

Activity 1

This picture was painted by the artist Albert Namatjira. It is a painting of the Mission he was brought up on. What is in the painting?

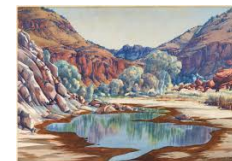
Create a picture that includes the home you have been brought up in. Think about the areas of the house you enjoy being in the most. Think about why you enjoy these areas.

Activity 2

Albert would play in the outdoors as a child. Think about the games you play in the outdoors.

Write some instructions explaining to someone how to play your favourite outdoor game. Don't forget to use those imperative (bossy) verbs.

Activity 3



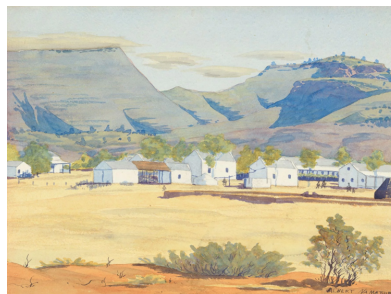
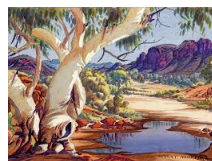
Lots of Namatjira's pictures are of the natural outdoors. The place he loved to be in.

Create a collage using materials from the natural world, illustrating a natural outdoor scene.

Activity 4

Namatjira loved painting the central Australian trees and bush.

Draw a picture of your favourite tree or plant. Include the surrounding bush.



Activity 5

Look at the picture you created for Activity 4. What does it look like? Where is it? What colours did you use?

Write a paragraph that describes your picture. Don't forget to include a simile and some descriptive vocabulary. Try and use at least 2 conjunctions.

Activity 6

View the Archibold prize winning portrait of Albert Namatjira by William Dargie.



Choose a well known indigenous Australian and draw their self portrait.

Why did you choose this person to draw?

Write a blurb about them.

TAKE ONE PICTURE

Albert Namatjira

Hermannsburg mission, about 1940

Activity 7

Many First Australians children were forced to live on the Missions. Think about the conversations the children might have had.

Write a conversation between 2 children on the mission.

Remember to use 'talking marks' to show who is talking.

Activity 8

The Hermannsburg Mission was painted in about 1940. How long ago was that?

Who was the Prime Minister of Australia when this picture was painted?

Research and identify the laws placed on First Australians during time. Were their rights taken from them?

How would you feel if you were in the same situation?

Activity 9

Namatjira loved painting landscapes. His paintings illustrated a spiritual connection to the land...a tranquility.

What is country to First Australians? Research its importance and write your understanding.

Activity 10

Create a final piece of your own art work using water colours, inspired by Namatjira's 'Hermannsburg Mission'