



Key vocabulary

Formal elements of art	The elements that make up a piece of artwork. They are: <i>line</i> , <i>colour</i> , <i>tone</i> , <i>pattern</i> , <i>texture</i> , <i>form</i> , <i>shape</i> and <i>space</i>
Tone	The lightness or darkness of a colour
Texture	How a surface feels or looks like it feels.
Pattern	A design that repeats.
Line	A mark that moves from one place to another. It can vary in width, length or direction.

Formal Elements

We can use the formal elements of art to analyse a piece of artwork:

The texture of the animals fur looks soft.

The darker tones below her chin show shadows.



The lines on the leaves create patterns.

The texture of her skin is smooth,

The thorn necklace is made up of jagged lines.

'Self-Portrait with thorn Necklace and Hummingbird' by Frida Kahlo

The different tones used to paint her top make it look like the cloth has folds.

Artists

Frida Kahlo July 6 th 1907 – July 13 th 1954	Frida Kahlo is considered to be one of the most important artists of modern times. She was famous for painting self-portraits and particularly famous for painting women as strong people.
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