

Visual Arts

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The Great Wave off Kanagawa is a famous woodblock printing by the Japanese artist Hokusai. It was published in 1832 as the first in Hokusai's series 36 Views of Mount Fuji and is his most famous work. It depicts an enormous wave threatening boats near the Japanese prefecture of Kanagawa; Mount Fuji can be seen in the background. The wave is probably not intended to be a tsunami, but a regular ocean wave created by the wind. Like the other prints in the series, it depicts the area around Mount Fuji under particular conditions.



Image: <http://bit.ly/2hVODuk>

Copies of the print hang at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, the British Museum in London, and in Claude Monet's house in Giverny, France.

The logo for the surf brand Quiksilver is based on this artwork:



Image: <http://bit.ly/2Af3hmY>

Activity

Complete the table by listing the similarities and differences in the artworks.

Image	Similarities	Differences
 Image http://bit.ly/2n8p9NW		
 Image http://bit.ly/2jrUmpY		
 Image http://bit.ly/2hV0Duk		