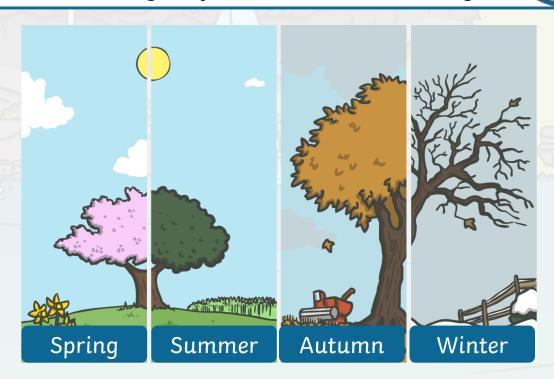


The Seasons

Talk About It

What is your favourite season and why?



Summer

The UK is a set of islands, which means land surrounded by water. This means that wherever you are in the UK, you aren't going to be too far away from a sea, a river or a lake.

Look at this scene. What words can you think of to describe it?

Water

In the summer, there are more hours of sunlight.
The way the light hits water creates interesting patterns.





Many artists have been inspired by water in the summer.

David Hockney is one of these artists.

David Hockney painted lots of outdoor swimming pools in the Californian sunshine. In 2018, one of them, Portrait of an Artist (Pool with Two Figures), was sold for £70 million!

A Bigger Splash

Look at this painting by David Hockney called 'A Bigger Splash' which he painted in 1967.

How does David Hockey suggest movement in the painting?

Did You Know?

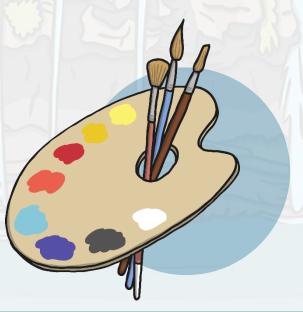
David Hockney said it took him longer to paint the actual splash than it did to paint the pink building.





Pool and Steps

This was painted in 1971.



What do you think the weather is like in the painting?



Garden

This is a painting of David Hockney's garden in California.

He painted it in 2015.



How is this painting different from the other two?

Sunshine on Water

Put some water in a clear glass. If it's a sunny day, put the water where the light will hit it. You could take the glass outside and put it in full sunlight. It not, you could shine a torch on it.

Think about other places you see water outside in the sunshine. It could be a river, the sea or a lake. You may have visited an outdoor swimming pool.

On a sunny day, some people put up a paddling pool.

Try It

You are going to create your own summer outdoor swimming pool painting inspired by David Hockney's paintings.

Things to think about:

- How many shades of blue will you use? How will you make these different shades?
- What other colours will you add to the pool?
- Will your water be still or rippling?
 If it's moving, how will you show movement?
- What else will be in your painting?



