

# Prepare for {IELTS}

## Part 1 – Museums and Art Galleries

Do you like art?

Art is such a broad term\* and if it includes visual, musical and performance art then yes, I am a massive fan of art. If you are simply talking about art as in drawings and paintings, then I'm not into it as much. I'm more of a music lover.

\*a broad term = includes a wide range of things

Do you have any artwork on your walls?

I have a few prints\*\*, not original artworks. I have one by... oh what's his name, sorry the name escapes me\*\*\*... anyway, it's a painting called the scream.

\*\*prints = an art print is a reproduction of an original artwork

\*\*\*if something escapes you = you can't remember it

Do you like going to museums?

Yes and no, it's not something I do as a rule\*; however, if I'm on holiday then I make a point of going\*\* to museums because you get a flavour of the place.

\*as a rule = If you say that something happens as a rule, you mean that it usually happens.

\*\*to make a point of doing something = to always do something or take particular care to do something

Have you ever been to an art gallery?

Yes, I have, I've been to a few. Although I wouldn't class myself as\*\* an art enthusiast, I do like Van Gogh so when I was visiting Amsterdam I went to the Van Gogh museum to see his masterpieces. I was blown away\*\*\*\*, to be perfectly honest.

\*\*\*to class = to include someone or something in a particular group because they have similar features or qualities

\*\*\*\*to be blown away = to be very impressed by something