

## KS1 & KS2 Art Project

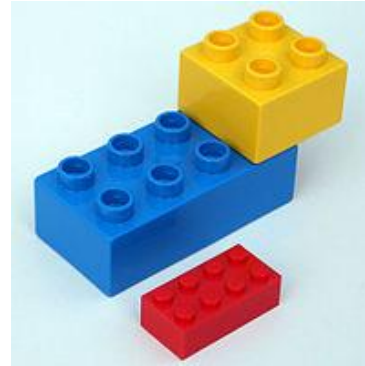
Art from Everyday  
objects and Materials

Week 6



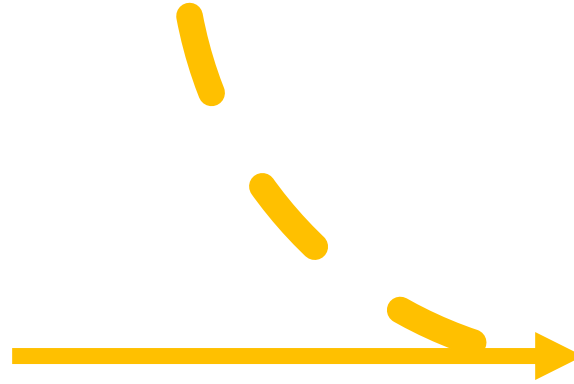
Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring the work of artists who use very **ordinary objects and materials** to make exciting and imaginative pieces of artwork.

You can work on these activities at school or at home, individually or as a group or family.



This week, we're going to take inspiration from New York based artist and designer,

Paula Scher



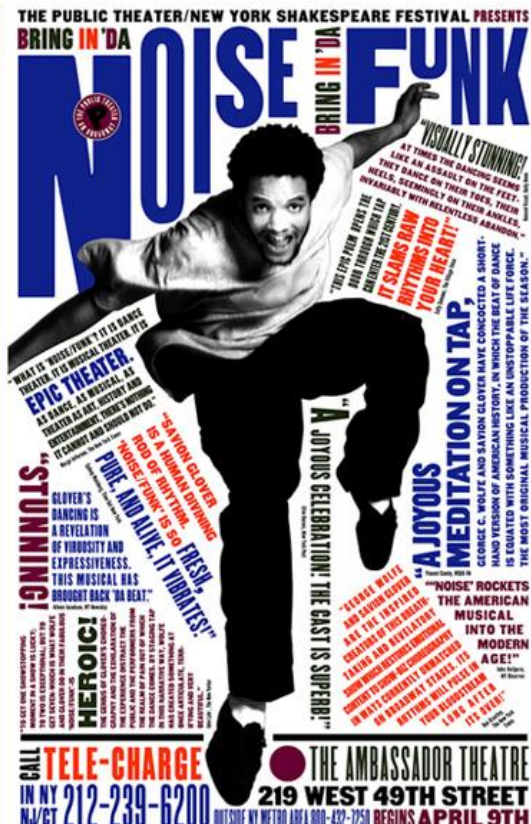
Born in Washington D.C. in the USA.  
in 1948.

Challenge: KS1: Can you find the USA on a world map?  
KS2: Can you find Washington D.C. and New York?





Paula Scher loves WORDS! In the art world, this is called **TYPOGRAPHY**. She has designed hundreds of logos, posters, signs, leaflets and record sleeves.



She likes to play around with the size, shape, colour and style of letters.





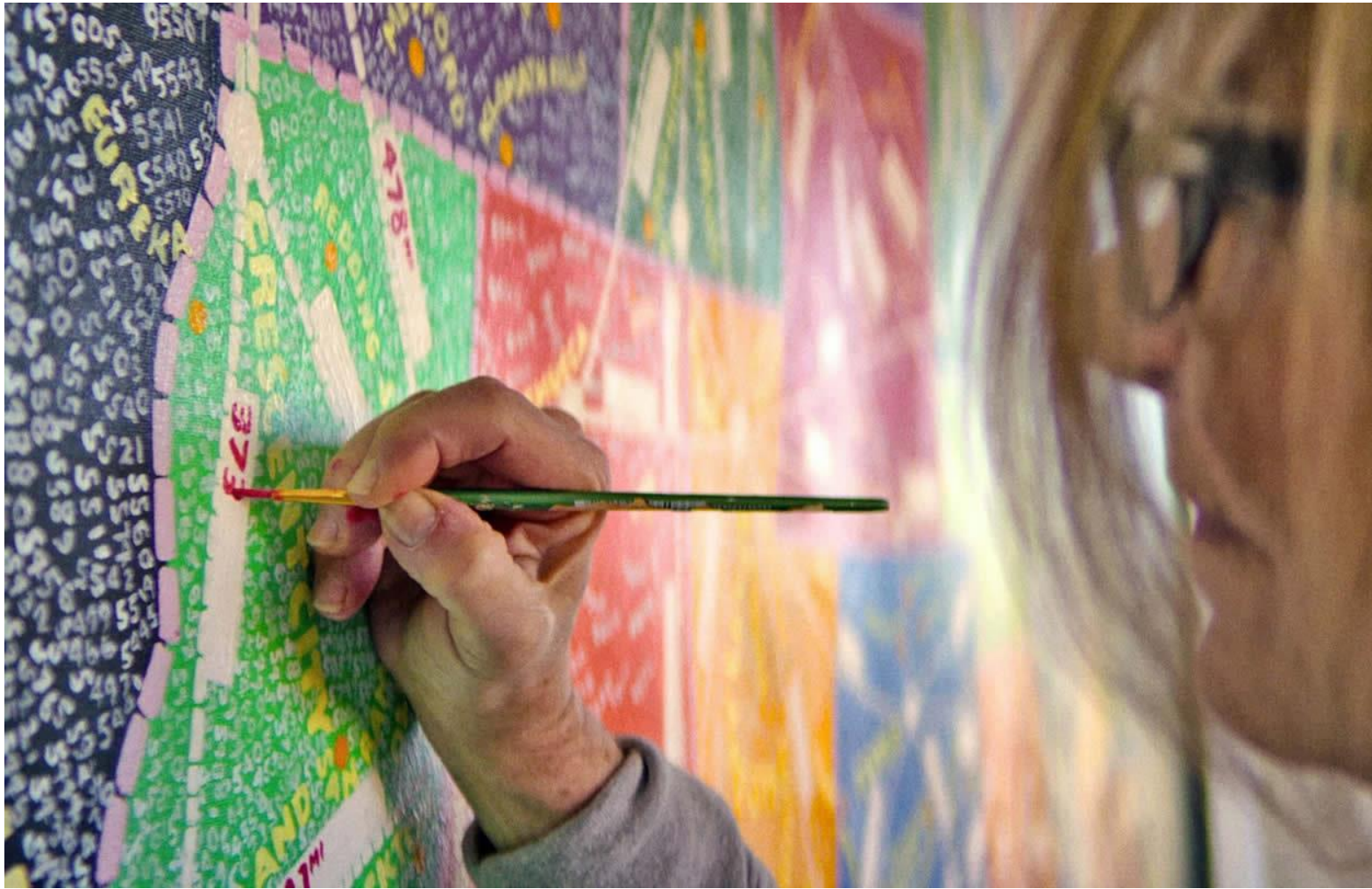
Paula's father was a map maker. In the 1990s, she started to make maps of her own.



Her maps are HUGE and full of words.







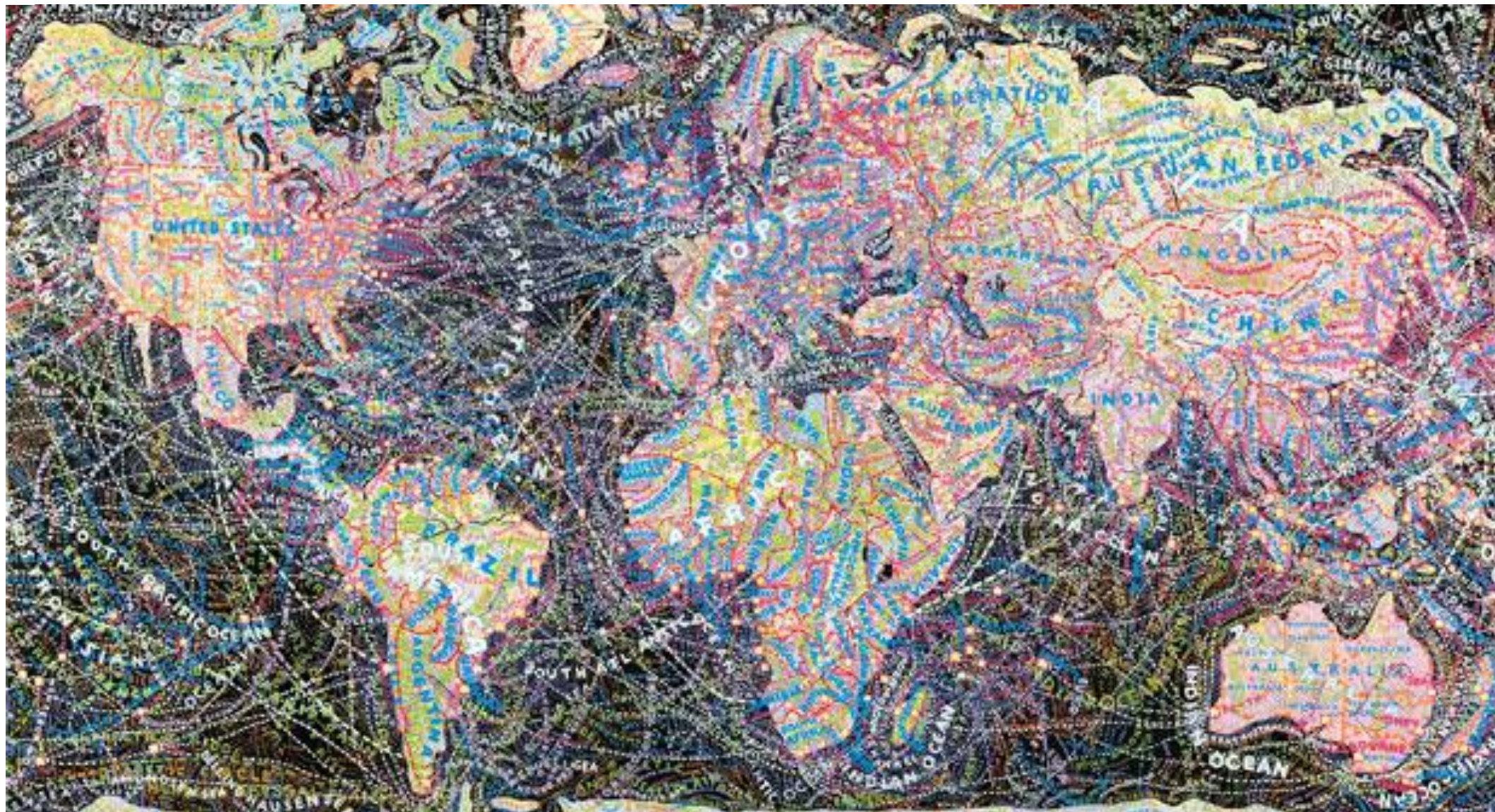
She paints the country, continent or ocean then fills all the space with words. The words might tell the 'map reader' interesting facts about the area as well as the name of the country or town.



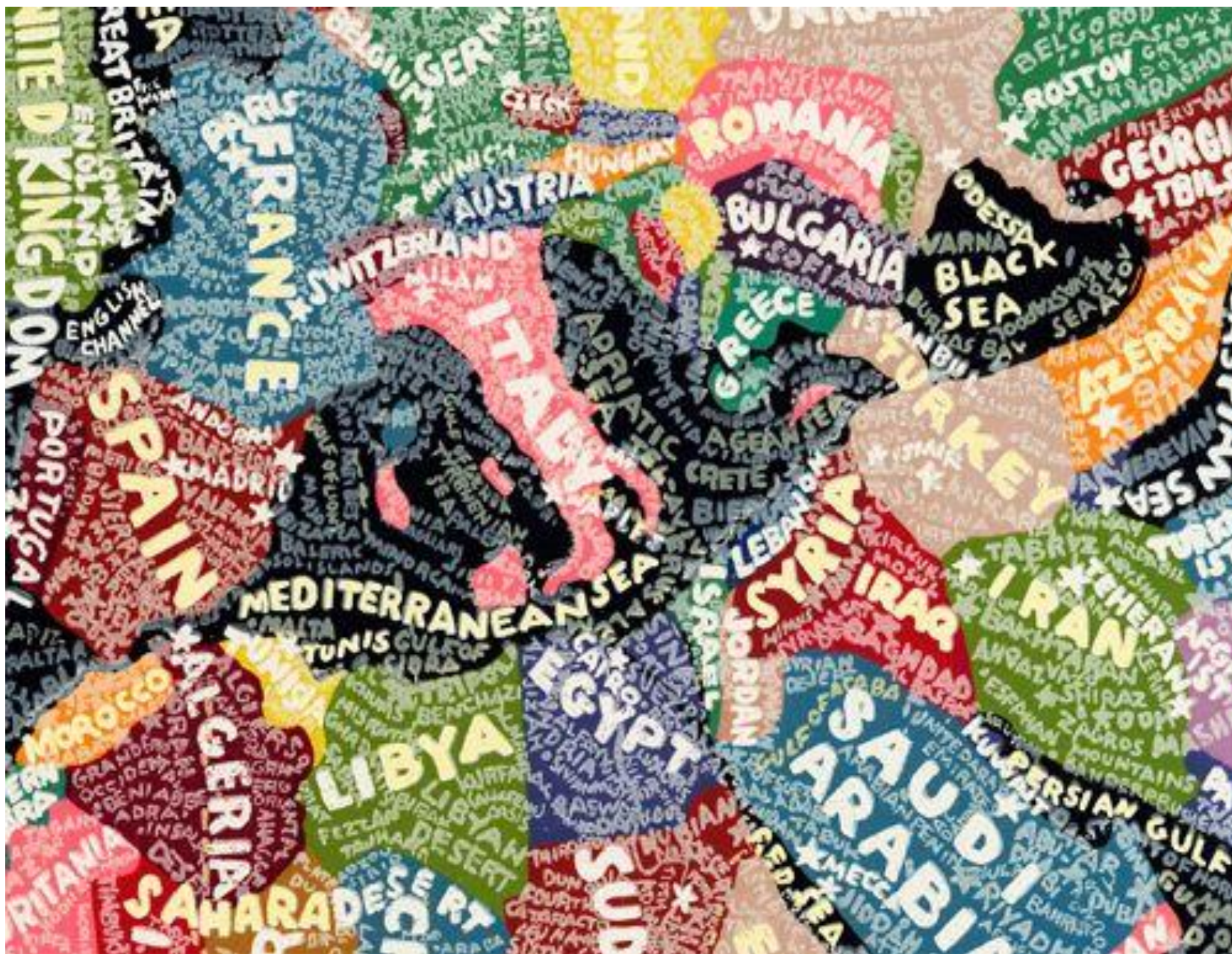




This is a very busy map of the world! Can you find the UK?







Look closely. What colours have been used for the countries? What about the seas? Do you like it?





This map fills the whole gallery!



We call this an  
**'installation'.**





Let's get making!

Choose from one of the following tasks...





Task 1: Make a map of yourself....

Option 1 – Go BIG!

Lie down on a big sheet of paper (or on the playground/patio if it's dry) and ask someone to draw around you. Next, fill the space with words which describe you, your interests, family, friends and so on. Think carefully about the size, shape and colour of your words. Should the most important things in your life be in really large letters? Will you use just your favourite colours?

Option 2 – Go small

Follow the 'Go BIG' instructions but draw or print an outline on A4 paper.



## Task 2:

Use a word cloud creator (such as <https://wordart.com/>).

Choose something or somebody to write about (family member, pet, favourite place.) Then write down all the words you can think of linked to this. After that, experiment with different shapes and different fonts. Finally, click on 'visualize' and download.



Here is an example of  
what you can create.



### Task 3: Calligrams

A calligram is a word or piece of text in which the design and layout of the letters create an image which links to the meaning of the word or words.



sunshine

snow

bugs

falls breeze

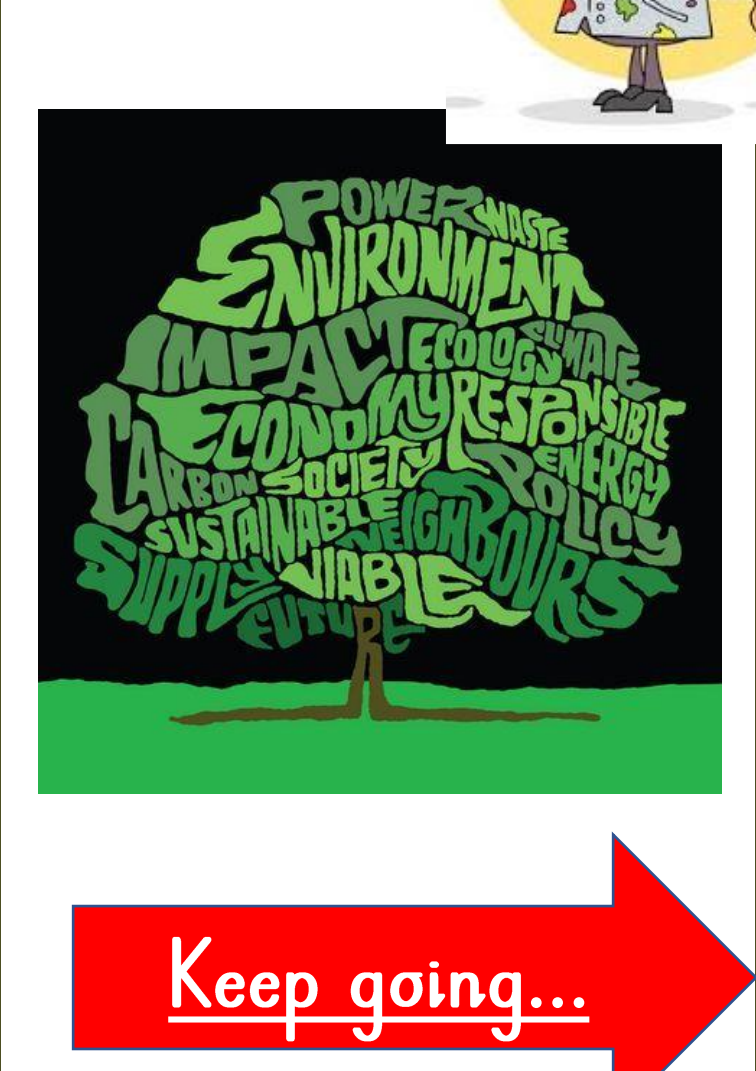
“riddle”

crinkly

More on the  
next slide....



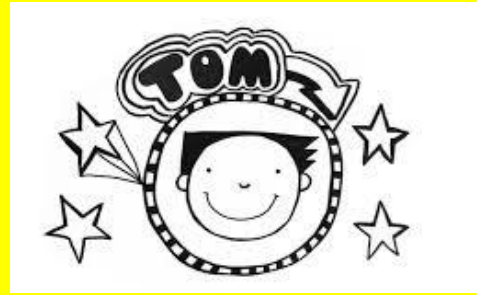
A cartoon illustration of a smiling painter. He has a large nose, a mustache, and is wearing a blue beret and a white apron with colorful paint splatters. He is holding a paintbrush in his right hand and a palette with various colors in his left hand. The background is a simple yellow circle.



Keep going...

Watch the clip below of Liz Pichon (author and illustrator of the Tom Gates books) as she shows you how she draws calligrams for her books.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2P7UDPec5Gc>



### Task 3:

Draw your own calligrams. Choose any words you like or use the activity sheet here:

<http://www8.scholastic.co.uk/tomgatesworld/wp-content/uploads/Tom-Gates-Calligrams.pdf> as a starting point.