



Indian	India
traditional	patterns
intricate	beautiful
fabric	colours
festival	henna
mehndi	symmetry
block printing	mural
rangoli	Diwali

## Important information



This Indian Art knowledge organiser for Year 2 will help immerse you in the fascinating art and culture of India as you explore a range of traditional Indian art mediums. You will have the chance to explore and recreate Indian paintings, create intricate Indian patterns and use these to make beautiful mehndi designs, use block printing to make patterned fabric, and much more!

Children will explore the history of Indian painting and how the style has changed throughout the centuries. They will explore different styles of paintings, discussing the colours and patterns used in each style, before using what they have found out to inform their own artwork. They will find out about the famous Hastimangala festival. They will look closely at the patterns and colours of intricate decorations which adorn elephants during the festival, then either create their own decorated paper elephants or, optionally, sculpt elephants using clay.

Children will find out what henna is and how it is used to make mehndi patterns. They will explore some examples of mehndi art, focusing particularly on symmetry. They will then use what they have learnt to create their own mehndi patterns.

Children will learn about the technique of Indian block printing, exploring the ways in which intricate carved patterns are traditionally used to decorate fabric. They will find out about the tools used to make block printed fabric, then make their own block printing stamps which can be used either to decorate fabric, or produce a class mural.

Children are reminded that rangoli patterns are often used during Diwali celebrations. They will look at some examples of rangoli patterns and find out how they are created. Children can then create their own rangoli using coloured salt.



	<u>Learning Objective</u>	<u>Lesson</u>	<u>What will you learn</u>	<u>Learning Review</u>
How have painting styles changed over time in India?  How are some Indian painting styles similar/different?	To explore the history and styles of Indian painting.	1	Children will explore the history of Indian painting and how the style has changed throughout the centuries. They will explore different styles of paintings, discussing the colours and patterns used in each style, before using what they have found out to inform their own artwork.	
What is the significance of the Indian Holi and Elephant festival? What are the colours and patterns used in the Indian festival?	To explore the art displayed during the Indian elephant festival.	2	Children will find out about the famous Hastimangala festival. They will look closely at the patterns and colours of intricate decorations which adorn elephants during the festival, then either create their own decorated paper elephants or, optionally, sculpt elephants using clay.	
What is henna and why is it significant to the Indian culture? What is symmetry and how can I make a symmetrical pattern?	To explore and create Mehndi patterns.	3	Children will find out what henna is and how it is used to make mehndi patterns. They will explore some examples of mehndi art, focusing particularly on symmetry. They will then use what they have learnt to create their own mehndi patterns.	
What materials can be used to make printed fabric? How can I use colours and patterns to represent Indian culture?	To explore the Indian block printing technique.	4	Children will learn about the technique of Indian block printing, exploring the ways in which intricate carved patterns are traditionally used to decorate fabric. They will find out about the tools used to make block printed fabric, then make their own block printing stamps which can be used either to decorate fabric, or produce a class mural.	
What is a Rangoli pattern?	To explore and create Rangoli patterns.	5	Children are reminded that rangoli patterns are often used during Diwali celebrations. They will look at some examples of rangoli patterns and find out how they are created. Children can then create their own rangoli using coloured salt.	