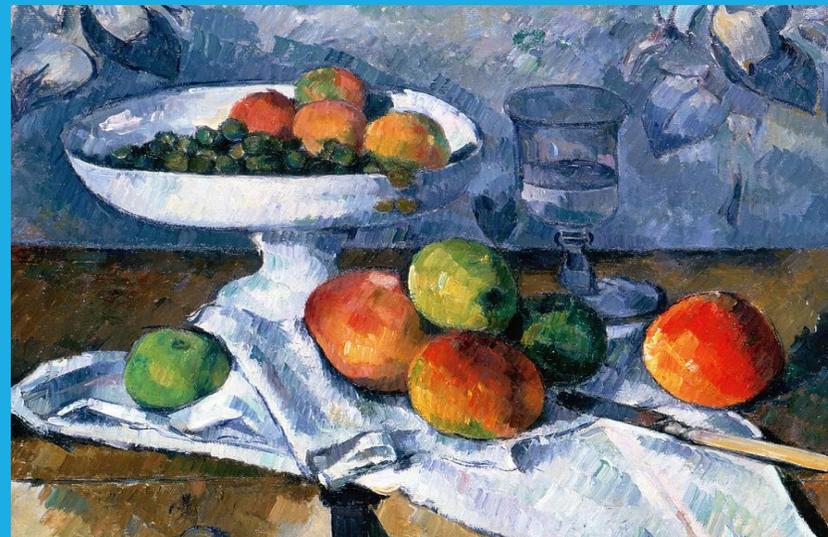
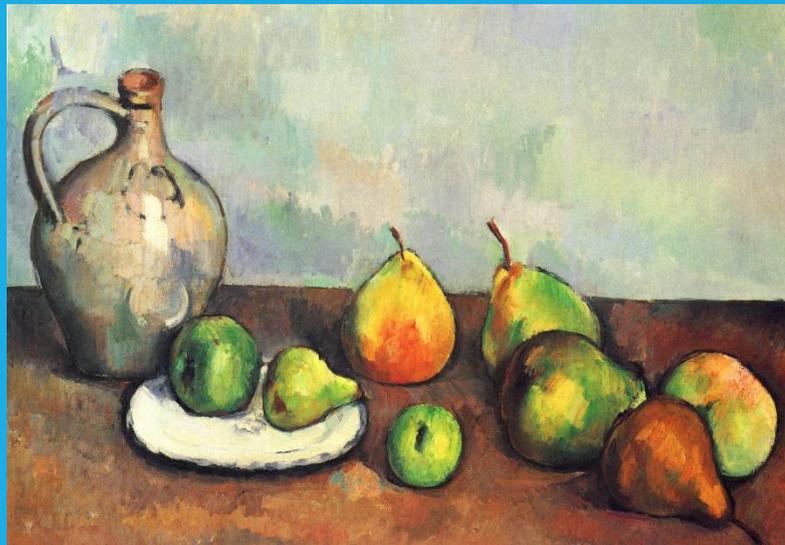
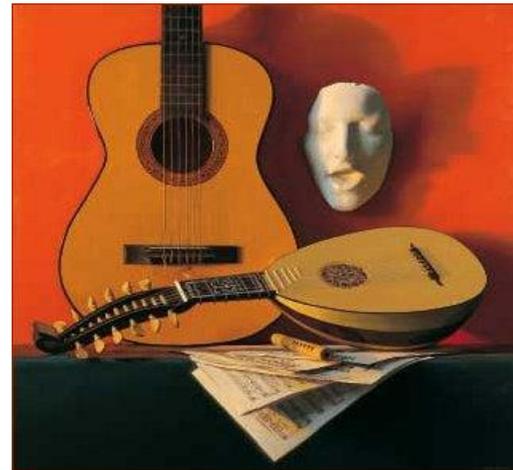


AN INTRODUCTION TO STILL-LIFE



What is still life?

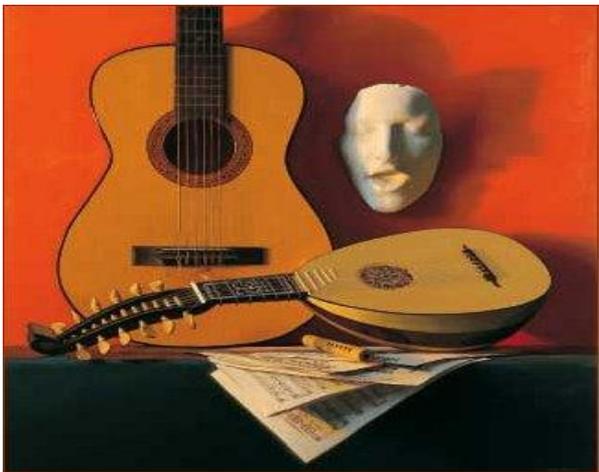
- Still life is simply a painting or drawing of objects = the subject matter is inanimate objects that don't move. Rather than living things, such as in portraits.
- Artists have created still life work for hundreds of years. They were very popular form of art work in the 17th century



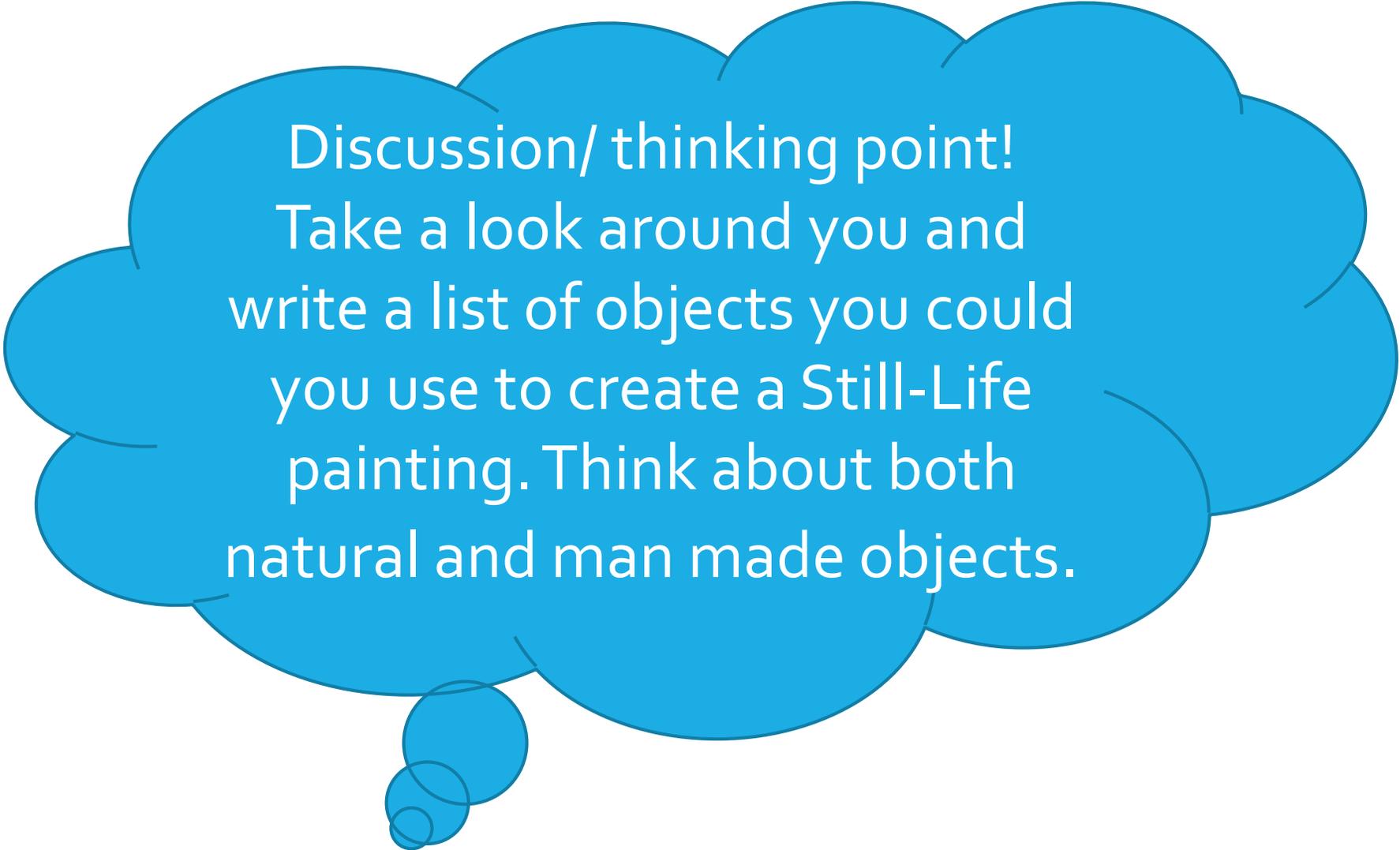
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- Sometimes still life paintings are groups of natural objects: food, flowers, fruits, vegetables for example.



- Sometimes they are paintings of groups of objects made by people, for example: cooking pots, bottles, clothing, household objects

A large, blue, cloud-like thought bubble with a thin black outline. Inside the bubble, white text is centered. At the bottom of the bubble, there are three smaller, overlapping blue circles of decreasing size, connected to the main bubble by thin lines, suggesting a trail of thought.

Discussion/ thinking point!
Take a look around you and
write a list of objects you could
you use to create a Still-Life
painting. Think about both
natural and man made objects.

Why is still life so important?

- Still life is a very important type of Art. Still life drawings are based on observations at that moment in time. So, Still-Life Art helps us to learn about and understand how people lived just from their paintings, they didn't have iPhone's or cameras!
- Still life, has a rich place in art history. It helps us to learn about its past—and how artists have kept it alive over thousands of years.

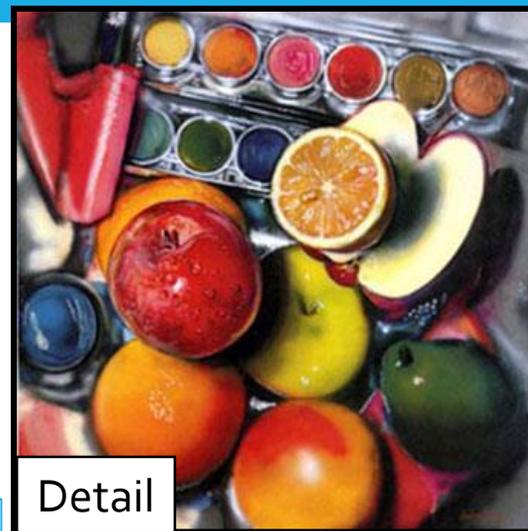


'Still Life' by Paul Cézanne. 1883-87

Your unique perspective...

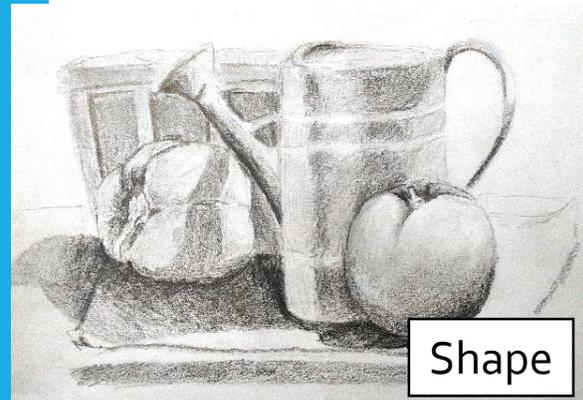


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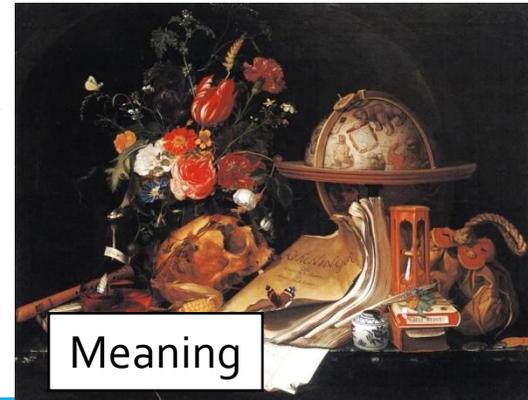


Detail

When you paint or draw a still life, you will see things your own way; one person might be fascinated by the **detail** ... another might notice the **shapes** more ... and another person might be more interested in the **colours**. Other people inject huge **meaning** into their still life artwork.



Shape



Meaning

Your task!

Now go back to the list you previously made. Choose something from the list and have a go at drawing your very own still- life sketch. Think about the colours and shapes you could use.