



The Arts— About the Arts



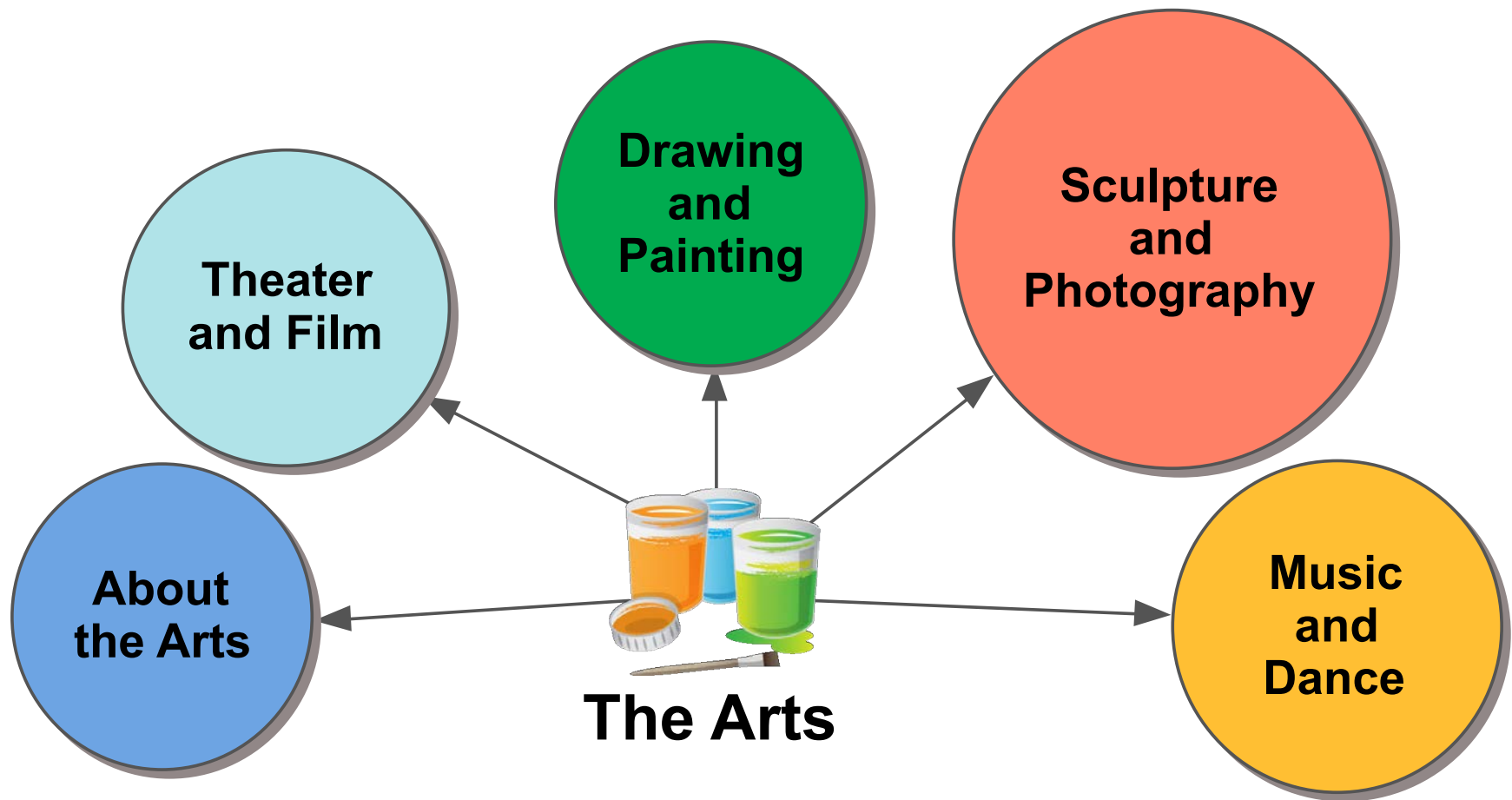
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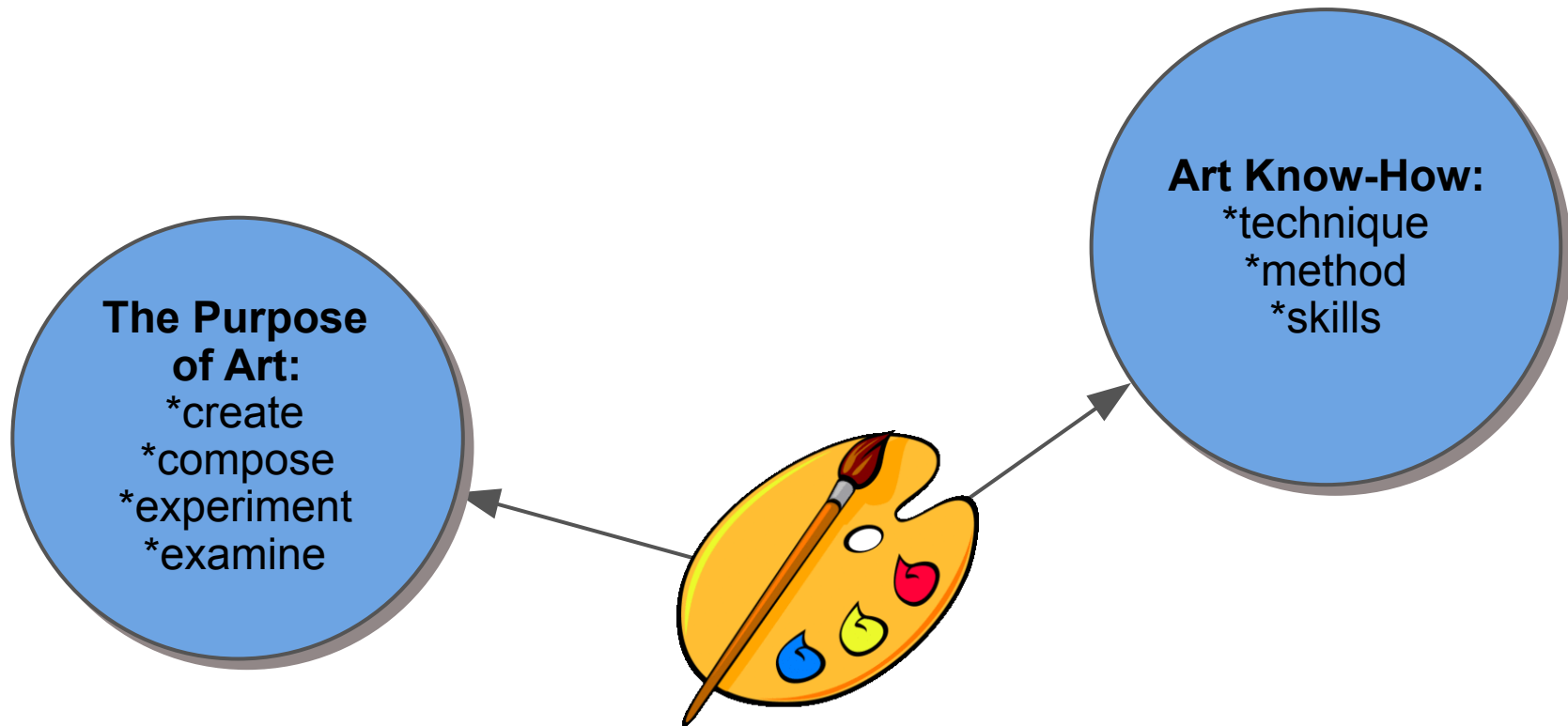
The Arts

Art is the creation of beauty through different types of materials. Anyone can be an artist. There are lots of core vocabulary words that describe the arts. We've grouped them into five categories.



About the Arts

Art is all around us. Artists create their works of art for different reasons and use different methods to create specific kinds of art. In the process of creating art, artists use their know-how, or knowledge of how to get things done, to create unique works of art for the world to enjoy.



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create (cre·ate)

To create means to make something.



compose

(com·pose)

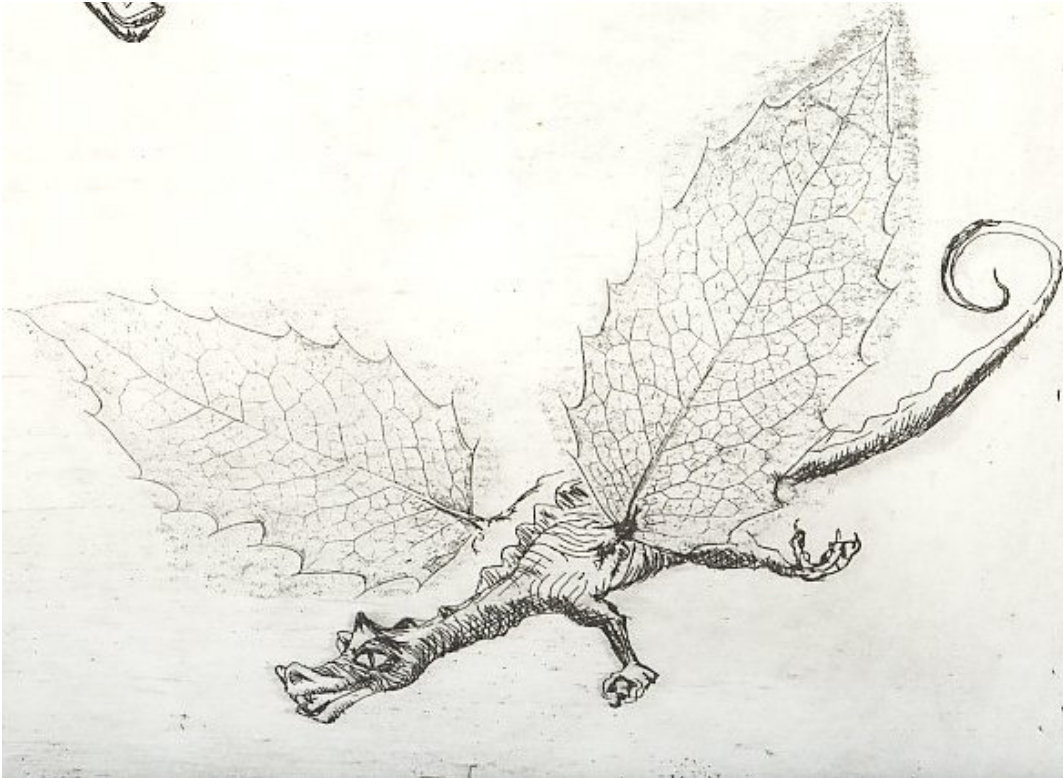


To *compose* means to arrange or put together.

experiment

(ex·per·i·ment)

An *experiment* is a test to see how well or how badly something works. Artist experiment with different materials and styles to create all kind of art.



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examine

(ex·am·ine)

To *examine* means to question closely. Many people use art to examine the world.



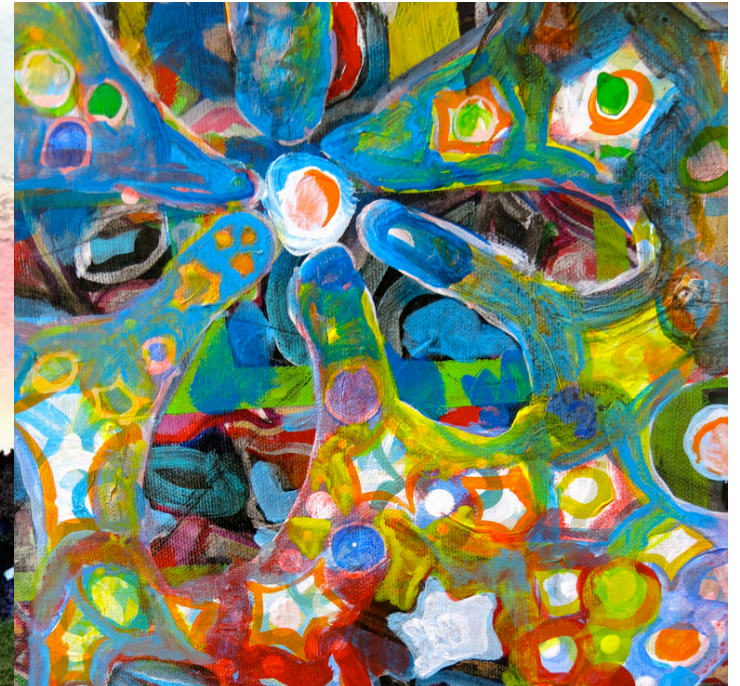
method

(meth·od)



technique

(tech·nique)

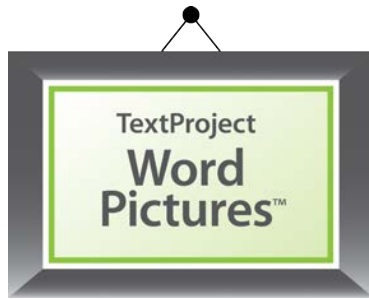


A *method* or *technique* is a way of doing something to create something specific.



skills (skills)

A *skill* is something you do that gets better when you practice.



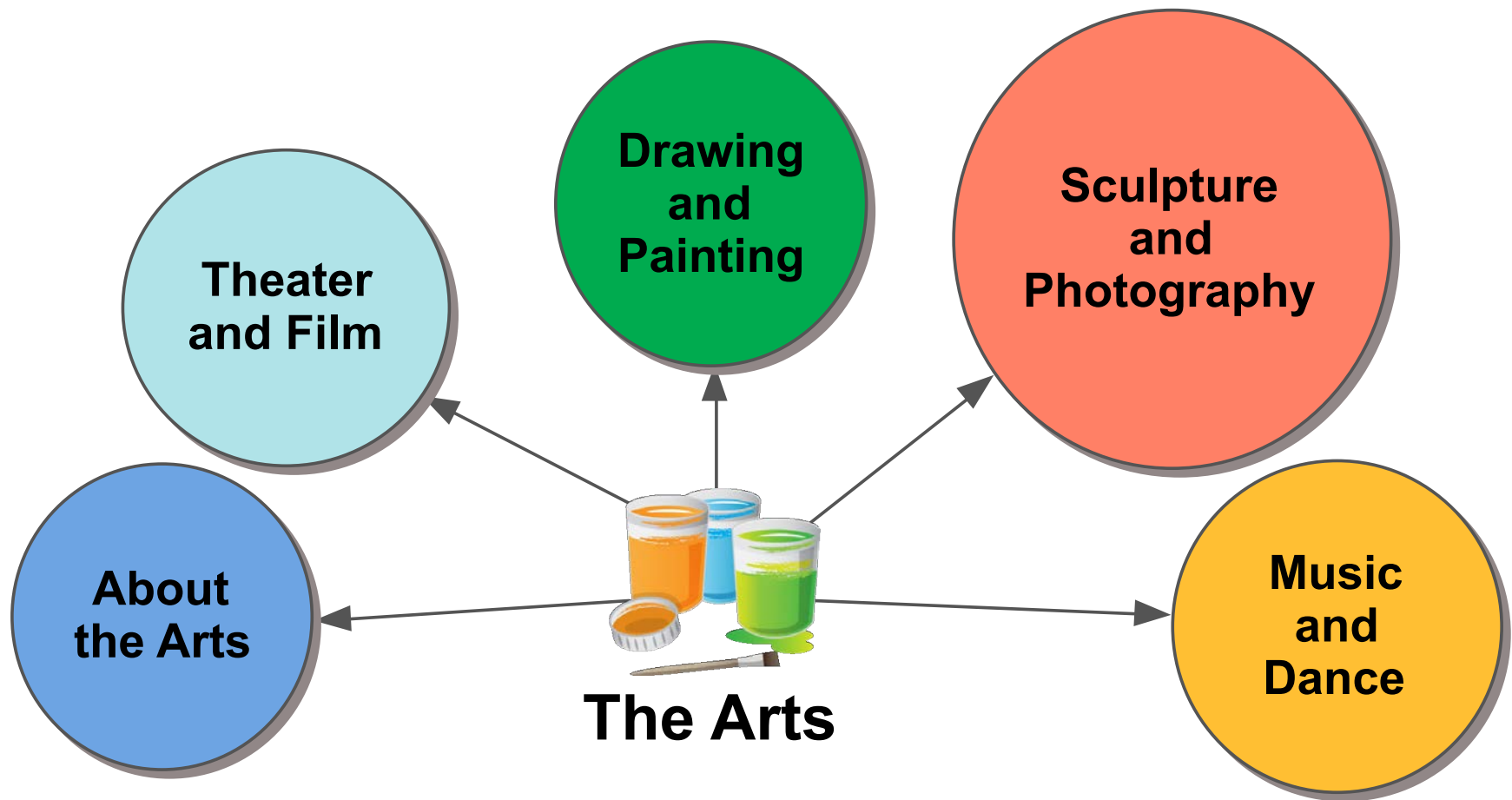
The Arts— Theater and Film



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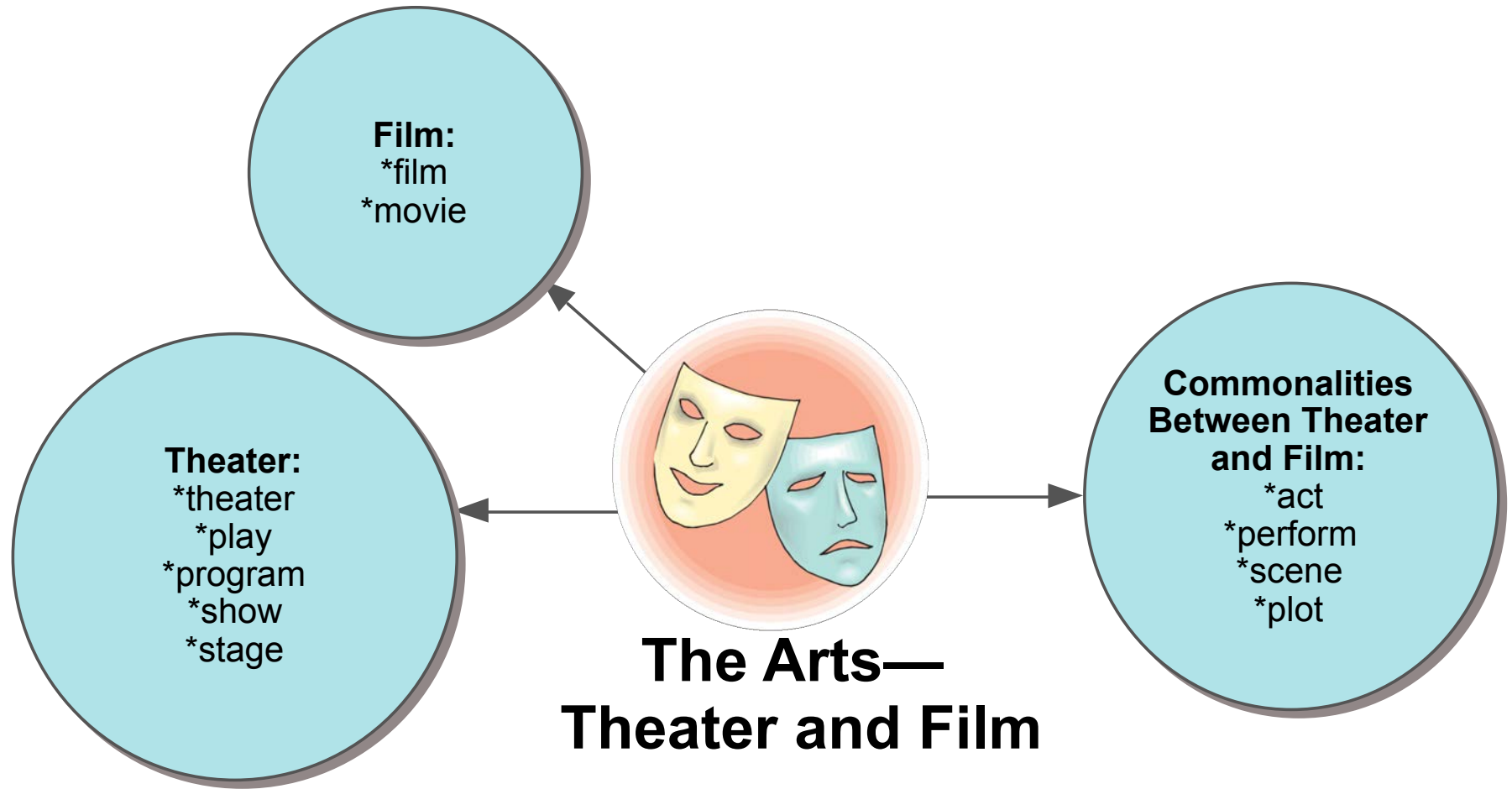
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Theater and Film

Have you ever gone to see a play or a movie in a theater? Theater and film are often considered a form of art. Although theater and film share many commonalities they are also very different.



theater

(the·ater)

A *theater* is a building where plays are acted out or movies are shown. The word Theater also refers to plays or the performance of plays.



play (play)

A *play* is a story acted out on stage.



show (show)

program (pro·gram)

A *show* or *program* is an event where people play music, act in play, or dance.



stage

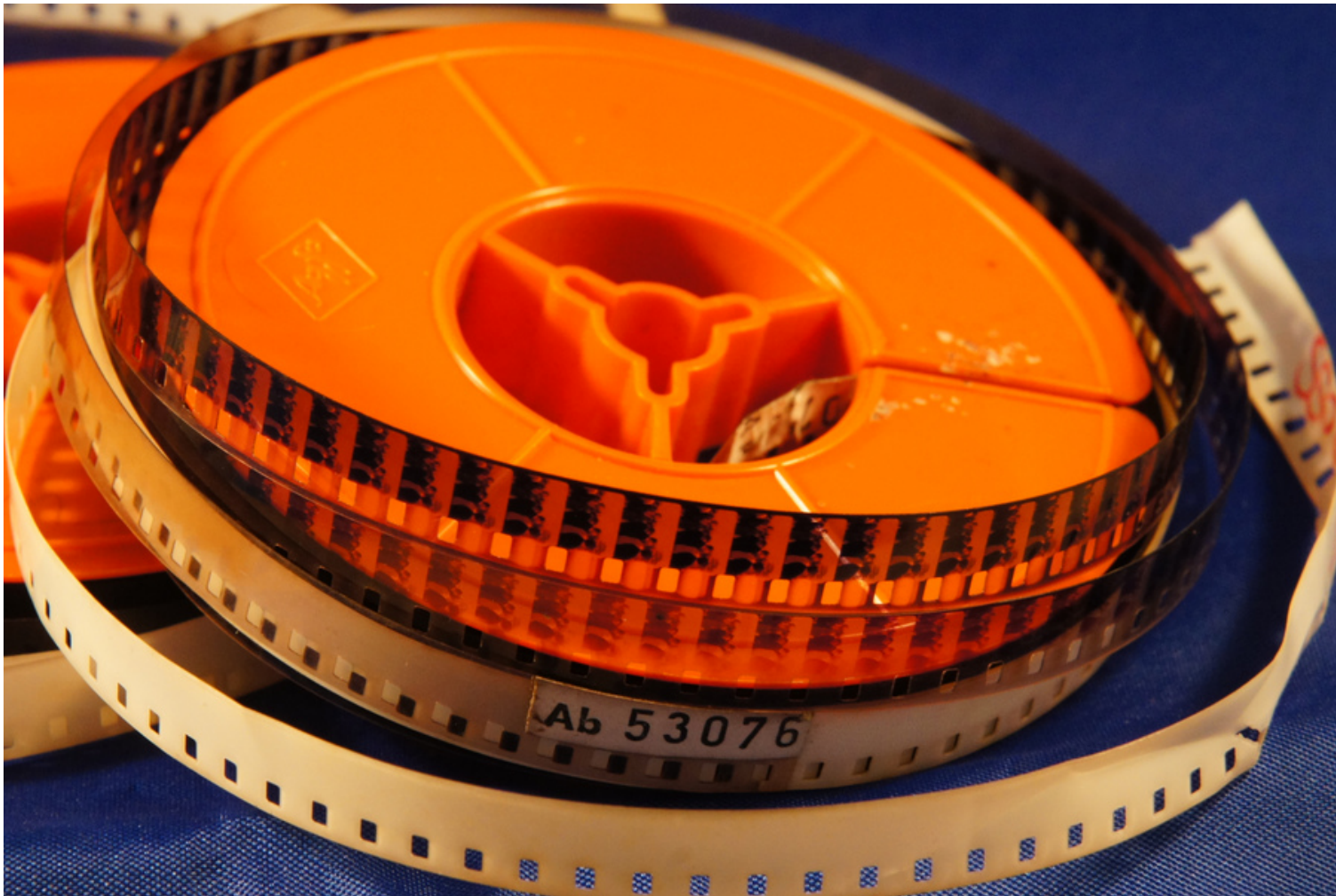
(stage)

A *stage* is a platform that musicians, dancers, and actors perform on.



film (film)

A *film* is a motion picture or movie. The word film is also used to describe a roll or strip of thin flexible material used to make movies.



movie

(mov·ie)

A *movie* is a story told through motion pictures. Movies are watched in theaters or at home on DVD and VHS.

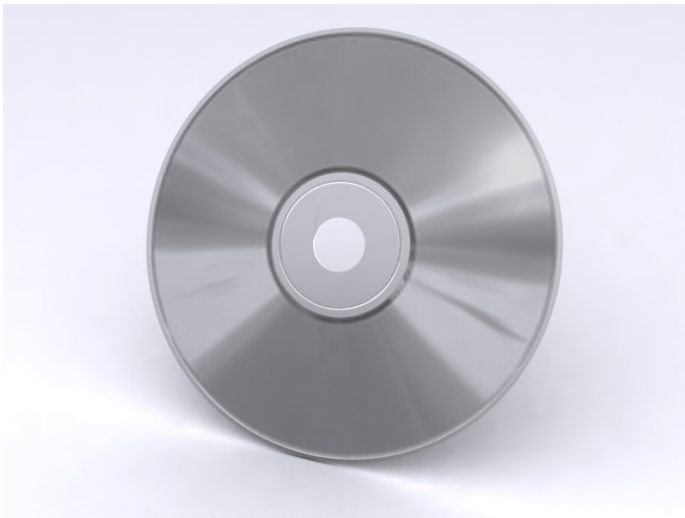


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perform

(per·form)



act

(act)

To *act* means to perform on stage as a character. To *perform* means to do something that takes skill.

People in theater and film perform by acting like other people. Being a good actor takes skill.

scene (scene)

A *scene* is a small part of a motion picture or play.



plot

(plot)

The *plot* of a film or play is the main story.



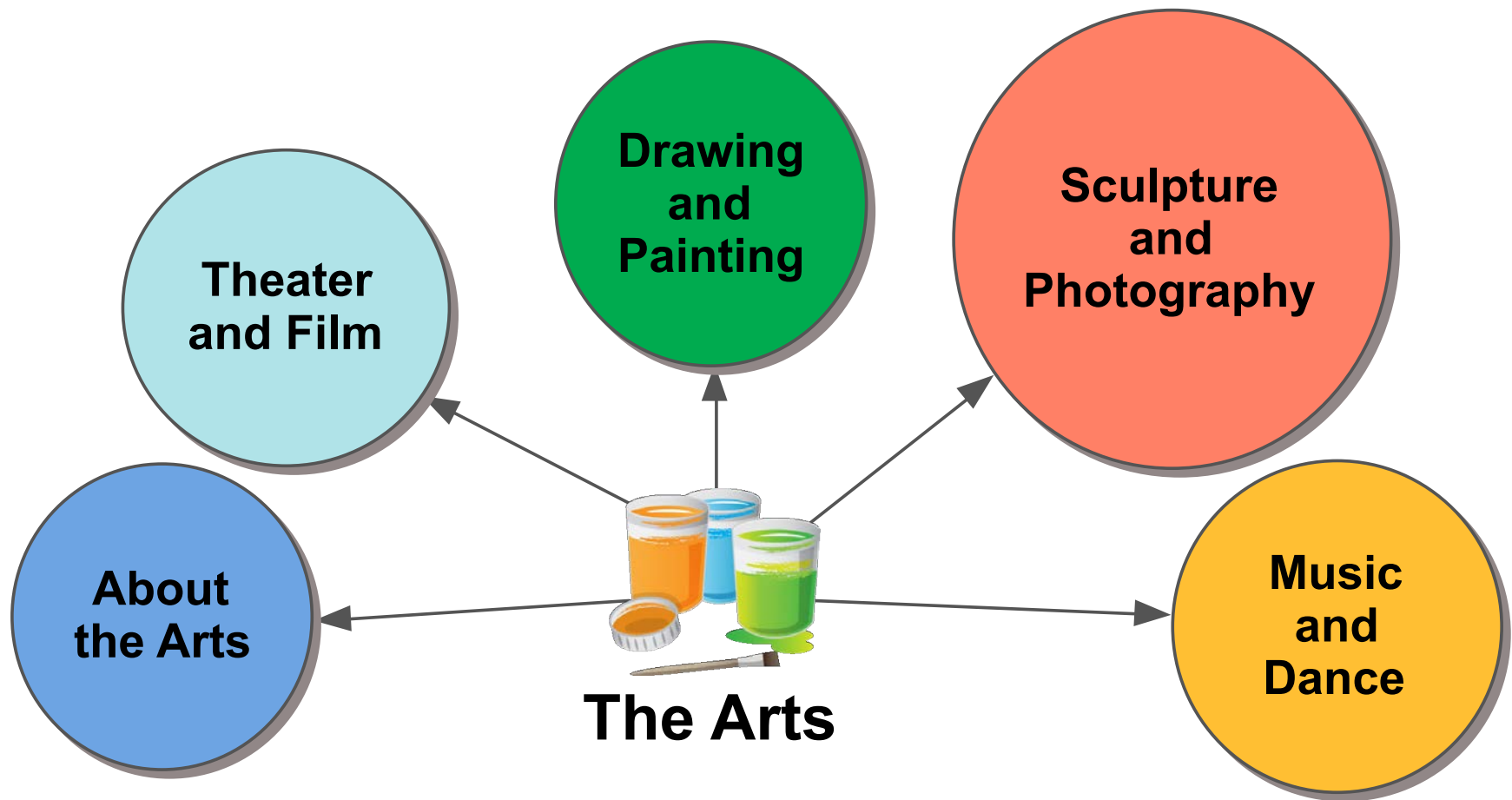


The Arts— Drawing and Painting



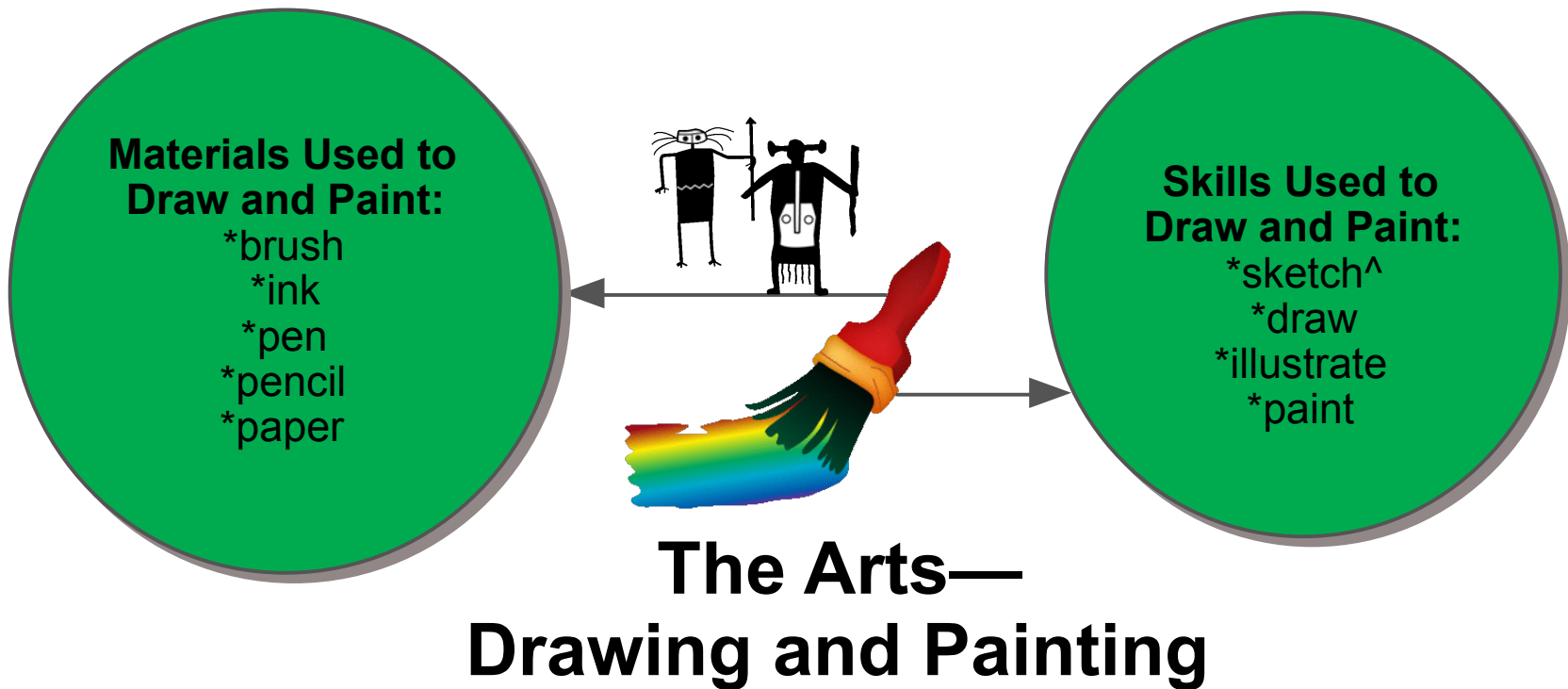
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Drawing and Painting

Do you like to draw or paint? There are many different materials used in drawing and painting to make unique works of art. Artist also uses different skills to create art that is original.



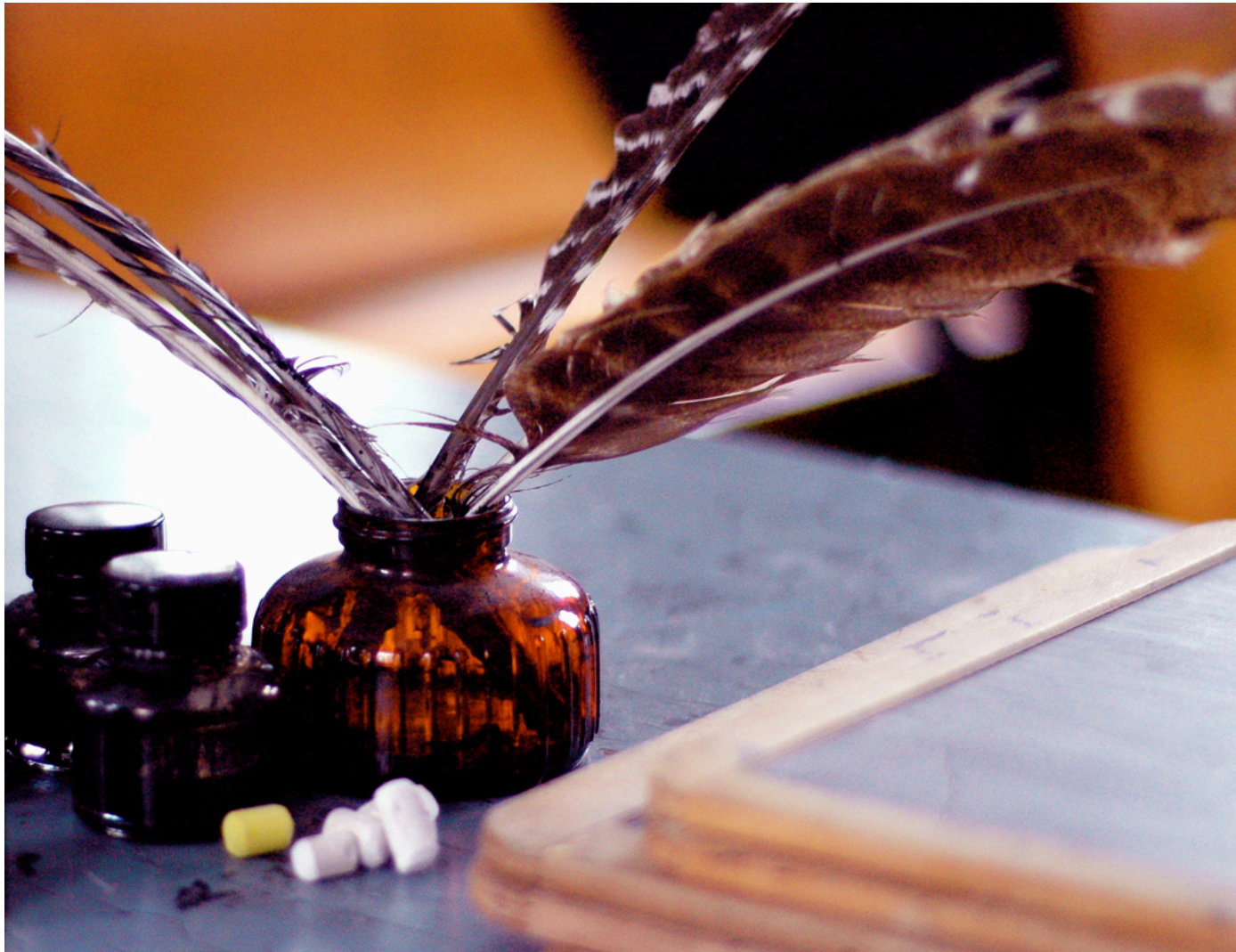
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brush (brush)



ink

(ink)

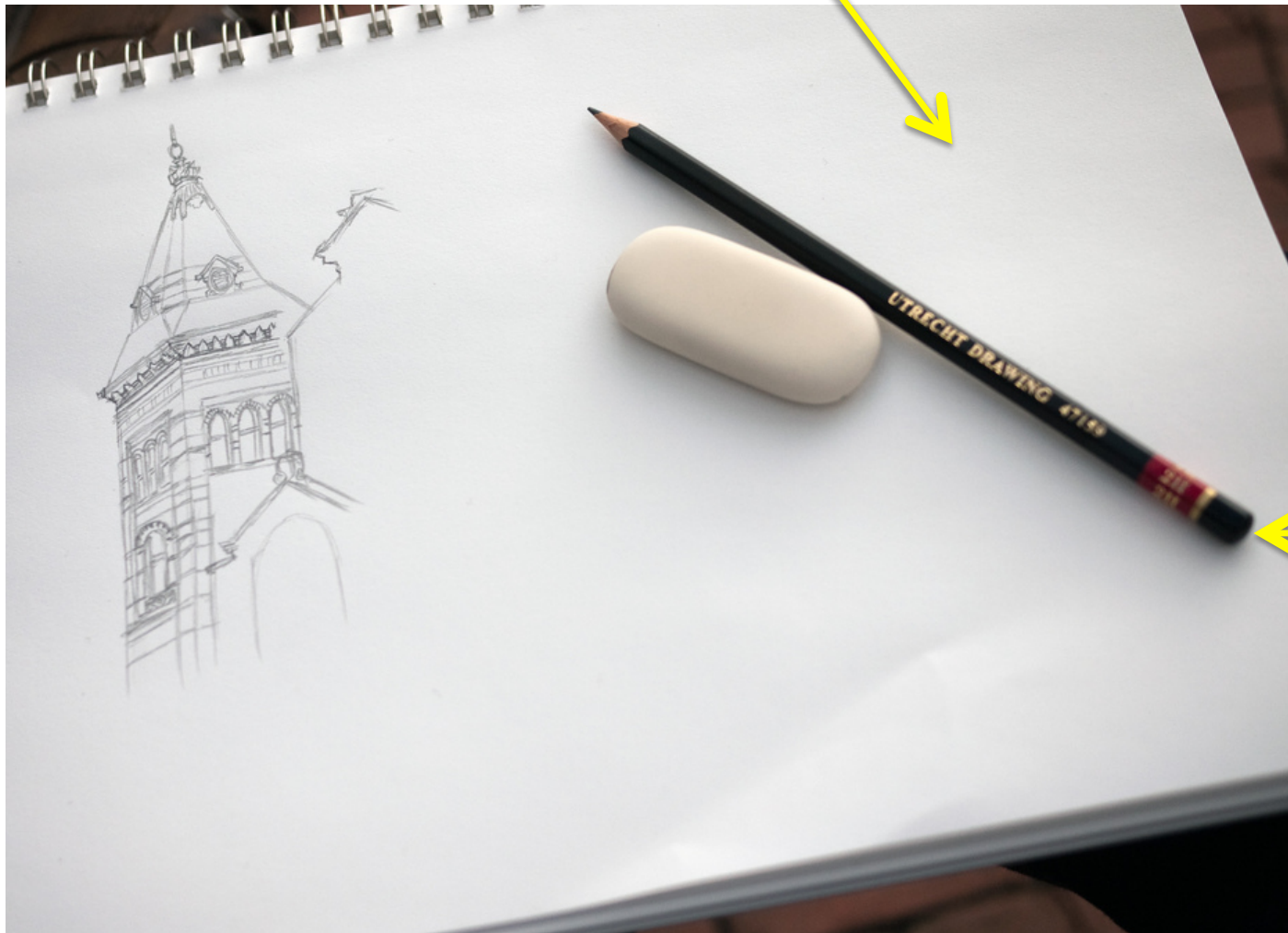


Ink is a liquid used for writing and drawing.

pen (pen)



paper
(pa·per)



pencil
(pen·cil)

sketch (sketch)

A *sketch* is a rough drawing.



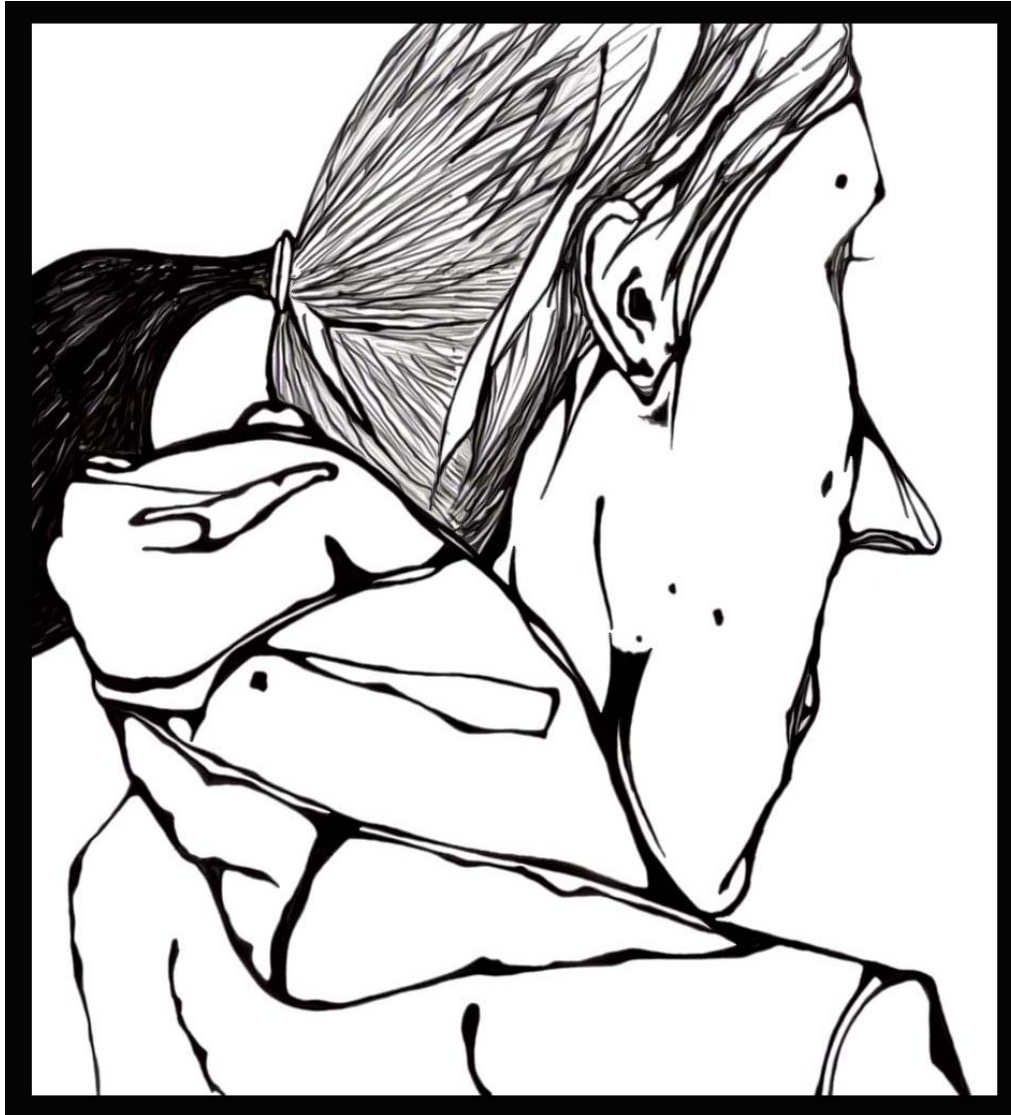
draw

(draw)



illustrate

(il·lus·trate)



To *illustrate* is to provide a book or story with pictures.

paint (paint)



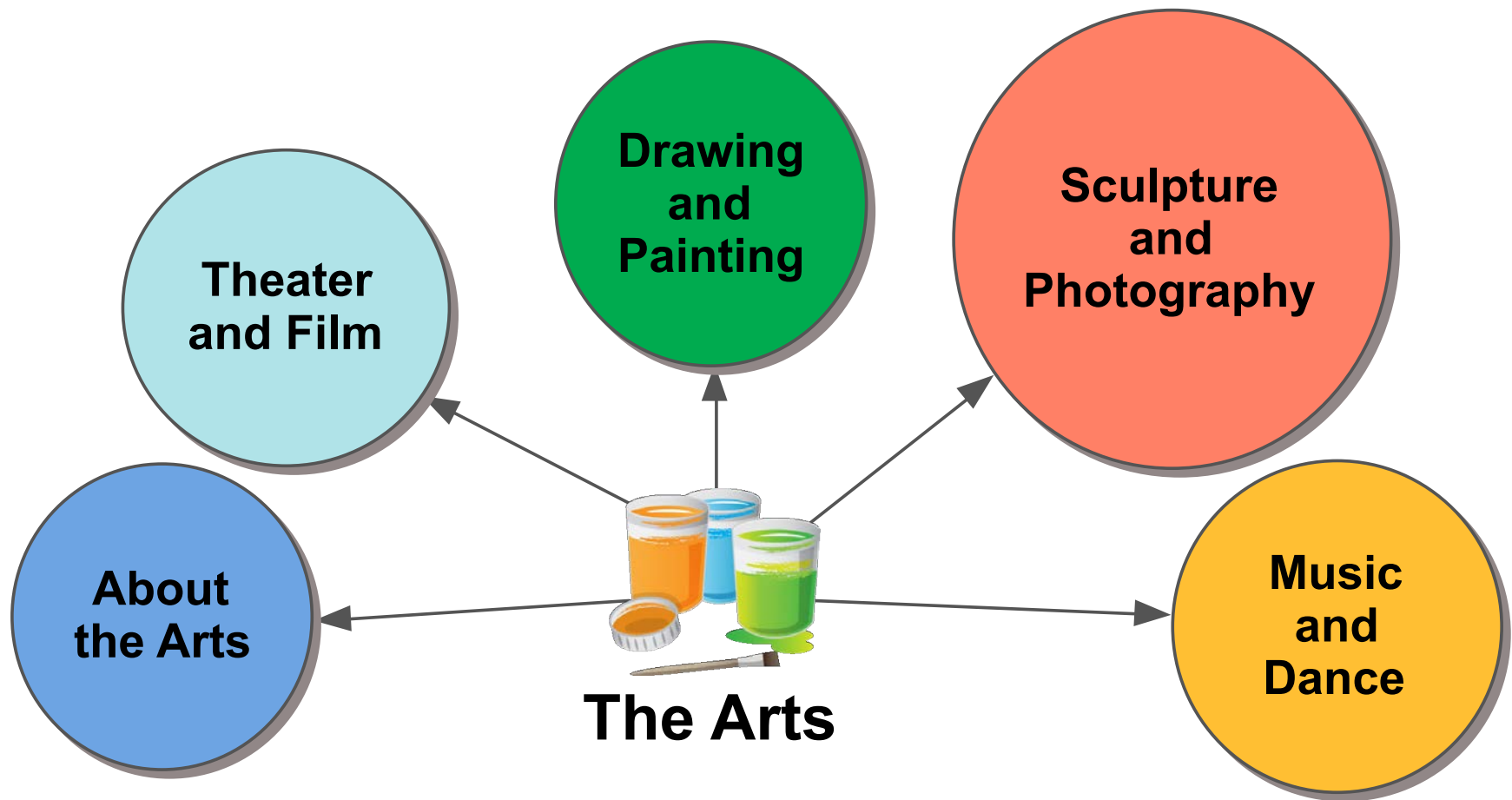


The Arts— Sculpture and Photography



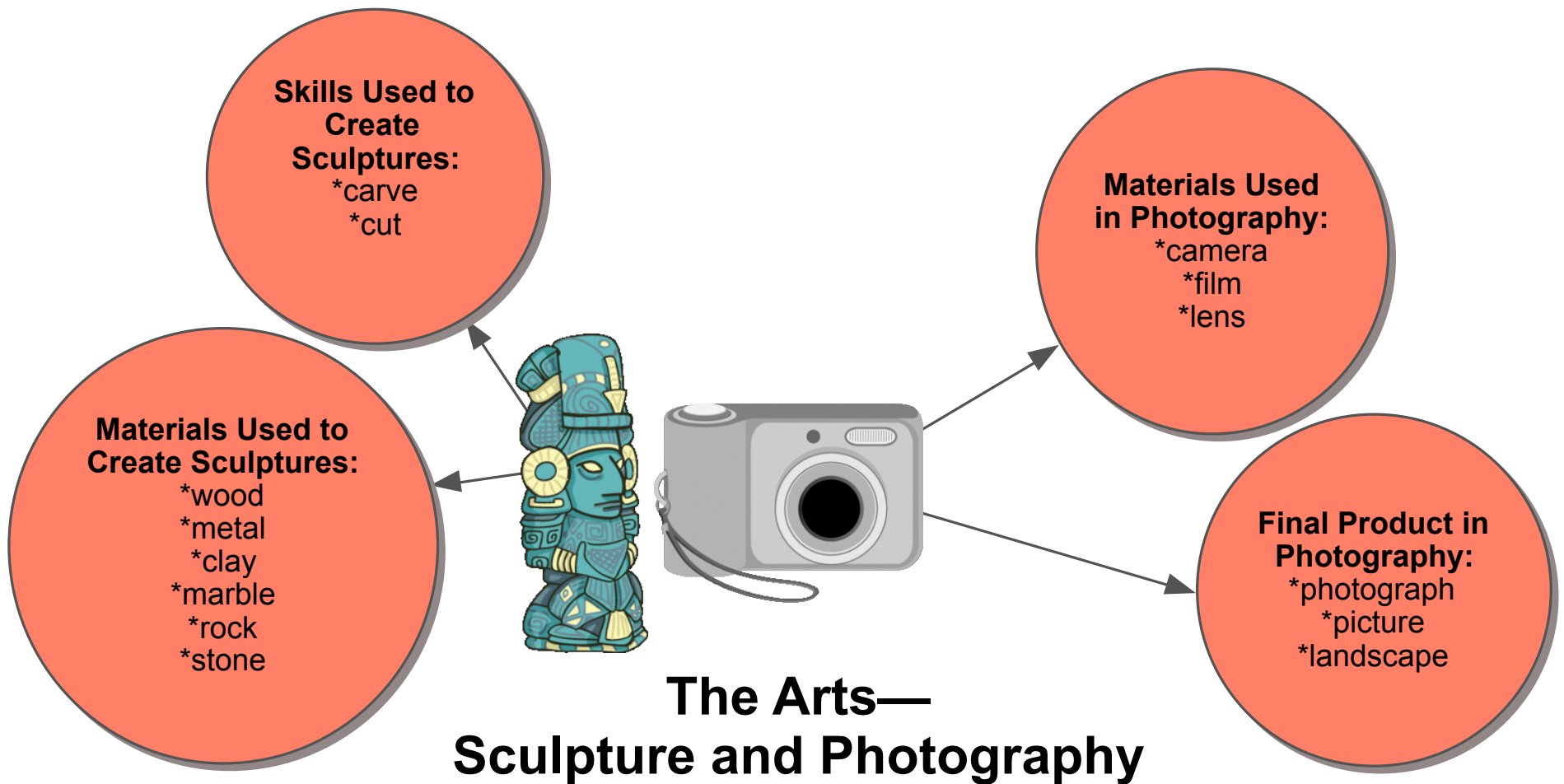
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Sculpture and Photography

Some people love to take pictures and other people love to build things with their hands. Sculpture and photography are very different art forms. Each art form uses different materials and they create different final products.



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wood (wood)

Materials Used to Create Sculptures



metal (met·al)



clay

(clay)



marble

(mar·ble)



stone
(stone)



rock
(rock)

carve (carve)



cut (cut)



camera

(cam·era)



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lens

(lens)



A *lens* is a clear, curved piece of material used to magnify an object.

photograph

(pho·to·graph)



picture

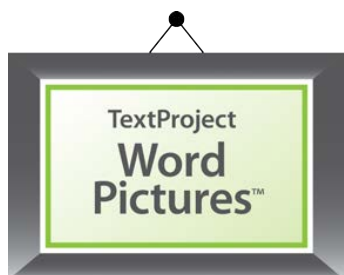
(pic·ture)

landscape

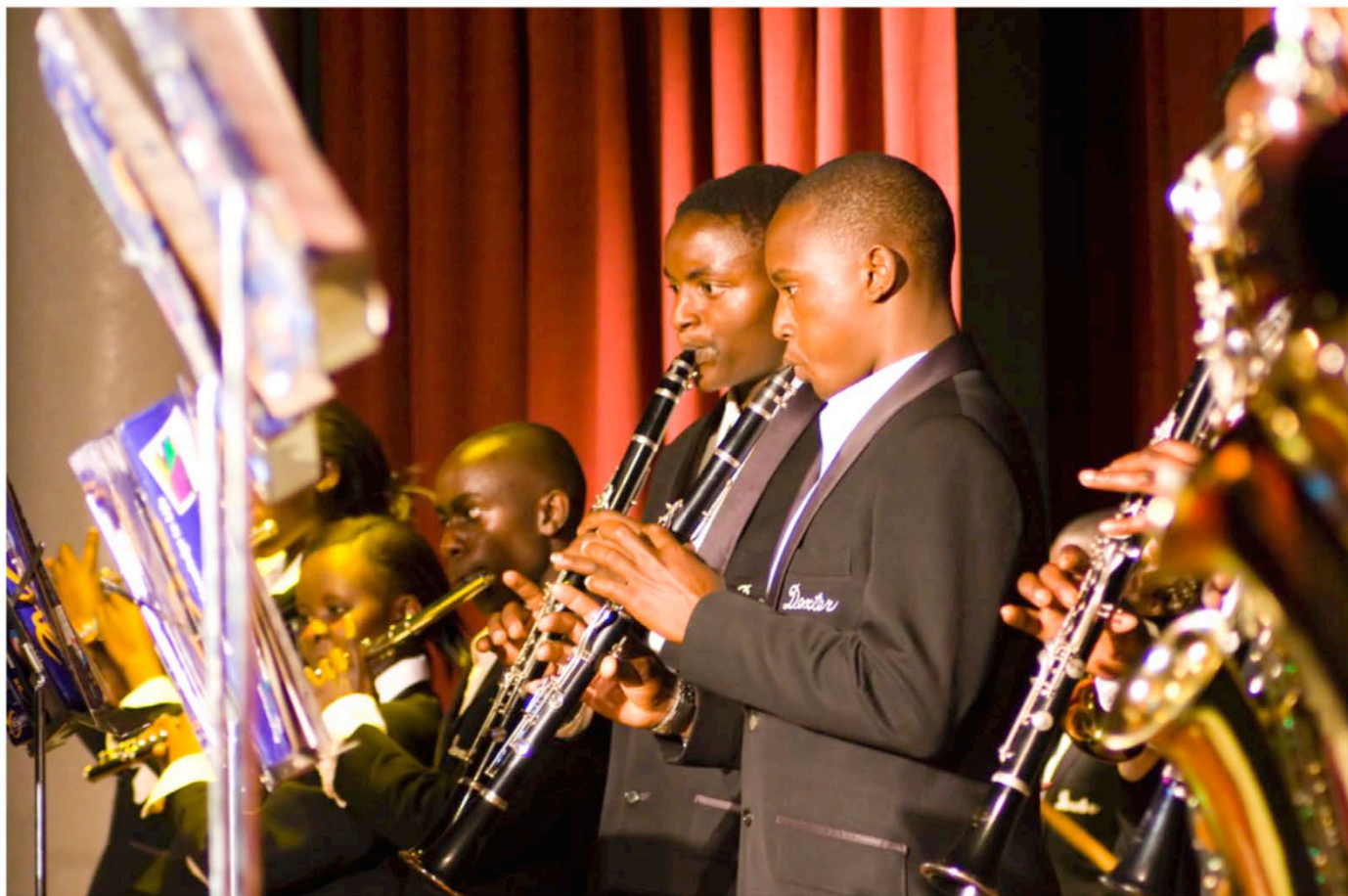
(land·scape)

A landscape is a picture of nature.



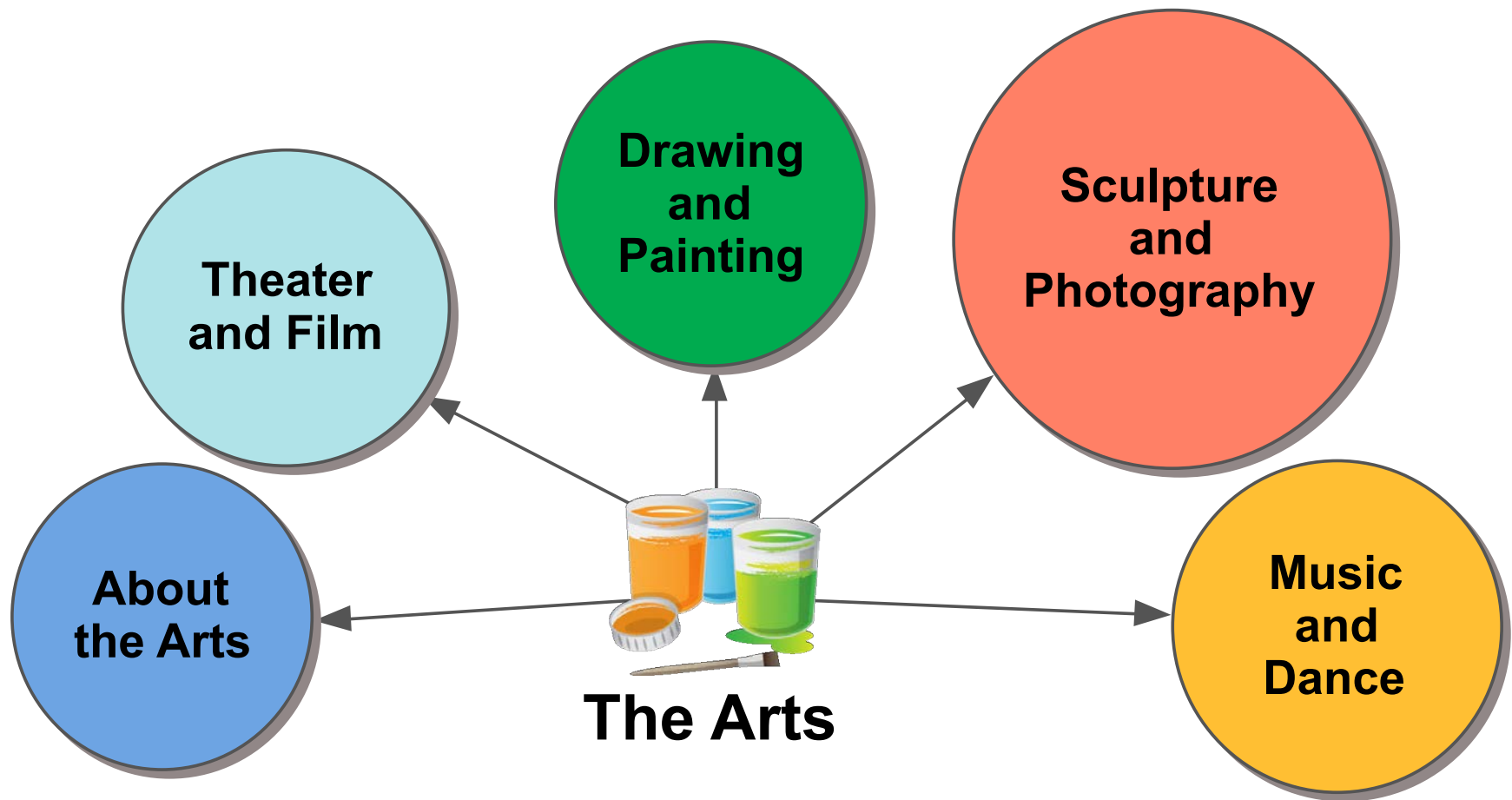


The Arts— Music and Dance



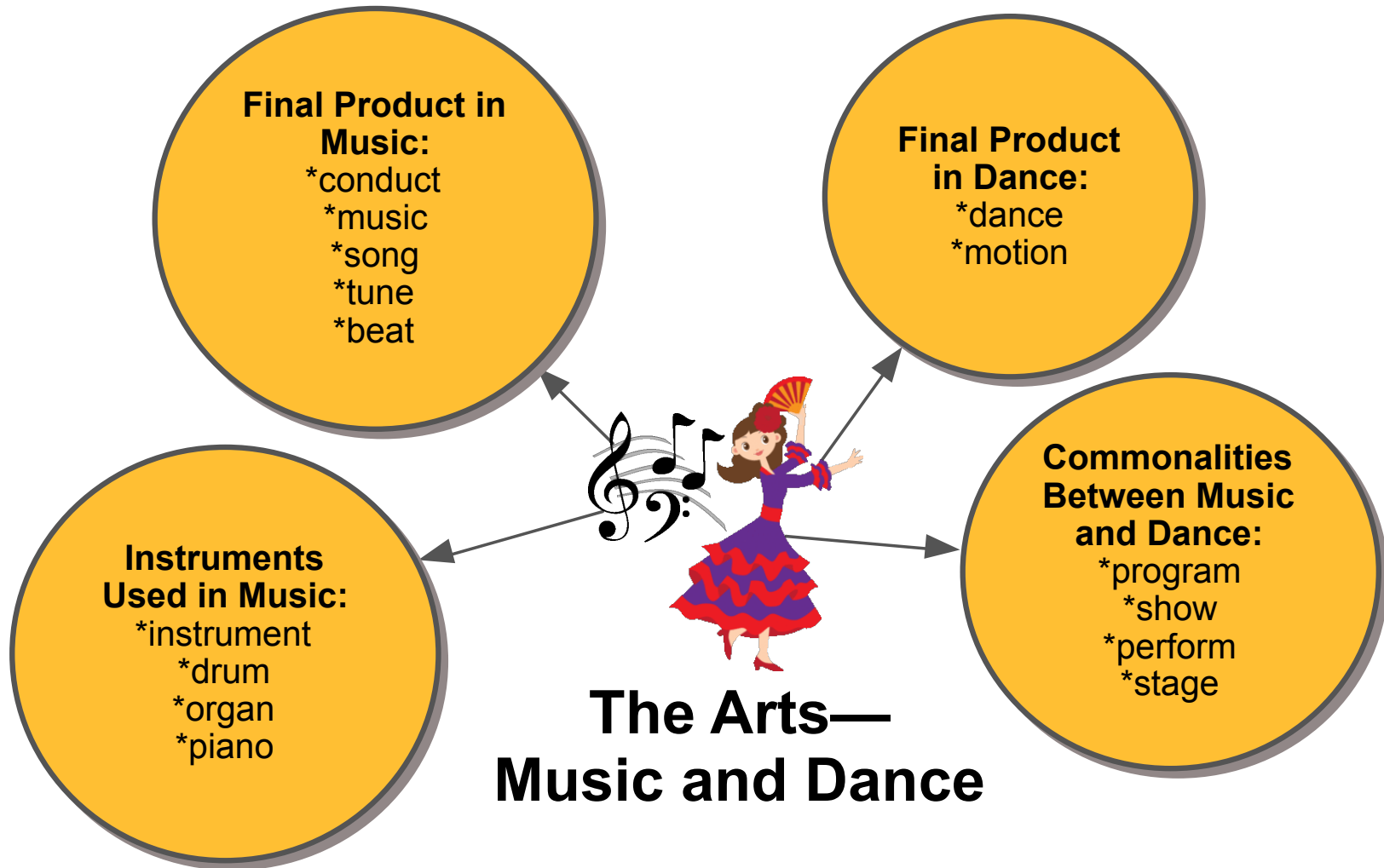
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Music and Dance

Do you play an instrument or dance? Music and dance allow people to express themselves through sound and movement. Although both art forms are very different from each other, they also share commonalities.



instrument

(in·stru·ment)



drum

(drum)



organ (or·gan)



piano

(pi·a·no)



conduct

(con·duct)





music
(mu·sic)

song
(song)



tune
(tune)

beat (beat)

A *beat* is a pattern of sound used in music and dance.



dance

(dance)



motion

(mo·tion)

Motion is the act or instance of moving the body or its parts.



show (show)

program (pro·gram)

A *show* or *program* is a event where people play music, act in a play, or dance.



perform (per·form)

To *perform* means to do something that takes skill. Musicians and dancers perform in front of people.



stage (stage)

A *stage* is a platform that musicians and dancers perform on.

