



PLACES

A WORLD OF PATTERNS AND SYMMETRY



o'KEEFFE

An American artist most famous for painting larger-than-life flowers.

HIRST

Damien Hirst is an English artist, born in 1965, who pioneered 'spin art' that makes patterns out of a spinning platform.

VAN GOGH

A Dutch artist most famous for his many paintings of sunflowers. He often used big swirls of paint to make colourful patterns.

KANDINSKY

A Russian artist who broke the rules of his time, by insisting that paintings do not have to have real-life subjects. He just used shapes and colours. The art movement he started is known as abstract art.

PENTAGON

The headquarters of the United States Department of Defense. The five-sided building was finished in 1943.

SAGRADA FAMILIA

A Roman Catholic cathedral in Barcelona designed by Antoni Gaudi, who incorporated natural designs throughout the building. It was started in 1883 but remains unfinished to this day.

PARTHENON

This temple, built in Athens and completed in 438 BC, is one of the world's most famous examples of symmetry in architecture.

THE PALM

Building began in 2001 of these artificial islands that take the shape of a giant palm tree.

TAJ MAHAL

Perhaps the most perfectly symmetrical building in the world, which is made of white marble and was dedicated to the memory of an Indian ruler's wife.

NAZCA LINES

As many as 300 giant images were made by ancient people by clearing dust paths in the dry deserts of Peru. They cover an area of more than 1,000 square kilometres. Many of them take the shapes of creatures such as monkeys and spiders.

