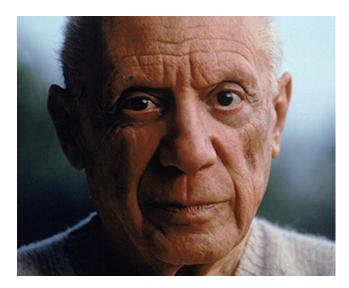


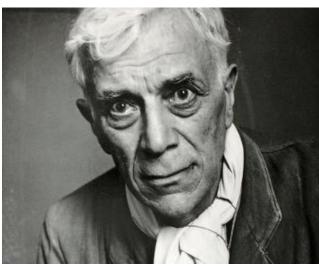
What's cubism?

- "A head is a matter of eyes, nose, mouth, which can be distributed in any way you like"
 Pablo Picasso
 - Do you agree?
 - Based on this quote, what do you think was Picasso's approach to painting?
- Do you think these two images both count as faces?









History

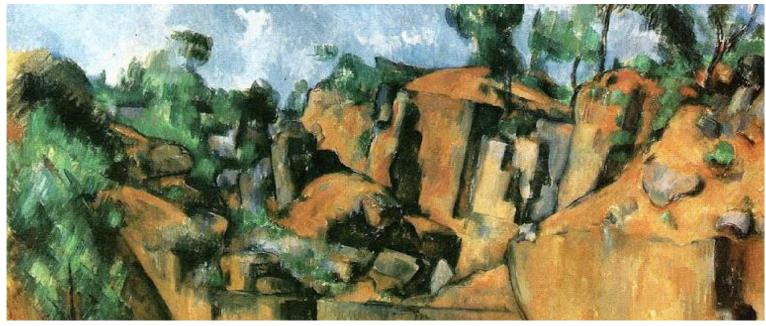
- Became a thing between 1907-1914
- Largely started by artists Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque
- Emphasized the flatness of the canvas and played around with perspective and geometry
- Up until that point almost all excepted art reflected nature and was mostly realistic
- Analytical Cubism
 - Limited colors
 - Mostly recognizable
- Synthetic Cubism
 - More brightly colored
 - Experiments in collage

Stages of Picasso

- Can you guess what came first?
- Can you tell which piece is from the analytical period and which is from the synthetic period?







Mask from the Dan tribe, painting by Paul Cezanne

What came first?

How do you think these objects influenced cubism?





Why does this matter?

- Huge impact on the art world
 - Shift to abstract art
- Impact on sculpture and architecture
- Challenges you to take a literal different perspective









More cubist artwork

Project

- Choose a person or object near you
- Choose a couple different colored papers and materials, a pair of scissors, and a glue stick
- In the spirit of synthetic cubism, recreate the person or object by cutting and pasting paper to your original sheet of paper

If you want to know more...

- https://www.tate.org.uk/art/art-terms/c/cubism
 - Article from the Tate Museum overviewing cubism
- https://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/cube/hd_cube.htm
 - Article from the Metropolitan museum of art about the history of cubism
- https://mymodernmet.com/what-is-cubism-art/
 - Article from the Mymodernmet blog overviewing cubism
- https://www.britannica.com/art/Cubism
 - Encyclopedia Britannica Entry about cubism
- https://www.moma.org/learn/moma_learning/themes/cubism/
 - Short article from the Moma Museum focused on cubism's effect on the art world
- https://www.guggenheim.org/artwork/movement/cubism
 - Guggenhiem Museum article about cubism and archive of cubist and cubism inspired artwork