Year 9 Art & Design	Emerging	Developing	Secure	Mastery
Art & Design	You can show your ideas using basic drawing skills. You are beginning to explore techniques and starting to understand how artists record what they see and feel.	You can record your ideas using techniques such as tone, colour, and line. You explore colour theory through mixed media and are starting to make deliberate choices about how to present	You can competently record your ideas using a wide range of techniques. You experiment with shape, form, and composition, and refine your work by reflecting on how artists use—and	You can independently and creatively record your ideas with skill and purpose. You make thoughtful, complex decisions to express meaning through colour theory, form, and
Record		your work with meaning.	sometimes challenge—the rules of art. You show resilience in developing structure and intent in your ideas.	composition. You reflect on different perspectives, showing how art can be empowering, culturally valuable, and able to provoke action.
				Your work is shaped by cultural, historical, and social understanding, and you consciously use visual language to communicate a message.
Explore	You can combine some techniques in your work. You reflect on how artists inspire your own work.	You can explore your own work and the work of others by describing how artists use tone, colour, and line.	You can analyse how artists use mixed media, colour theory, and structure to communicate ideas.	You can thoughtfully evaluate your own work and that of others, interpreting context, meaning, and how these can change.

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	You select and combine materials, processes, and techniques. You use line and mark-making to express ideas.	You are starting to recognise how formal elements, materials, and composition are used to express meaning, and can explain your opinions clearly. You can try out and review a variety of materials, techniques, and processes. You are starting to apply line, tone, shape, and colour theory in your work, and beginning to make thoughtful choices to refine your ideas.	You understand how shape, form, and cultural context influence artwork, and you begin to reflect on these in your own decisions. You can experiment competently and reflectively with a wide range of materials and techniques. You use formal elements like tone, colour, and composition to express your ideas and show an understanding of how artists create, challenge, and communicate meaning in their work.	You reflect on how artists challenge or follow rules to create powerful, socially, and culturally valuable messages. You express yourself with clarity and creativity, making complex, purposeful decisions to strengthen your visual message. You can experiment creatively by combining and manipulating materials with confidence. You apply colour theory and mixed media to explore complex ideas, embrace unexpected outcomes, and refine your work. You reflect deeply, showing cultural and social awareness, and make resilient, purposeful decisions to interpret and present a meaningful visual message.

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Create	You can make outcomes that show a deeper understanding of the theme. You use mark making, line, and some formal elements to explore your ideas.	You can make outcomes that show your ideas more clearly. You are starting to use tone, colour, and composition with purpose, and you are expanding your art, design, and craft skills by exploring materials and refining your work.	You can create competent and thoughtful outcomes based on your own ideas and artists' work. You apply line, colour theory, tone, and form to communicate meaning, and you reflect on how context, history, and culture influence your creative choices.	You can create original and imaginative outcomes with clear purpose and meaning. You explore structure, mixed media, and composition with skill and confidence. You make complex, deliberate decisions, showing cultural and social awareness, and understand how art can empower, challenge, and inspire others, interpreting through your own independent outcomes.