

Graded reading: Graffiti and street art (level 1) – exercises

Do the preparation exercise first. Then read the text and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation

Write the correct word in the box below the picture.

gallery	twins	artist
aerosol paint	castle	graffiti

		
		

1. Check your understanding: matching

Write the correct place name from the box next to the sentence below.

Taiwan	Cape Town	São Paulo	New York	Scotland	Bristol
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- Os Gêmeos painted a castle here.
- Faith47 comes from this South African city.
- There is a street art festival here every August.
- Tourists visit this city to see the street art.
- In the 1970s, young people wrote 'tags' on the city walls.
- Here, artists can paint and write in 'graffiti zones'.

2. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | Demetrius's tag was 'TAKI 457'. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | Demetrius wrote his tag in pen. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | Aerosol paint graffiti became popular in the 1970s and 1980s. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Some galleries have exhibitions of street art. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | Os Gêmeos paint pictures of homeless people in big cities. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Faith47 doesn't paint on walls. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

Discussion

What do you think about graffiti? Is it really art?

Is there graffiti in your town or city?

Do you think it makes your town or city look good?

Should the police stop graffiti artists?