

# KS3 Year 9 Art & Design Knowledge Organiser - Illustration

## Key Vocabulary/ Formal Elements:

- Research** Researching a particular artist/ illustrator can inspire your own work. You can learn about the different media and techniques they use and study their style.
- Composition** In the visual arts, composition is the placement or arrangement of visual elements or 'ingredients' in a work of art, as distinct from the subject.
- Mixed Media** Mixed media describes an artwork in which more than one medium is used.
- Line** A line is the path left by a moving point. It is one-dimensional and can vary in width, direction, and length. **Lines** often **define** the edges of a form. **Lines** can be horizontal, vertical, or diagonal, straight or curved, thick or thin.
- Illustrator** A person who draws or creates pictures for magazines, books, advertising, etc.
- Visual Literacy** The ability to interpret, recognize and understand written information presented through visible images, objects and symbols.
- Collage** A piece of art made by collecting and combining different materials such as photographs and pieces of paper or fabric on to a backing.

### What is Illustration?

An **illustration** is a decoration, interpretation or visual explanation of a text, concept or process, designed for use in published media, such as posters, flyers, magazines, books, teaching materials, animations, video games and films.

## Materials and Tools



### An Artist Case Study includes:

- **Facts about the artist**, e.g. Where and when they were born; Where did they live?
- **Images of the artist's work.**
- **Description of the artist's work**, What materials did they use? What/ who inspired them? Use key vocabulary.
- **History of their working life.**
- **Your own opinion of their work**, including reasons *why* you like or dislike their work.
- **Your drawings of their work.**



## Inspiration



**Dylan Thomas**



Quentin Blake

### Sir Quentin Blake - Illustrator

Born 16 December 1932

Is an English cartoonist, illustrator and children's writer.

He is best known for illustrating books written by Roald Dahl.

From 1999 to 2001 he was the inaugural Britain's Children's Laureate.

Watch Quentin Blake talk about how he illustrates his books.  
[www.quentinblake.com/about-drawing/quentin-action/ten-minutes-illustration](http://www.quentinblake.com/about-drawing/quentin-action/ten-minutes-illustration)

### Ralph Steadman - Illustrator

Born on May 15<sup>th</sup> 1936 in Cheshire

He is a British artist and cartoonist best known for his provocative, often grotesque, illustrations frequently featuring spatters and splashes of ink.

Ralph Steadman

