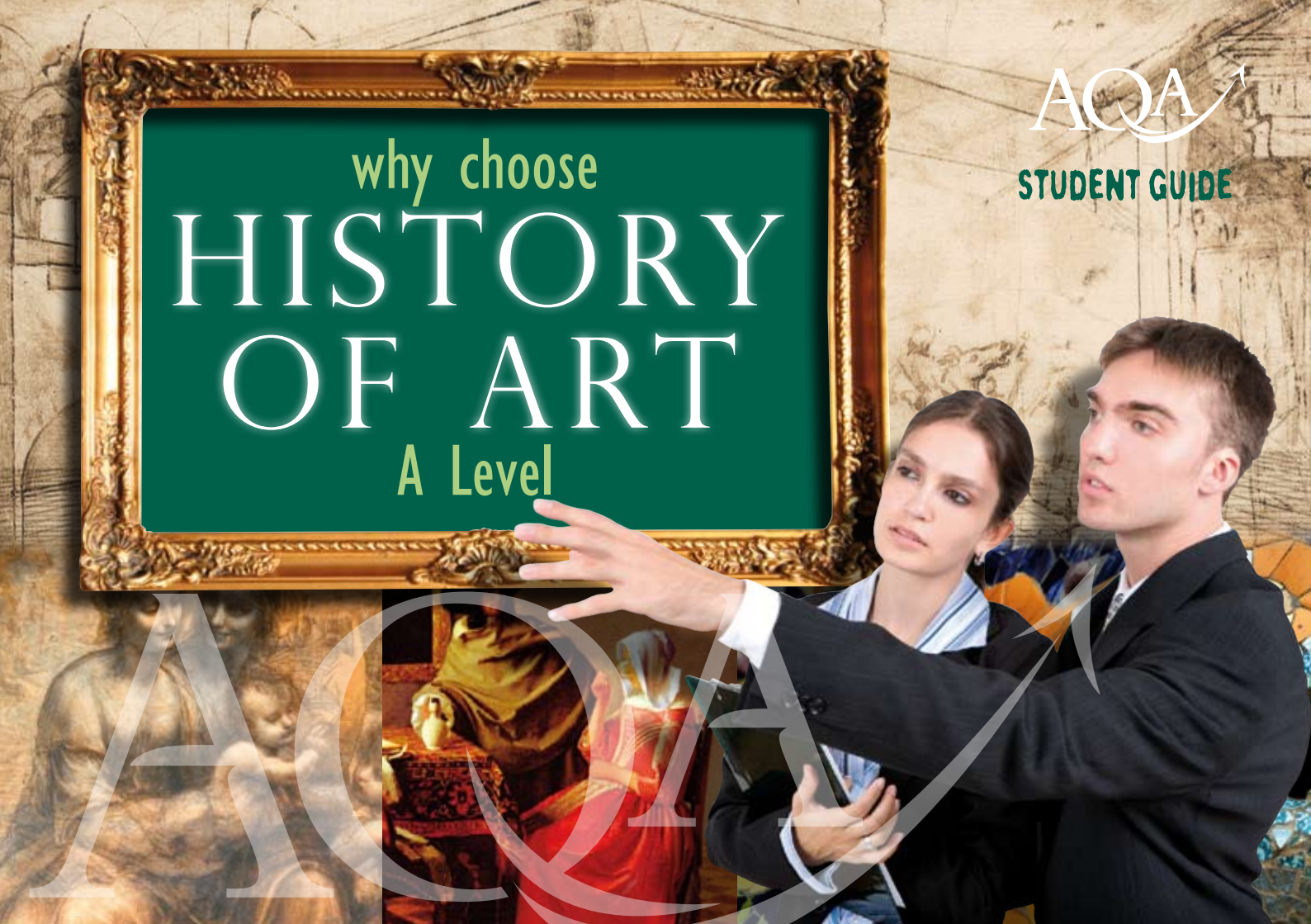


why choose
**HISTORY
OF ART**
A Level



A PASSION FOR ART

If you like painting, sculpture and architecture then you'll love this course. GCE History of Art doesn't just lead to an A Level in the subject and a wealth of career opportunities... it's the first step in your journey to appreciating art. Over two years the History of Art course will provide you with the skills to understand and appreciate Western art and architecture and visual culture. You will explore links between art, its contents and its contexts, developing the skills to evaluate art and its importance in the world. You'll also understand how the appearance of paintings, sculpture and architecture contribute to their meaning.

YOUR CAREER LAUNCHPAD

If you dream of working in the world of art or architecture, this course could be where you launch your career. You might want to become an art advisor or investor, gallery curator, freelance writer or even a film and television stylist. However you look at it, whether for work or pleasure art is a universal language. You might even get a school trip to Paris, Venice, Rome, Barcelona or other cultural hot spots.



ON YOUR MARKS...

In the first year you'll sit a one hour paper on each of the two themes you have studied. A pass in these two papers will be recognised with an AS level. In the second year you'll sit a 90 minute paper on each of the two periods you have chosen. Each second year paper accounts for 25% of the marks for your A Level.

YOUR KEY LEARNING TOPICS

The first year of the course takes a broad approach to the history of art. This is designed to give you a strong foundation in appreciating art from 500BC to the present day. The two key topics you'll study during the year are 'Visual Analysis and Interpretation' and 'Themes in the History of Art'.

During the second year of study you'll be able to study History of Art in finer detail. Plus you get to choose the periods of art which interest you the most. During the year you can choose two separate centuries to major on, from the 13th century to the 21st. That takes you from medieval religious frescos right through to Andy Warhol or Damien Hirst.



WHAT SKILLS WILL I LEARN?

History of Art helps students develop a number of skills:

- How to improve observational skills
- How to explore links between art, its contents and contexts
- How to evaluate art and its importance in the world
- Methods of investigating and analysing art and architecture



WILL IT FIT IN MY LIFE?

Students who take History of Art often also take Art & Design, History, English Literature and Humanities. But some students who are taking subjects like Mathematics and the science topics also take History of Art.

CAN'T WAIT TO GET STARTED?

Your tutor and career adviser will be the best people to help you decide whether this course is the right choice. They will be as passionate as you to find the best subject to develop your talents!

FOR MORE INFO, VISIT:

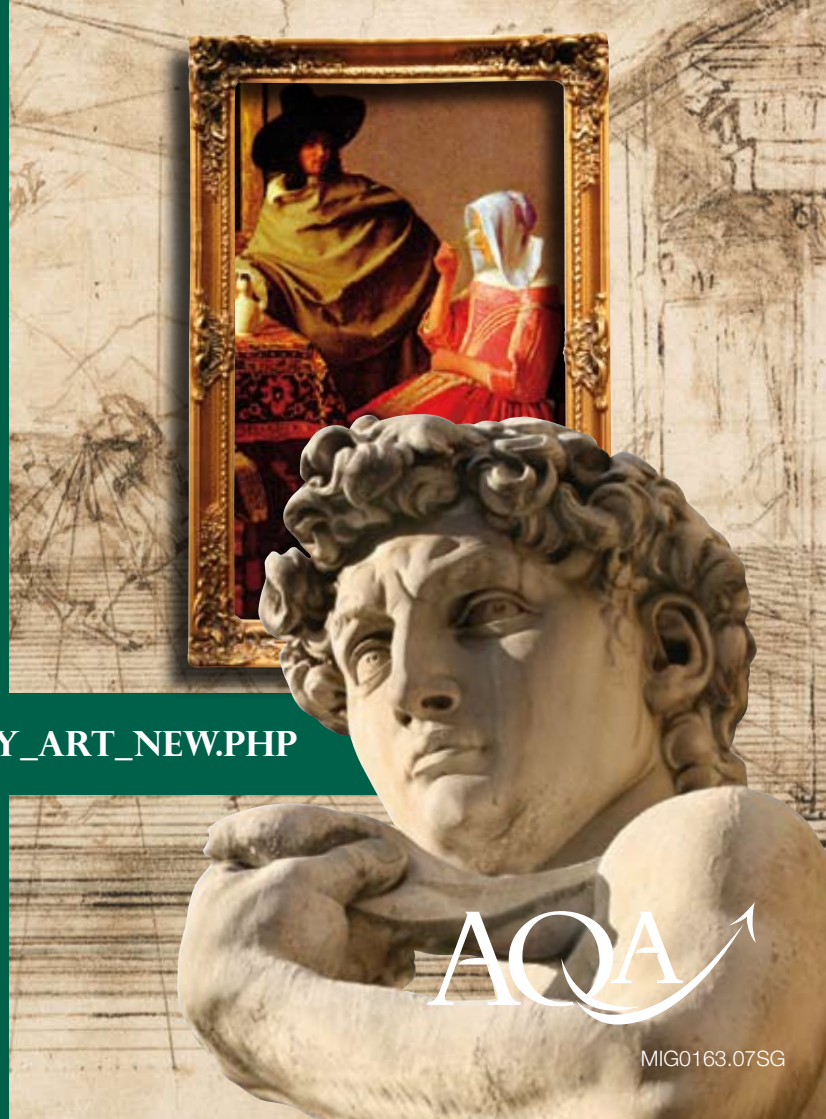
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