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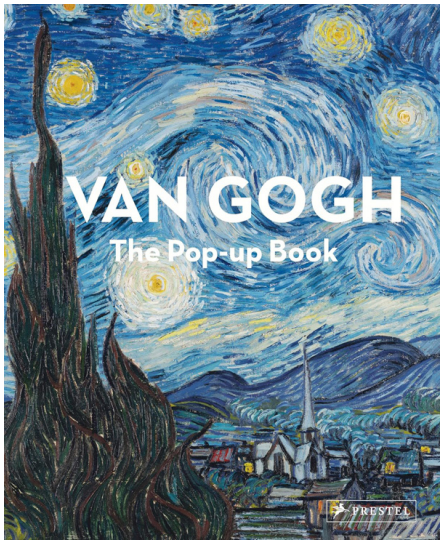
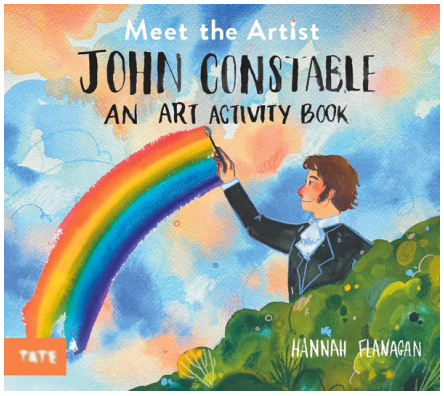
Five art books for boys aged four and five



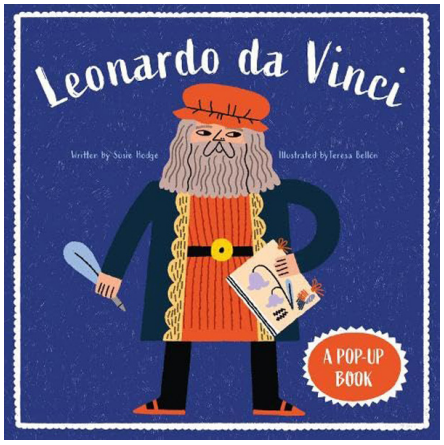
Van Gogh – The Pop-Up Book
David A. Carter

Five of Van Gogh's paintings become paper scenes. *The Bedroom* brings its furniture forward; *Café Terrace at Night* opens onto the street; *Almond Blossom* sets its branches against the sky. Open one spread with your son and look at how the pop-up has been made from the painting.



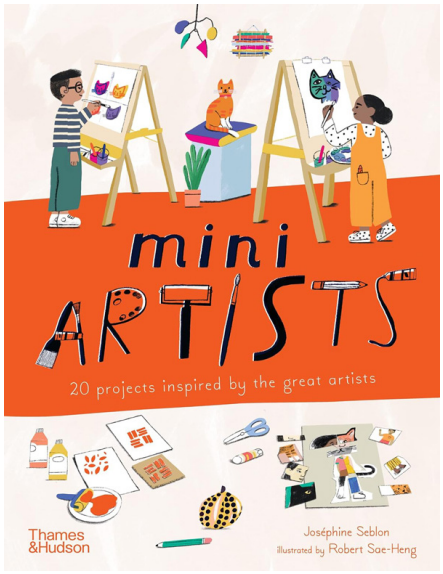
Meet the Artist – John Constable
Hannah Flanagan

Constable repeatedly painted the English countryside and its changing skies. This Tate book pairs his landscapes with drawing and making activities, including a small viewer for studying clouds. Make the viewer with your son, look out of the window, then turn back to Constable's sky.



Leonardo da Vinci – A Pop-Up Book
Susie Hodge, illustrated by Teresa Bellón

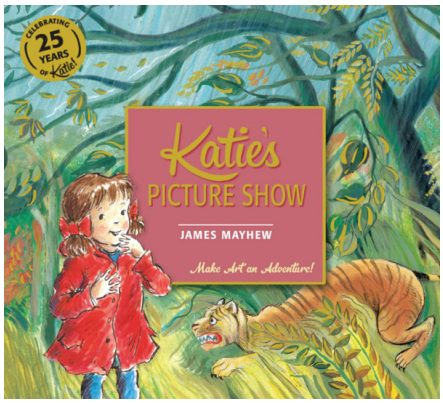
Pop-ups introduce Leonardo's paintings and designs for machines. Short passages place him in the courts of Renaissance Italy and France; speech bubbles quote his writings.



Mini Artists – 20 Projects Inspired by the Great Artists

Joséphine Seblon, illustrated by Robert Sae-Heng

Twenty Projects begin with artists' work and shows boys something they can attempt themselves. Your son can drip paint after Jackson Pollock or carve a small soap sculpture after Barbara Hepworth. The materials are simple, but the starting point is a particular artist's way of working.



Katie's Picture Show

James Mayhew

Katie visits a gallery with her grandmother and steps into five paintings. She encounters Constable's *The Hay Wain*, Renoir's *The Umbrellas* and the tiger in Rousseau's *Tropical Storm*. After the story, go back through the pictures with your son and find where Katie's adventure meets each original painting.