

# Impressionism

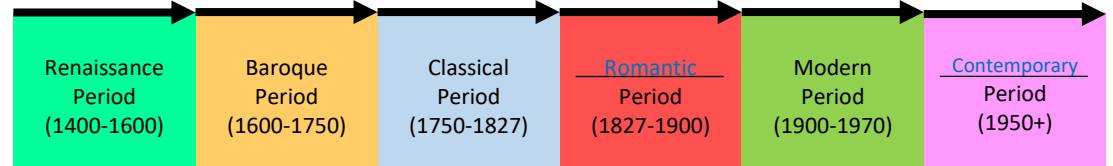
## Background information:

The 'Impressionist' movement began in Paris in the 1860s. It is said to be the beginning of modern art. Impressionist artists were not trying to paint a reflection of real life, but an 'impression' of what the person, light, object or landscape looked like to them.

Some of the most well-known impressionists are: Claude Monet, Pierre-Auguste Renoir and Edgar Degas.

## Art timeline:

Impressionism occurs at the start of the 'Modern' period in art history.



## The style...

Before impressionism, artists tended to paint inside. As impressionists were often outside they looked at how the sunlight changed the scenes. They painted quickly and used bold (and quite messy) brushstrokes.



Title: Luncheon of the boating party

Artist: Pierre-Auguste Renoir



Title: Etoile

Artist: Edgar Degas



Title: The Waterlily Pond

Artist: Claude Monet