

Y2 Summer ART: Sculpture

Enquiry Question: Can I use of a range of natural and manmade materials (malleable and rigid) to design and make a mask sculpture?

Key Individuals

Masai Tribe



Africa is known for beautiful masks. For many hundreds of years, masks were a very important part of African life particularly among the people who live south of the Sahara Desert. Many of the masks are carved of wood and decorated with other materials such as raffia, animal skins, bark cloth, metal, beads and shells. Anything found locally can be used to make and decorate a mask. In many tribes, masks were used in healing rituals to drive away illness and even to frighten away evil spirits! During those times a mask was worn by one dancer. The masks could be worn in three different ways - covering the dancer's face; as helmets covering the whole head or, resting on top of the dancer's head.



Key Vocab

Malleable materials cut fold
Rigid design evaluate
Mould
Design
Function
Appeal