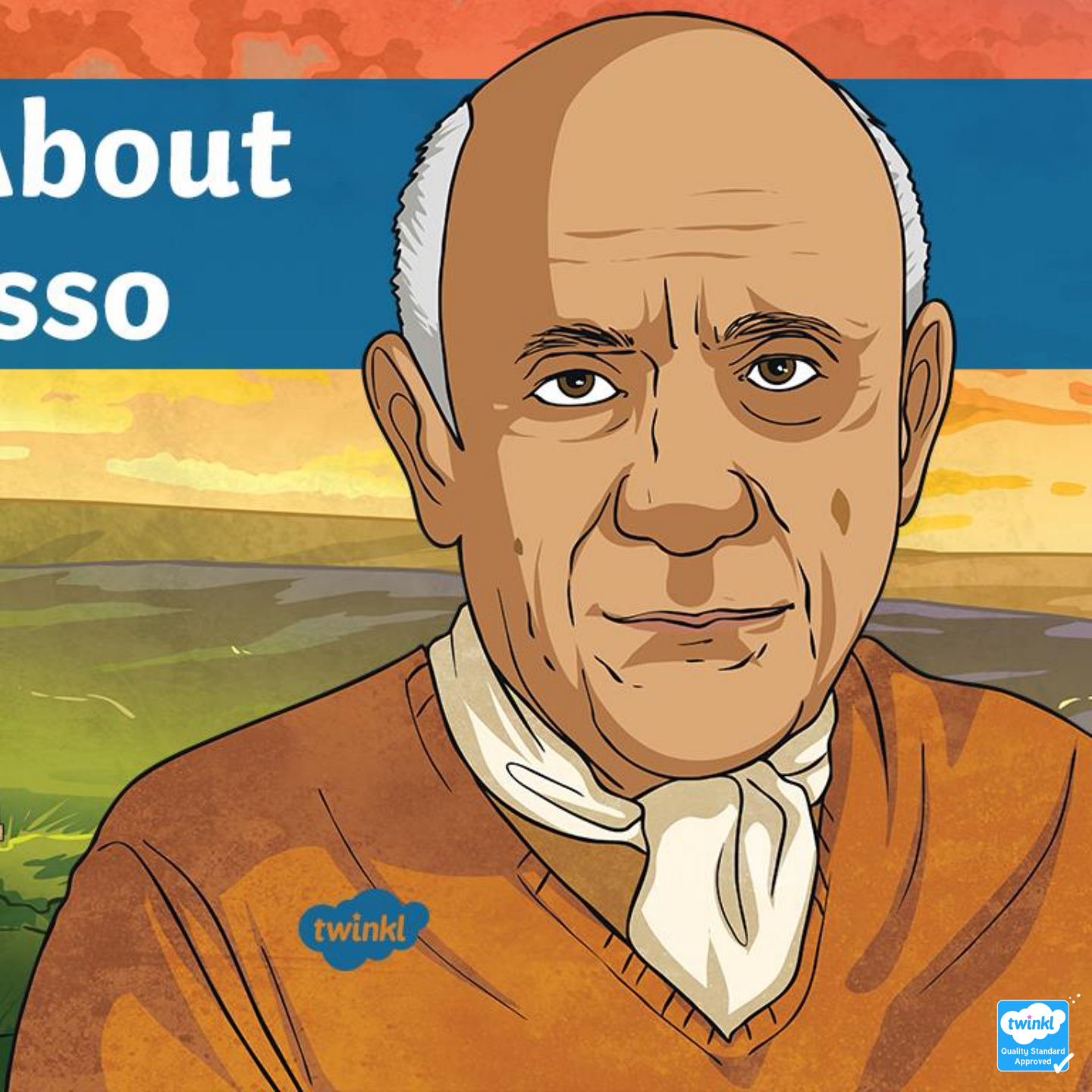


# All About Picasso



# Famous Artists

In thirty seconds, tell your partner the names of as many famous artists as you can think of.



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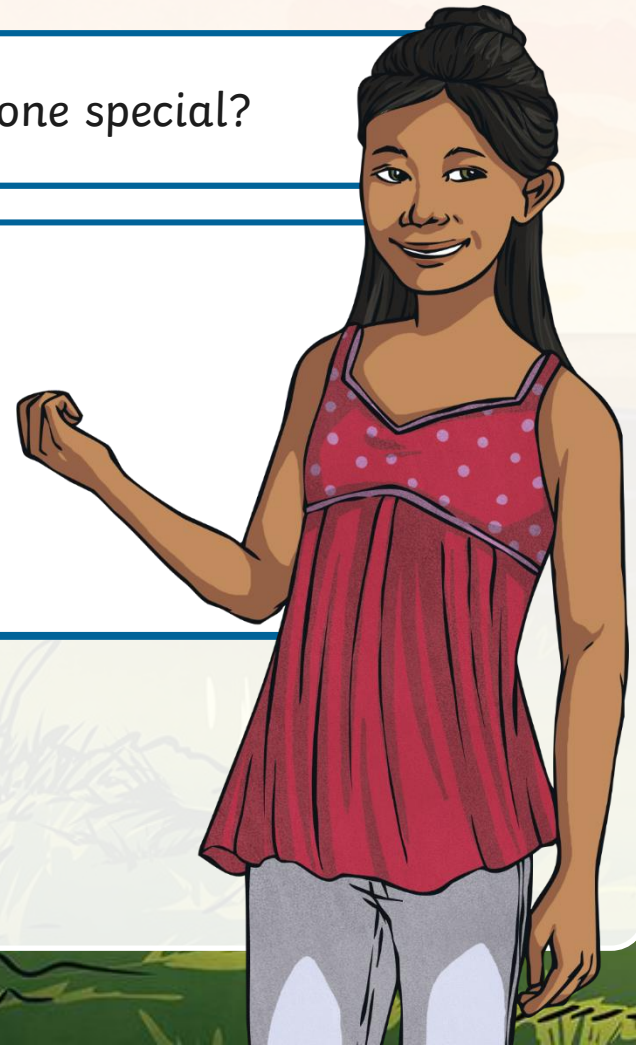
# Pablo Picasso

Are you named after a family member or someone special?

## Did You Know?

Picasso's full surname was Ruiz y Picasso. This follows the Spanish custom where people have two surnames. The first is the first part of their dad's surname, the second is the first part of their mum's surname.

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# Picasso's Early Life

Do you know what your first word was? Words like 'mama' and 'dada' are common first words. However, Picasso's mum said his first word was 'piz', short for 'lapiz', the Spanish word for pencil.





# Cubism

Along with an artist called Georges Braque, Picasso started a new style of art called Cubism.

Cubism is a style of art which aims to show objects and people from lots of different angles all at one time. This is done through the use of cubes and other shapes. Here are some examples of Picasso's cubist paintings.

What do you think about each of these paintings?

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Daniel Almon, *Almon*, 1910, 1910

# Picasso's Different Styles

How do you think Picasso was feeling when he painted them?

One of the most well known of these phases was known as his 'blue period'. This period lasted from around 1901 to 1904. At this time, Picasso was depressed. He found it difficult to mix with his friends and spent a lot of time alone. His paintings during this period were very serious and mostly done in dark blues and greens.

Other Picasso periods included his rose period, analytic cubism and synthetic cubism

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The Old Guitarist,  
1903

Women with  
Helmet of Hair,  
1904



# Guernica

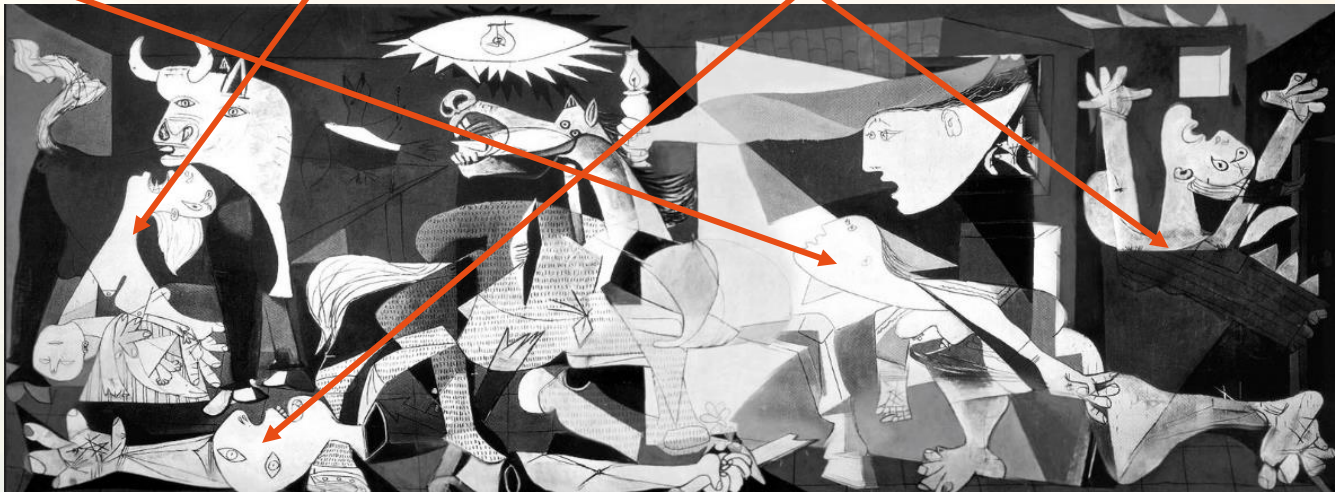
**civil war** – A war between people from the same country.



One of Picasso's most famous works of art is Guernica, which was painted in 1937. Guernica is a town in Spain. At the time, there was a **civil war** in Spain. Germany gave support and resources to one of the sides fighting. On 26<sup>th</sup> April 1937, German planes bombed Guernica for two hours. The town was destroyed and hundreds of men, women and children were killed. Picasso was horrified by these events and created this painting. The painting is 3.5 metres tall and 7.8 metres wide.

# Guernica – What Can You See?

Can you spot the following things in the painting: a man lying on the ground, a crying mother holding her child, a woman in a burning building, a woman running away.



What else can you see in the painting?

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# Other Mediums

As well as painting, Picasso was also a sculptor, a poet and worked with pottery.



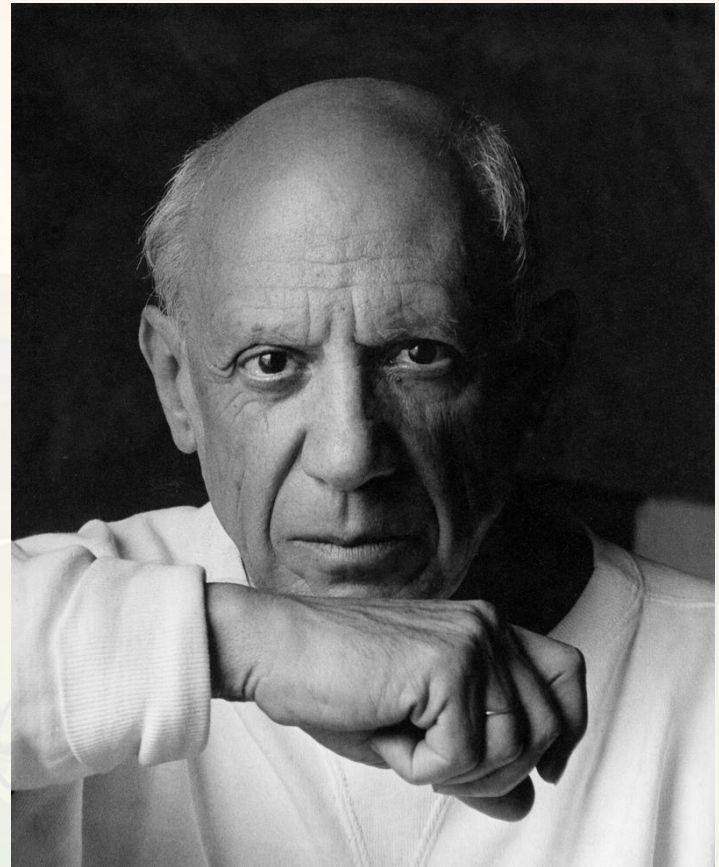
# Other Facts About Picasso

Picasso was married twice.

His first wife was a Russian ballet dancer called Olga Khokhlova. They had a son named Paulo. Although they split up, they never officially divorced. They were married until Olga's death in 1955.

Picasso married his second wife Jacqueline Roque in 1961. They were married until Picasso's death in 1973.

Picasso also had three children with two other women.





# Quiz

1. What country was Picasso born in? **Spain**
2. What animal did Picasso's father specialise in painting? **Birds**
3. After he finished art school, which city did Picasso move to? **Paris**
4. What type of art did Picasso co-create? **Cubism**
5. Which of Picasso's periods did we learn about? **His blue period**
6. What was the name of the town destroyed in the Spanish Civil War, also the name of one of Picasso's most famous painting? **Guernica**





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