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FOOD ART

Three-dimensional art can be very diverse. Examples are sculptures made out of stone, or objects made of clay, wire, or other materials.

diverse - verschieden

clay – Ton

wire – Draht

connected to – in Verbindung mit

era – Zeit(alter)

There are quite a few famous artists who were interested in creating art connected to food. A very famous era for “**food art**” is **Pop Art** (“popular” art), which was especially famous in England and the USA in the 1950s. Pop Art artists had the idea of making art with **things that can be found in everyday life** by

making them look very special. They liked to use



sandwiches, burgers, cakes, deserts and other things as their motifs and made them look extraordinary by using special materials and **playing with sizes**. A famous American food art artist is **Claes Oldenburg** who made giant food sculptures out of gesso and cloth. His exhibition was called “The Store”.

extraordinary – außergewöhnlich

size – Größe; hier: Größenverhältnis / Proportion

gesso – Gips

cloth – Stoff

exhibition – Ausstellung



An example of a contemporary artist who used the motif of food in his work is **Hans op de Beeck**. In his **installation** called “Staging Silence” in the Art Museum of Wolfsburg, he designed a room, which is completely white (in contrast to other rooms which are black or gray).



contemporary – zeitgenössisch



Within the room, there is a long white table with white chairs. On the table there are white place settings, napkins and coffee jugs. The only things that have color are some cakes and lots of cigarette butts in white ashtrays. Not only the colors are very extraordinary – the size of everything is much bigger than in

place setting – Gedeck

napkin – Serviette

coffee jug – Kaffeekanne

ashtray – Aschenbecher

to stage – inszenieren

funeral - Beerdigung

reality. Op de Beeck wants to stage a funeral party out of the perspective of a 6-year-old child.

Task 1:

Read the statements. If they are true, note down a T. If they are false, note down an F and correct the statement on an extra sheet of paper.

- a. Three-dimensional art includes paintings, sculptures or objects. ☐
- b. Artists in the era of Pop Art liked to create sculptures that look like food. ☐
- c. Playing with sizes means that the proportions are bigger or smaller than in real life. ☐
- d. A contemporary artist is someone who lives in our time. ☐
- e. Op de Beeck wants to make us feel like there is a normal party in this room. ☐

Task 2:

Copy the underlined words into your vocabulary book (or vocabulary box, smartphone, etc.).

Listen to the pronunciation of these new words online (e.g. www.dict.cc).

Extra: Test your partner on the new vocabulary. Then take turns.

Food Art Project: “THE GIANT MEAL”

Build your own food art sculpture!

Think of an **appetizer**, a **main dish** or a **dessert** that you would like to create with modeling paste. Make it look super **realistic** but **bigger** than in real life. When you have molded the shape, let it dry and **paint** it with realistic colors.

When everyone is finished, we will stage a dinner table similar to Op de Beeck’s coffee table...

You need:

- 500 g white modeling paste, air-drying (= 500g weiße lufttrocknende Modelliermasse)
- fine brushes
- a plastic bag and a plastic clip

You get:

- acrylic paint

giant – riesig

appetizer –
Vorspeise

modeling paste –
Modelliermasse

to mold –
modellieren

shape - Form

brush – Pinsel

acrylic paint -
Acrylfarbe

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Aspect	Comment	Assesment
Proportion: Object is bigger than in reality		
Realism: Object looks as realistic as possible (shape, color)		
Creativity / Complexity: Object looks special and shows that you have good modeling skills		
Photography: Idea is well planned (camera shot, angle, light, composition) and the photo looks professional		

Overall grade: _____**Sources (Pictures):**

<http://homosociabilis.blogspot.com/2015/10/simplifying-food-what-popular-culture.html>

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