

NG Kids takes a trip to Malaga in Spain, the birthplace of famous artist, Pablo Picasso...

# SMART ART

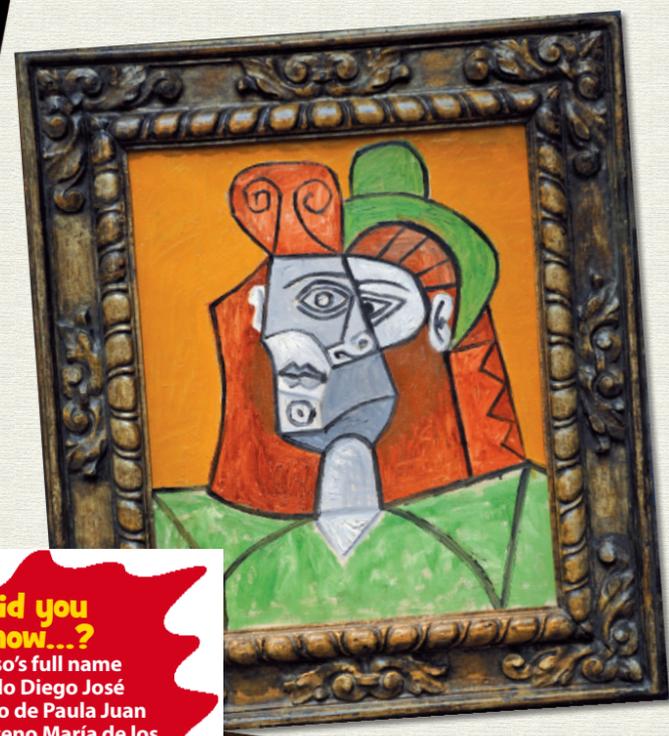


As well as paintings, Pablo Picasso created amazing sculptures, too!

 Pablo Picasso is one of the most well-known artists in the world. He was born on 25 October 1881 in Malaga, Spain. As a boy, Picasso spent a lot of his time painting with his father, who was also an artist. Many people believe that Picasso was born to paint – and say his first

words were “piz, piz”, which is short for lápiz – the Spanish word for pencil! Picasso’s paintings were so good that by the time he was 13, Picasso had become a better painter than his dad, who vowed to give up painting! After a lifetime creating art, Picasso died, aged 91, in 1973.

**Did you know...?**  
 Picasso’s full name is Pablo Diego José Francisco de Paula Juan Nepomuceno María de los Remedios Cipriano de la Santísima Trinidad Matyr Patricio Clito Ruiz y Picasso. Phew!



## PERFECT PORTRAIT

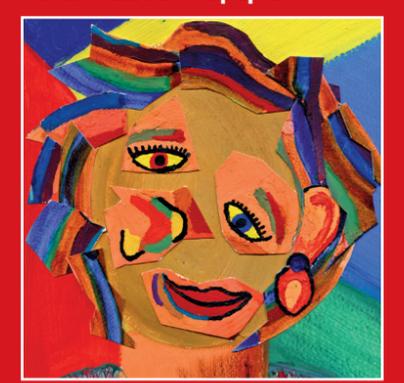
Here’s how to create your own Picasso-inspired portrait...



**1** Paint a picture of your face, including your ears, on a piece of paper. Then, using scissors, cut the painting up into odd shapes.



**2** On another piece of paper, paint your neck and shoulders and a plain head shape (like an oval). Now, paint a colourful background on the same bit of paper.



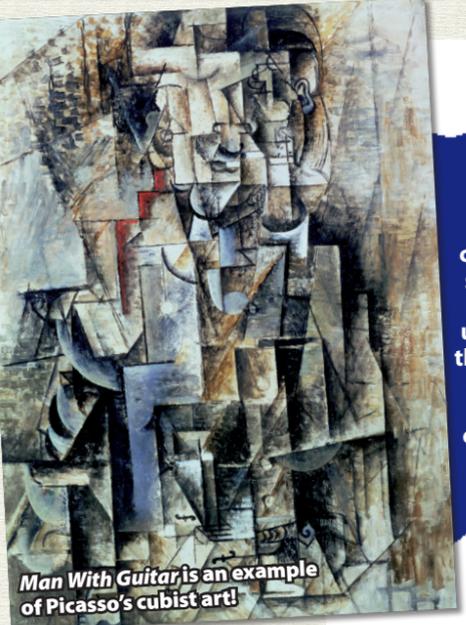
**3** Next, rearrange the pieces of your face on your head and shoulders. Position all of the pieces before starting to stick them down. Now you’ve got your very own Picasso-style painting!

NG Kids travelled to Malaga with Monarch. Monarch offers year-round flights to Malaga from Birmingham, London Gatwick, London Luton and Manchester airports. For more information, visit [monarch.co.uk](http://monarch.co.uk) NG Kids stayed at the NH Malaga hotel. For details, go to [nh-hotels.com](http://nh-hotels.com) For more about Malaga, log on to [www.malagaturismo.com](http://www.malagaturismo.com)

**PAINTING FOR PEACE**  
 Picasso’s most famous artwork is the *Guernica* which is on display at the Reina Sofia National Museum in Madrid, Spain. Picasso created this massive artwork to show the suffering people were going through in the Spanish Civil War. Even today, this incredible painting is used as a symbol for peace. Cool!



*Guernica* is more than 3m high and 7m long!



*Man With Guitar* is an example of Picasso’s cubist art!

**COOL CUBES**  
 Picasso is also well known for inventing a type of art called cubism. This style of art can seem strange at first – as if the objects in the picture have been broken up and then put back together in the wrong places. The idea behind cubism was to show a 3D object on a flat surface – that’s why ears often appear on the front of someone’s face!



The Picasso museum in Malaga is found in the house where he was born!

**SPANISH HOME**  
 Malaga celebrates Picasso’s birthday with a festival every October. The Pablo Ruiz Picasso Foundation Museum in the city is full of Picasso’s art. Find out more at [malagaturismo.com](http://malagaturismo.com)



## ART CLASS

Where was Picasso born?  
 a) Spain b) France c) Italy

Go to [ngkids.co.uk](http://ngkids.co.uk) to read about more famous artists!

*Guernica*, 1937 (oil on canvas) by Picasso, Pablo (1881-1973) Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid, Spain/The Bridgeman Art Library. *Man With Violin*, 1911 (oil on canvas) by Picasso, Pablo (1881-1973) Private Collection/The Bridgeman Art Library Museum. © Museo Picasso Málaga. Port. © Area de Turismo y Deporte del Ayuntamiento de Málaga. Picasso, framed pictures: © Getty Images UK.