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Words in the News

3D paintings

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Transcript

Looking good in the picture...

This museum in the Philippines **encourages** visitors to become part of the **exhibits**.

The **artwork** is designed so that, when photographed from a specific angle, **optical illusions** are created.

The museum is the **brainchild** of a group of Korean artists and features over 100 3D paintings.

Vocabulary

encourages

supports

exhibits

items shown in a museum or art gallery

artwork

a piece of art e.g. painting, sculpture

optical illusions

visual deception

brainchild

creative idea

Watch the video online: 3D paintings

<http://bbc.in/1ak5WNs>

Exercise

Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from news reports. Note that you may have to change the form of a word to complete the sentence correctly.

encourages / exhibits / artwork / optical illusions / brainchild

1. The mobile app, which is the _____ of two US university students, lets users communicate by sending each other photos that automatically delete after a few seconds.
2. _____ on show at the gallery include the first transatlantic cable which connected Europe and North America, the broadcast equipment behind the BBC's first radio programme in 1922, and Sir Tim Berners-Lee's NeXT computer, which hosted the first website.
3. _____ valued at more than £20,000 was stolen in a raid at a gallery.
4. "Keeping healthy by not smoking, maintaining a healthy body weight and being active can all lower the risk of cancer, and the more people can help and _____ each other, the better."
5. Residents in a Russian city have witnessed an _____ in the dawn sky, which created a triple sunrise.

Answers

1. The mobile app, which is the **brainchild** of two US university students, lets users communicate by sending each other photos that automatically delete after a few seconds.

Source: Snapchat valued at \$10bn by Californian investment firm

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-28952245>

2. **Exhibits** on show at the gallery include the first transatlantic cable which connected Europe and North America, the broadcast equipment behind the BBC's first radio programme in 1922, and Sir Tim Berners-Lee's NeXT computer, which hosted the first website.

Source: Science Museum exhibition explores the 'information age'

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-29753075>

3. **Artwork** valued at more than £20,000 was stolen in a raid at a gallery.

Source: Broadway gallery artwork valued at £20,000 stolen

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-hereford-worcester-31764666>

4. "Keeping healthy by not smoking, maintaining a healthy body weight and being active can all lower the risk of cancer, and the more people can help and **encourage** each other, the better."

Source: Fitness 'rubs off on your partner'

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-30877338>

5. Residents in a Russian city have witnessed an **optical illusion** in the dawn sky, which created a triple sunrise.

Source: Russia: Ice crystals cause 'triple sunrise' over city

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-news-from-elsewhere-31505470>