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CLASS WORK

Look at the Dali's painting below and try to seize the meaning of it, then do the following activities.



Swans reflecting elephants

1. Answer the following questions:

Which period of Dali's art evolution does this painting belong to?

According to which features of this painting did you deduce it?

The painting is characterized by very precise drawings as well as very indefinite themes: why? What did Dalí aim to with this strategy?

What deeper meaning did Dalí intend to convey in your opinion?

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2. Try to understand whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F).

- a. Dalì's family was very poor.
- b. During the Second World War Dalì sided with Communists.
- c. Dalì did not agree with other Surrealists on some important points.
- d. Gala was a very important component of Dalì's life.
- e. Dalì was attracted only by painting.
- f. The Persistence of Memory is an impressionistic painting.
- g. Dalì never dealt with religious matter in his works.
- h. Dalì was a very popular artist.
- i. Dalì travelled all around the world during his life.
- j. Dalì was a sober and boring man.

3. Complete the sentences by matching the phrases on the left to the phrases on the right.

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| 1. Dalì clashed with Surrealists, | a. because of the Second World War. |
| 2. Dalì loved dreams, | b. because of their idealizing art. |
| 3. Dalì escaped to America, | c. because of his originality. |
| 4. Dalì was very appreciated in his time, | d. because of political reasons. |
| 5. Dalì did not appreciate his contemporaries, | e. because they were his main source of inspiration. |