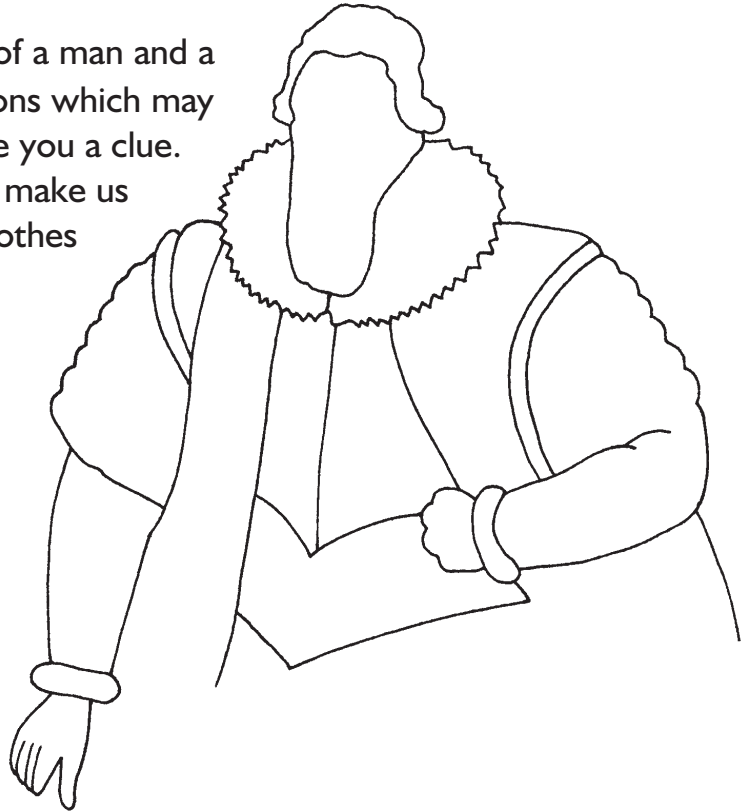
- Look around you. The galleries are full of different types of art, all made in different times for different reasons. Let's find out what was made, when it was made and why it was made.

- **1. Happy Couple:** Find the portrait of a man and a woman holding hands. These instructions which may have been given to the artist might give you a clue. 'Paint a portrait of my wife and me and make us look important. Show us in our best clothes and make our jewellery sparkle.'

Name the man.

Look at the patterns on their clothes.

Draw your favourite pattern.



- **2. Jug and Basin:** Find the Jug and Basin in a case on the left of Gallery 2 by the door. Circle the words that best describe these objects.

Expensive

Dull

Shiny

Soft

Ugly

Pretty

Cheap

New

Old

What do you think this was once used for?



- **3. Hard Workers:** Walk into Gallery 11. The people in this painting are quite different from the people in the historical portraits next door. Find the painting of the mother, father and small child.

Name the artist who painted this. _____

Can you remember the portrait of Mansel and his wife.

How is this portrait different? Make a list of all the differences.

Which painting do you like best and why?

- **4. Is it a Conker?** Walk around the sculpture.
From where do you enjoy looking at it best ?
Why did you choose to look at it from your chosen place?

Look at the solid and empty spaces. Does this sculpture remind you of anything?

Make a drawing of this sculpture from your chosen place. Write down all the words that come to your mind when you look at the work.