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Happy 11th Birthday Ella Monet



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Claude Monet was a leader of the French Impressionist movement of the 1870s and 1880s. His 1873 painting *Impression, Sunrise* gave the style its name. Impressionist painting characteristics include relatively small, thin, yet visible brush strokes, ordinary subject matter, inclusion of movement, and unusual visual angles. Monet was a master colorist and painter of light and atmosphere. His work often achieved a remarkable degree of abstraction, which many generations of abstract painters have followed.



Monet's Impression Sunrise

Born in Paris to a grocer, Claude Oscar Monet moved at the age of five to Le Havre, a seaside town in northern France. The ocean and rugged coastline of the region had a profound effect on him at an early age, and he would often go for walks along the cliffs and beaches.



At an early age, Monet drew caricatures for 20 francs each & saved 2000 francs from his art sales. How do these compare to his later Impressionistic Style?

Impressionism continues to be one of the most reproduced styles of art today for calendars, postcards, and posters. Claude Monet's work is in every major museum around the world, and some very special people are even named after him.

Create your own version of Monet's paintings on the pages that follow. Each coloring page has an example of Monet's version. There is even a blank page if you'd like to start from scratch. ➡





Sunflowers by Claude Monet



Water Lilies by Claude Monet



Venice by Claude Monet