

**Cover:** J.E.H. MacDonald, *Cathedral Mountain from Opabin Pass*, 1929. Oil on canvas, 20.8 x 26.0 cm, MaJ.01.01

**Page 1:** Frederick Bosley, *Untitled (Portrait of Catharine Robb)*, 1925. Oil on canvas, 114.3 x 99.5 cm, BoF.02.01

Terence P. Bresnahan, *Untitled [Peter Whyte]*, 1928. Graphite, 32.5 x 22.3 cm, BrT.03.01

**Page 6:** Peter Whyte, *Lake McArthur*, 1937. Oil on canvas, 62.2 x 75.0 cm, WyP.02.035



# Painting in the Rockies

## Answer page 10

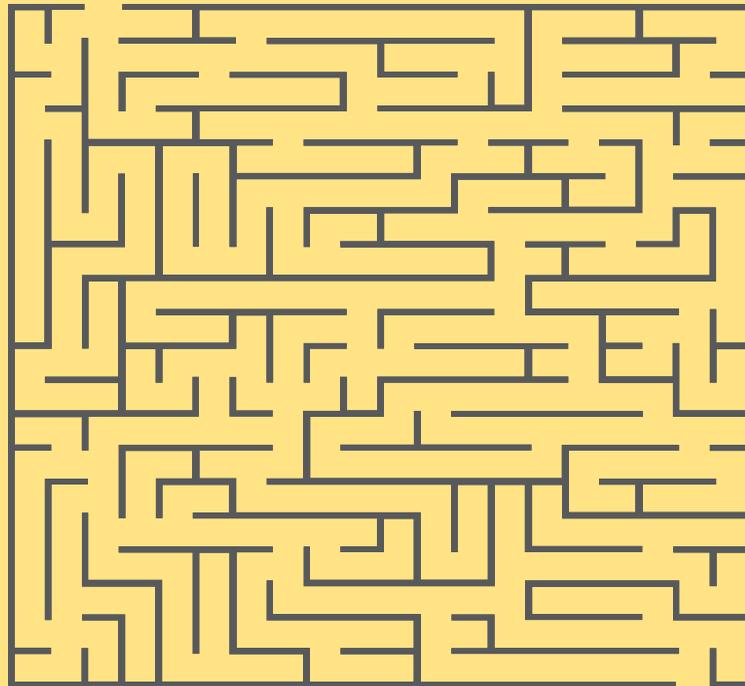
Above is the full image from Page 10. It's a painting by Peter called Pete's "Grandmother".

Peter Whyte, *Pete's Grandmother*, ca.1925. Oil on canvas 91.4 x 101.5 cm, WyP.02.18

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Help the red paint get back to its set



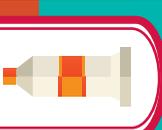
## Did you Know?

An artist named J.E.H. MacDonald was painting with Peter Whyte out in the mountains so he included Peter into his work? That's Peter painting on the front page!



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# What is the Whyte Museum?

**Complete the Picture** This is just a small piece of a larger painting. Use your imagination and draw what else might be happening in this picture!



[Peter and Catharine Whyte outside their home], 1932-1933, Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies, Peter and Catharine Whyte fonds (v683/III/A/1/pd1-042)



Frederick Bosley, *Untitled (Portrait of Catharine Robb)*, 1925. Oil on canvas, 114.3 x 99.5 cm, BoF.02.01

## Peter & Catharine

Peter Whyte was born in Banff and loved hiking, camping and skiing. He dreamed of being an artist. He met Catharine Robb at art school and she also loved to paint and draw. They built a home in Banff where they lived for the rest of their lives, painting the beautiful landscape.

Peter and Catharine Whyte were the founders of the Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies in Banff – a special place where you can find history, art, and stories from the past!



Terence P. Bresnahan, *Untitled [Peter Whyte]*, 1928. Graphite, 32.5 x 22.3 cm, BrT.03.01

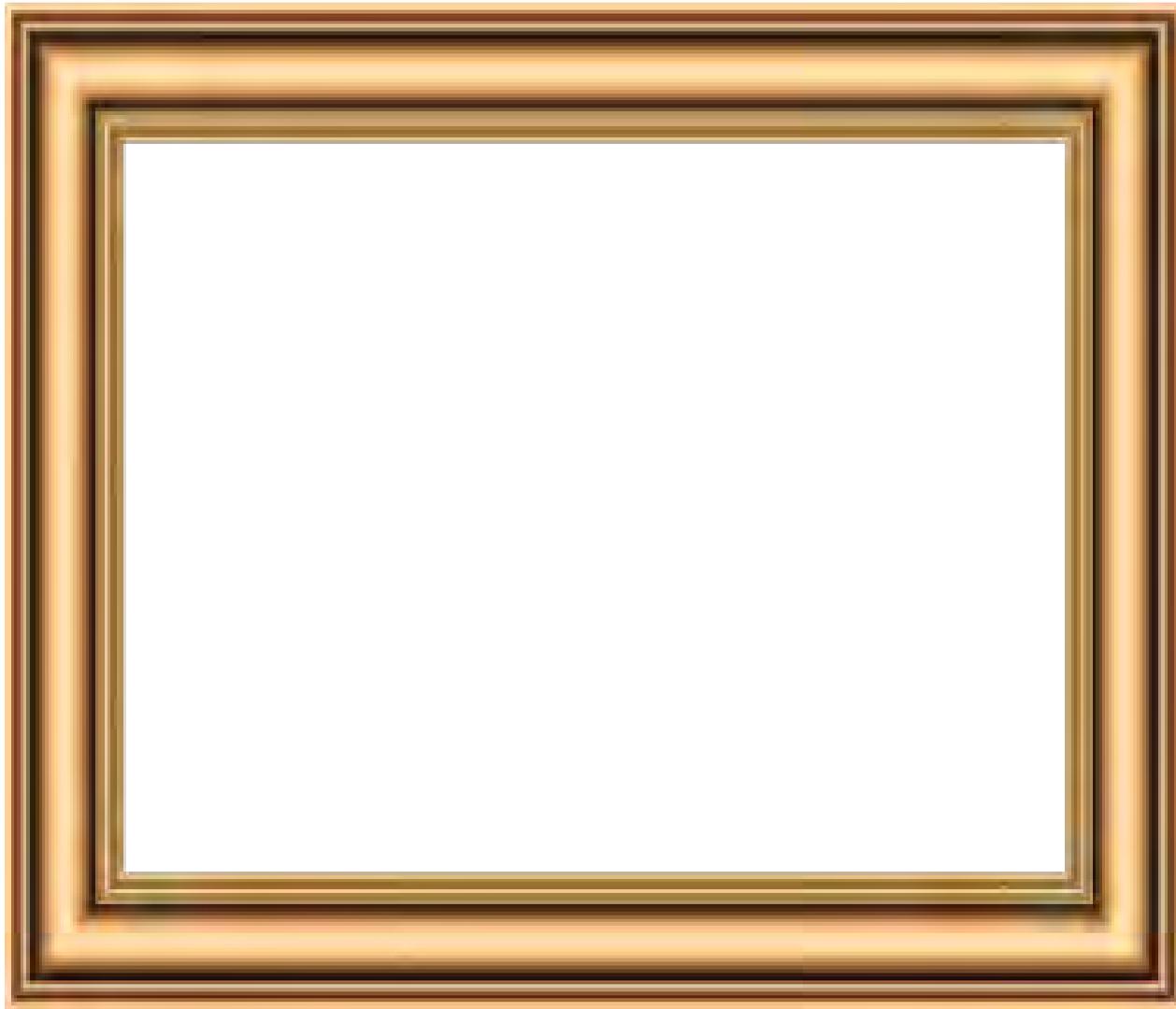


**Did you Know?** Some things you need for painting are: an easel (to hold your canvas), canvas (what you paint on), palette (to mix the paint), paint (tubes of different colours), and paint brushes (different sizes and bristles).

## Did you Know?

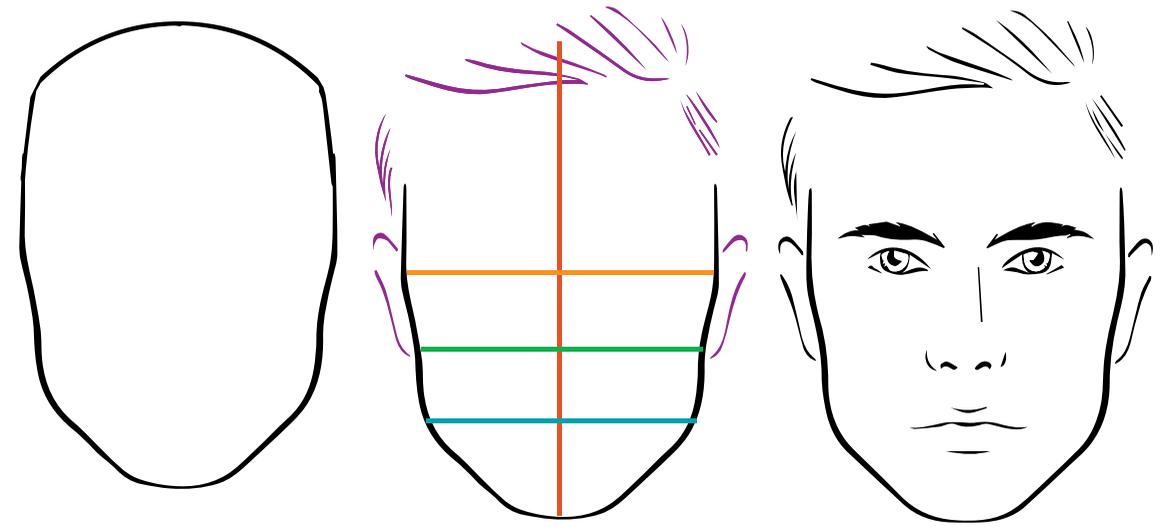
Humans are not the only ones to create art. Animals like dolphins, chimpanzees, and elephants can also produce paintings.

**Now Draw a Landscape!** Use the tips on Page 6 to draw a landscape from your imagination OR from a landscape image in one of the galleries.



## Portraits

Do you remember that portraits are pictures of people?



**Step 1:** Draw a line down the middle of the head to help position the eyes, nose and mouth.

**Step 2:** Draw a line across the middle of the head. The eyes are located halfway up the head.

**Step 3:** Draw another line halfway below the eye line. This is where the tip of the nose will come to.

**Step 4:** Draw another line halfway between the nose line and bottom of the chin. This is where you will draw the mouth! Now draw the ears! They line up between the eyebrows and the tip of the nose.

**Step 6:** Colour in the hair and eyebrows, and you can add things like earrings or glasses!



**Did you Know?** If the horizon line is towards the bottom of the work, then usually there is more sky. If it is higher up in the work, then usually there is more grass, trees, etc. in the foreground.

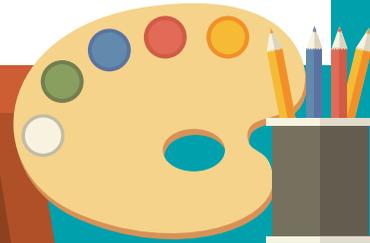
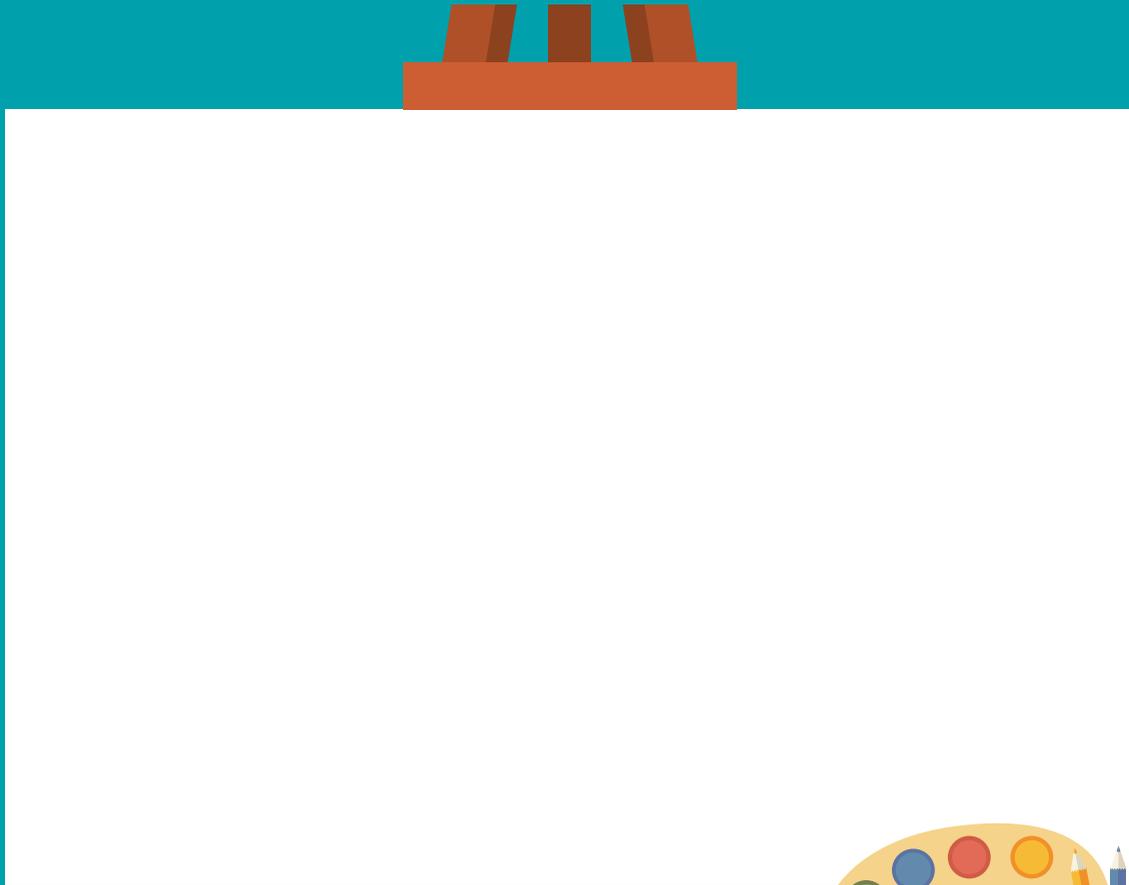
## Did you Know?

The strongest muscle in the human body, based on size, is the masseter – the jaw muscle we use to chew food!



# Now Draw a Portrait!

Use the steps on Page 4 and use a mirror to draw yourself OR draw a portrait of someone you know in the space below:



# Landscapes

Are pictures of natural scenery like mountains, rivers, lakes, fields, etc.

Here are some landscape tips for you:



**Horizon line**

Where the sky meets the land or the water



**Foreground**

The part of the picture that is nearest to the viewer



**Mid-Ground**

Medium distance or mid-frame



**Background**

The part of the picture that is farthest from the viewer

## Did you Know?

When you paint or draw yourself, it is called a "self-portrait".

## Did you Know?

Painting outside is called "En plein air".

# Some Elements of Art

These are only some of the things to consider when creating a painting.

Find a painting by Peter or Catharine in a gallery and draw a picture of it on this page.  
Where is the horizon line? What is in the foreground and background?

## Match the art term to the definition:

a) **Colour** – the most expressive element of art.

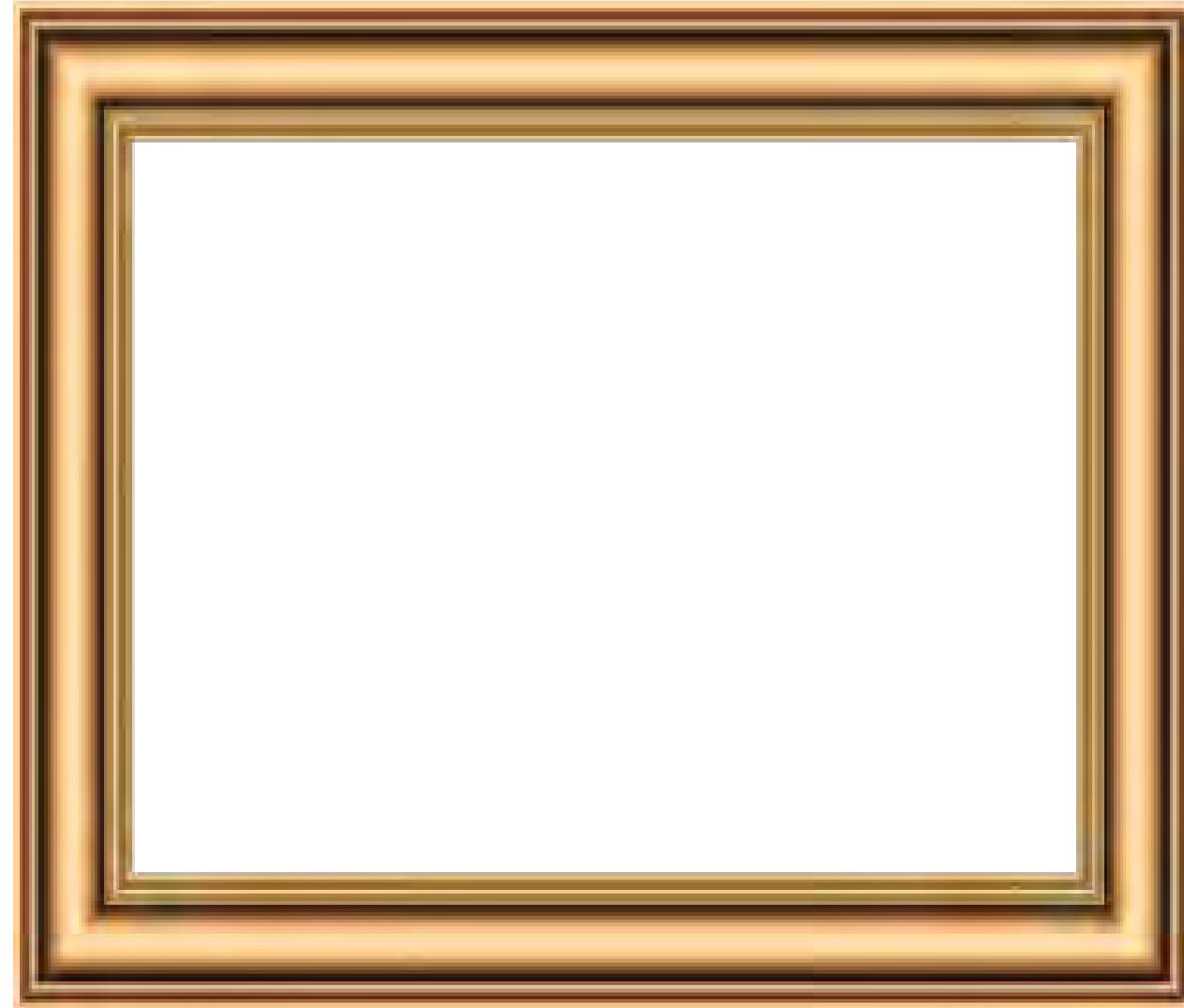
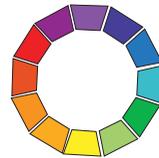
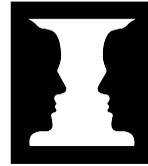
b) **Line** – a mark made on a surface that defines the edges of shapes and forms.

c) **Shape** – a flat area enclosed by a line.

d) **Space** – a feeling of depth within the picture plane.  
The area around the primary objects in a work of art is known as negative space, while the space occupied by the primary objects is known as positive space.

e) **Texture** - the surface quality in a work of art, ie: roughness or smoothness.

f) **Form** - a 3-dimensional object having volume and thickness. It is the illusion of a 3-D effect that can be implied with the use of light and shading techniques. Form can be viewed from many angles.



**Did you Know?** Primary colours are red, blue, and yellow. They are called “primary” because you can mix them together to make other colours. For example: if you mix blue and red, you make purple.

## Did you Know?

Peter and Catharine traveled the world and sometimes they painted pictures of the places they visited and people they met.

# Crossword Puzzle

Find the words in the crossword below:



Turn the page to learn about some elements of art!

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K U H B H S D X X X W H L F B I O O N X

ABSTRACT  
BRUSH  
HORIZON LINE  
PAINT

ART  
COLOUR  
LANDSCAPE  
PORTRAIT

BACKGROUND  
EASEL  
NATURE  
STILL LIFE

## Peter and Catharine loved to paint portraits and landscapes.



Catharine Robb Whyte, *Tom Wilson*, 1930-1940.  
Oil on canvas, 76.4 x 64.8 cm, WyC.02.05



Catharine Robb Whyte, *Mount Temple and Larches*, 1937 – 1945.  
Oil on canvas, 40.8 x 50.8 cm, WyC.02.14

### What is a portrait?

Portraits are pictures of people that show their personality and lifestyle.

### What is a landscape?

A landscape is a picture of natural scenery or the outdoors.

### Did you Know? It's important to express yourself!

Art is a great way to communicate how you think or feel, or how you see the world. So get creative!

### Did you Know?

Paintings can typically be put into 1 of 4 categories: Portrait, Landscape, Abstract and Still Life.