



# Saint Elizabeth's Knowledge Mat



**Year:** Four

**Subject:** Art (Textiles)

**Topic:** Art Deco



An Art Deco vase by Charles Catteau.

## 1. What I should already know:

- Y1 - 'The Beauty of Flowers' - Georgia O'Keeffe and 'African fabric design'
- Y2 - 'Strawberry Thief' - William Morris
- Y3 - 'Who Is L.S. Lowry?' - Artist study

## 2. Sticky Knowledge:

Know that the Art Deco style was created using geometric shapes, influenced by the style of Cubism.

Know that the 1920s Art Deco style was influenced by ancient Egyptian art and explain this influence.



## 3. Diagram/ picture/ quotation:

Art Deco is heavily influenced by ancient artwork. Note the similarities between the reeds depicted on the Egyptian scroll and the decorative motif used for the elevator doors of the Chrysler Building.



You can also see the appropriation of the Ancient Egyptian temple form in the Cartier Temple clock



Famous artists and designers who successfully used the Art Deco style include:



Artists and artisans

- René Lalique (1860-1945) French jewellery and glass designer
- Charles Catteau (1880-1966) French designer
- Herman Sachs (1883-1940) Romanian designer
- Sonia Delaunay (1885-1979) French artist and designer
- Rene Paul Chambellan (1893-1955) American sculptor
- Tamara de Lempicka (1898-1980) Polish painter

## 4. Important vocabulary and facts:

<b>Geometric</b>	Made of simple forms and shapes such as circles and triangles
<b>Aluminium</b>	A light metal
<b>Jade</b>	A hard stone, usually coloured green
<b>Chrome</b>	A metal plated with chromium
<b>Sleek</b>	Smooth, shiny, expensive looking
<b>Streamlined</b>	Has a trim, smooth, modern looking shape
<b>Traditional</b>	Older methods and ideas used for a long time
<b>Sophistication</b>	Being intelligent, knowing about fashion and culture