

How to Use Fine Art 4-Part Cards

Step 1: Begin by introducing the children to the paintings by using the Fine Art Display Cards. You can also arrange museum trips and read books about art and artists.

Step 2: When children are familiar with the art, use the image-only cards from this packet in 3-period lessons (see www.maitrilearning.com for instructions) to practice the vocabulary. First work with the names of the paintings. When they can identify all painting names (usually after many days), work with the names of the artist.

Step 3: Once children are comfortable with the vocabulary and are strong phonetic readers, layout the painting-only cards in one or two columns. Leave space under each image to place the painting's title and artist's name cards. Then, show the child how to read each painting's title card and match it to its image. Repeat for the artist's name cards. When all cards/images are matched, show the child how to place the control cards (words & images together on one card) just to the right of the matched cards so they can check their own work. Inspire the children to repeat their work and to extend it by writing down their new words.

