

Art Appreciation - Analysing Artworks



Image source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Ambassadors_\(Holbein\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Ambassadors_(Holbein))

The above portrait is a very famous painting called '**The Ambassadors**' by artist **Hans Holbein the Younger** in **1533**.

Task 1: Visually study the painting above, or better still, **view it** on wikipedia or Google Art Project and use the zoom tool to look at the details up close! (no need to find information on it – just use your eyes and mind for task 2)

Task 2: After your visual study of this painting, **answer questions 1-10** below:

1. Genre? (landscape, still life or portrait)
2. What **stands out most** in this painting?
3. Does the painting tell a **story**?
4. **Who** might these men be?
5. What kind of **character** might these men have had?
6. Is this an **unusual** painting do you think? **Why/Why not**?
7. What **objects** can you **identify**?
8. Are the **objects** '**sorted**'/grouped in any way?
9. What's that **object in the middle** of the floor?
10. What might it **stand for**?