Can I explain what is meant by impressionist art?

Can I use 2Paint a Picture to create my own art based upon this style?

What do these paintings have in common?

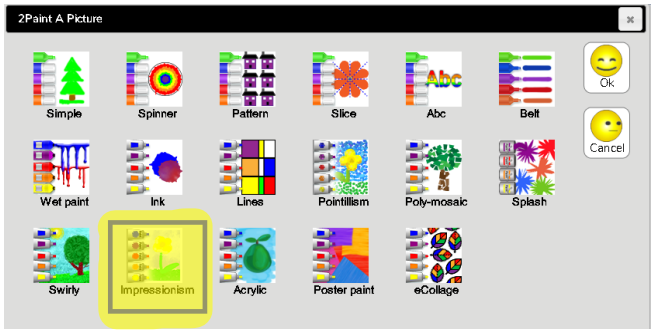
Claude Monet

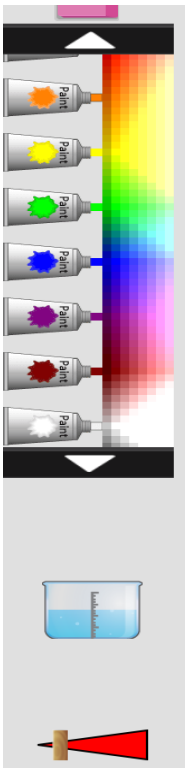
The impressionist movement began in the 1860s and became most popular in the 1870s and 1880s. It differed from the common art of the time because it wasn't religious art, showing scenes from religious stories or specific events, but was just intended to capture a scene at a particular moment.

The art gave an 'impression' of the scene. Famous impressionist artists include Degas, Monet and Manet. These artists used watercolour techniques. They often painted outdoors and at speed so that they could capture the impression that the light made at a certain moment. The artists focused on the light and colour of the moment rather than details of the things that they were painting.

2Paint a Picture is a drawing tool that helps you to create various painting effects and combine these effects to make pictures. When the tool is first opened, you get a choice of painting effects. We will be looking at some of them during the next few lessons.

Follow the highlighted icons or go to your 2Dos.





The tubes of paint have been 'squeezed out' and mixed in the palette on the left so they are ready for the impressionist artist to capture the impression.

Colours can be selected here and then mixed with more water to give a watered-down paint effect by clicking on the water pot to alter the level of water.

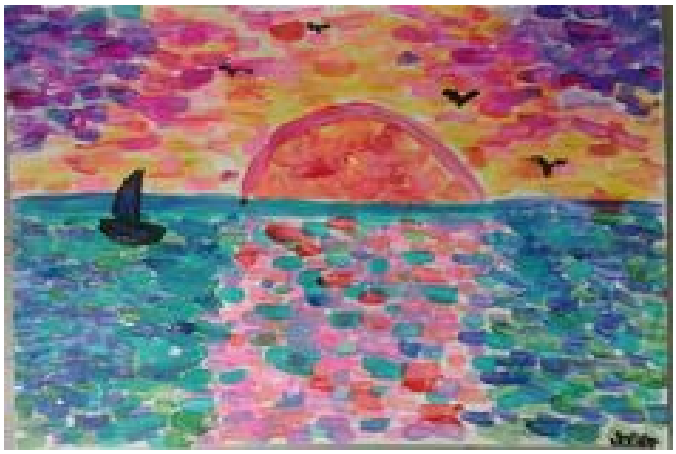
Other colours can be accessed by clicking on the white arrows to rotate the palette of paint up or down.

Now experiment with painting with watery paint and layering the effect with short 'brushstrokes'.

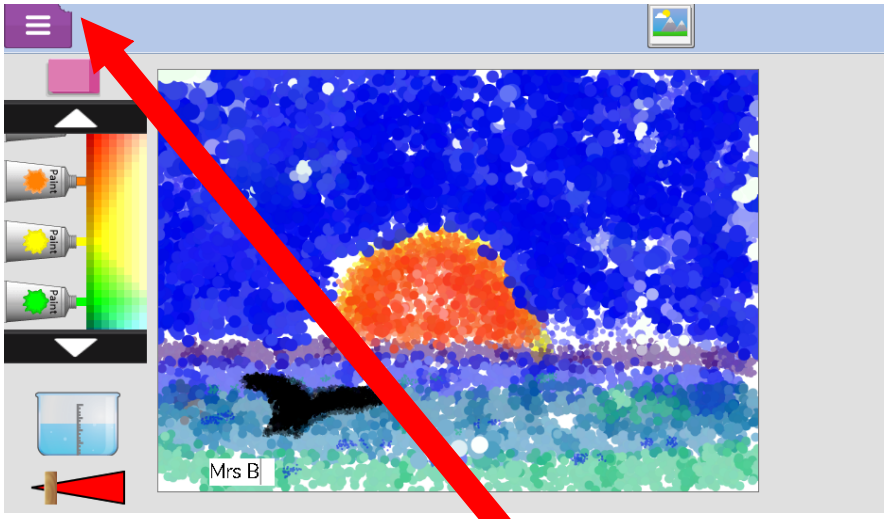
Look at how the colour comes out in a mixture of tones to help create an impressionist appearance.

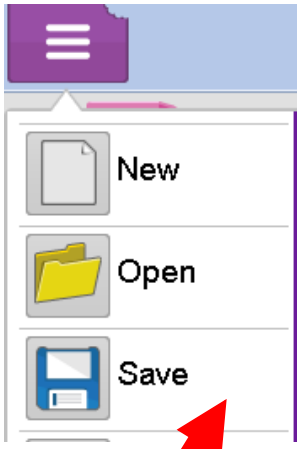
Now its your turn to create an impressionist-style painting with a theme of Sunset or Sunrise. Here are some examples you can use to help you.

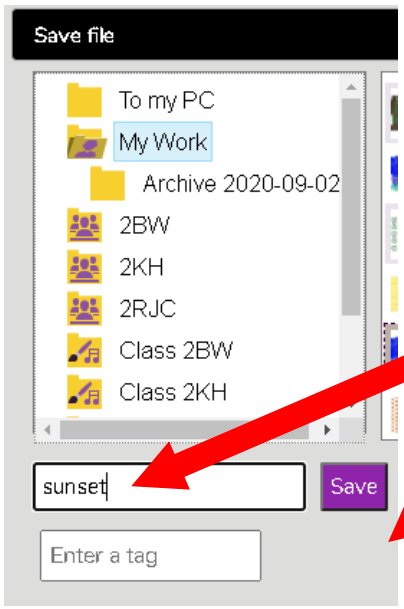
Remember to enter a title and 'sign' your art in the bottom corner where it says 'Abc'.



Remember to Save your work so your teachers can mark it.







1) Click on the purple tab.

2) Click on Save

3) Name your work - Sunset

4) Click Save