

ENGLISH ENTRY TEST, FEBRUARY 2024

STUDENT'S NAMEMark:/100

•READ THE TEXT ABOUT ARTIST FRIDA KAHLO CAREFULLY AND THEN DO THE ACTIVITIES. (60 marks)

Frida Kahlo was a Mexican artist. Her full name was Magdalena Carmen Frida Kahlo y Calderón. She was born in Coyoacán, near Mexico City, in 1907. Frida grew up in a bright blue house called La Casa Azul with her parents and sisters. When she was six years old she became **ill** with polio and her leg was permanently damaged.



Frida spent a lot of her life in and out of hospitals. She had many health problems and she suffered a lot of pain. When she was eighteen, she was in a bus accident. She broke lots of bones and she spent many months recovering. It was at this time that Frida started to paint. Many of her paintings from this time are **self-portraits** that

show her pain and suffering.

In 1929 Frida married Diego Rivera, a Mexican artist who was famous for painting **huge** murals on walls. Both artists continued their work and became successful at home and abroad. After they got married, Frida started to wear traditional Mexican clothes and became interested in Mexican folk art. This influenced her paintings, which are very bright and colourful, with an original style that is very personal to Frida. However, they continued to show the pain and sadness which she experienced during her life.

Frida Kahlo died on 13 July 1954, after suffering more and more health problems. Her husband died three years later. Today Frida and Diego's home, La Casa Azul, is a very popular museum, dedicated to Frida's life and work. It displays **paintings** by Frida and Diego, as well as many objects from their life, to help tell the story of one of the most important artists in the twentieth century.

1. PUT THE HEADINGS IN THE CORRECT BOX IN THE TEXT. (8 marks)

Married life and career

Starting to paint

Early life

Death and legacy

2. MATCH THE WORDS WITH THEIR DEFINITIONS. (8 marks)

self-portrait

a picture made using paint

ill

a picture, photograph, or piece of writing that you make of or about yourself

huge

not feeling well, or suffering from a disease

painting

extremely big

3. WHY DID FRIDA START TO PAINT? ANSWER IN YOUR OWN WORDS. (12 marks)

3. PUT THE SENTENCES IN ORDER ACCORDING TO THE TEXT USING NUMBERS. (16 marks)

	Frida started painting self-portraits.
	Frida became interested in folk art.
	Frida grew up in a blue house.
	Frida died of an illness.
	Frida had an accident on a bus.
	Frida's husband Diego died.
	Frida got married to Diego Rivera.
	Frida became ill with polio.

4. TRUE OR FALSE? CIRCLE TRUE OR FALSE FOR THESE SENTENCES. (16 marks)

- a. Frida was born near Mexico City. **true** **false**
- b. Frida recovered quickly after her bus accident. **true** **false**
- c. Lots of Frida's paintings show her unhappiness. **true** **false**
- d. Frida's husband was an artist too. **true** **false**
- e. After getting married, Frida stopped painting. **true** **false**
- f. Frida's paintings are full of colour. **true** **false**
- g. Frida was healthy and strong. **true** **false**
- h. The place where Frida grew up is now a school. **true** **false**

WRITE AND DRAW (40 marks)

WHO ARE YOUR FAVOURITE ARTISTS? DRAW A PICTURE AND WRITE ABOUT THEM.

A large rectangular box with a solid black border, intended for drawing and writing. The lower portion of the box contains 12 horizontal dotted lines, providing a guide for writing the student's response to the question about their favorite artists.

