

How to create Batik art ?

**Art – Designers Year 6
(Printing and fabric)**

Teaching focus: Batik

Learning Lens: Designers

Class: Year 6

Previous Knowledge

Printing and use of natural dyes

Project Hook or ‘Wow’ memory

Investigating Batik techniques

Key skills pupils will use in this topic:

Use different resistant materials to apply a design to fabric.

Use batik equipment

Use and experiment with fabric dyes

Learning Steps

Key Knowledge(answers)

Who is Ika Sarkasi and why is he famous?

Famous batik artist from Singapore. He was trained in the art of batik by his father and has been part of several record breaking challenges (longest batik print.) He does lots of work with schools in poor areas.. He teaches batik and exhibits his work around the world.

What art did Ika Sarkasi create and what techniques did he use? Give an opinion of his art work.

Sarkasi created a range of batik art using orchids as his focal idea. He used vivid colours to create his art work and blends complementary colours together. He uses plants and flowers within his designs and often repeats images. I can give an opinion about his art work.

What material is most effective for batik?

Allow children to use PVA and batik wax to create a simple image. Which did they find the most effective and easiest to use. Use a range of tools – canting and brushes.

How can I use dyes to blend colours?

Use a colour wheel to identify similar colours. Experiment with mixing different shades. Use the dyes to fill in a leaf outline, merging their mixed shades and tones together and blending the colours chosen.

Final outcome

Use examples of Sarkasi’s art work to sketch out their own templates/design. Use their chosen ‘wax’ to create an outline of their design. Use permanent dye to recreate the style used by the artist and blend similar shades. Iron off the wax.

Final outcome

Review my art work

Batik

Old, Japanese technique that uses a wax resist to create patterns and separate colour.

Wax kettle

Pot used to melt wax pellets to form a liquid

Permenant dye

A liquid that permanantly changes the colour of fabric

Canting

A tool used to apply wax in batik.

Final outcome

Create a piece of batik artwork inspired by Sarkasi

Supported with design and application of wax.

