

Vincent van Gogh

Vincent van Gogh was a Dutch Post-Impressionist artist who is well known for his unique style of painting, which features bold colors, vivid scenes, and swirling lines and textures.



Vincent van Gogh, *Tarascon Stagecoach*, 1888. The Henry and Rose Pearlman Foundation, on long-term loan to the Princeton University Art Museum

Look Closely

What shapes do you see in this painting?

What colors do you see?

Look closely at the brushstrokes and texture. Circle the adjectives that best describe them.

thick

short

smooth

long

swirly

thin

straight

all the same



Try This

Standing back from the painting so that you are careful not to touch it, use your finger to trace the path of some of the brushstrokes.

Make Connections

We know many details about Van Gogh's life and his art-making process because he wrote letters to his brother describing his work and his feelings. Have you ever written a letter to a friend or family member? When? What did you tell them?

If you were writing a letter about your visit to the Art Museum today, what would you say?

Dear _____,

Today I the visited Princeton University Art Museum with _____. I saw a painting of a stagecoach by Vincent van Gogh. It was _____.

The colors were _____. The brushstrokes were _____.

It made me feel _____.

Love,
