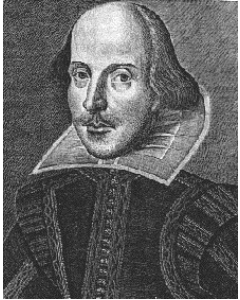
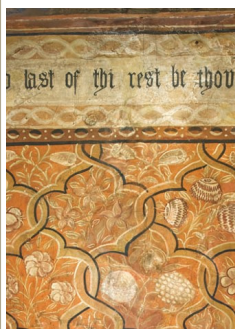


Painted Room

William Shakespeare (1564—1616) was one of the greatest writers of play and poems.

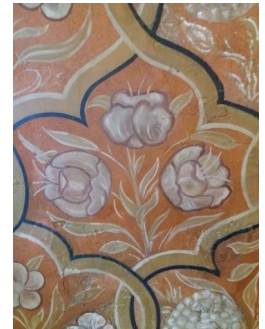


The **Painted Room** in Oxford is all that remains of the Crown Tavern where Shakespeare is said to have stayed on several occasions.



The **Painted Room** is all that remains of the Crown Tavern, with its extensive 16th century wall paintings which remained preserved behind later wooden panelling until they were uncovered in the 1920s.

The main part of the decorative painting consists of an interlacing **trellis pattern**, which encloses **designs of flowers and fruit** against a terracotta coloured background.

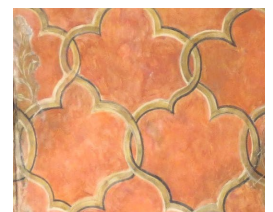


Look carefully at the decorative design.

Have a go at creating your own design:

Think about:

1. What repeating shape will the design be based on? - will it be a shape that tessellates or overlaps?
2. Whether it will emulate the existing Painted Room or could be a unique design? - will it also illustrate flowers and fruit or something else (e.g. animals, trees etc.)
3. What colours you may use within your design? - will they be subtle tones or bright?



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